

7-3-22 Facilitator - The Power of Scripture, 2 Timothy 3:14-17 Tim Rice

1. **Launchers: Who introduced you to God?**

2. **Worship: Read Hebrews 1:1-4 and then John 1:1-5, 14. Respond in Worship.**

3. **Sermon Reflection: The Power of Scripture – 2 Timothy 3:14-17, 1 Thessalonians 2:13**

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF GOD SPEAKING

- Who offers the most profitable, helpful, and significant influence?
- How do live as if God unknowable? Why? What do you know that you like? Don't like?

HOW WE HAVE WEAPONIZED WORDS

- How can words be powerful for "construction"? "destruction"?
- When have you been hurt by words? Helped by words?
- Who have you hurt most often with your words? Helped most often with your words?

THE WORD MADE FLESH, TO SAVE

- Why is it significant that Jesus *is* the Word made flesh?
- What would change in your life – your thinking, values, identity, and purpose – if you were sure that you know what God thinks?
- *Where are you craving assurances? To know what's true? How could it help you, to know what God is like, what He values and what He's done to save people like us?*

4. **Kingdom Centered Prayer:**

1. Worship the LORD, God Almighty that He is a God who speaks. Praise Him, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for how He has revealed Himself to us when we did not deserve to know any more about Him.

2. How have you lived unimpressed and suspicious of what little you know about God? Confess your pride and unbelief to Jesus – *God who became human to save sinners like us* – asking Him to save you and change you.

3. Give thanks to Jesus for His trustworthiness as God in human form. Thank Him for being faithful and obedient to the Father's voice (where we have failed) and dying to atone for our guilt (where we never could).

4. Who do you know that lives with suspicion or doubt in God's Word? Pray for them, asking the Lord to persuade them of the truth of all He has said, and of the goodness of His heart, revealed in Christ.

5. Ask the Holy Spirit to bear in you His fruit of love and faithfulness. Pray for His help to trust all that God has promised you in His Word and for energy to learn and follow all He has commanded.

5. **Mission: Reflection is key to spiritual health. Let's help our friends this week.**

- **Who do you listen to?**
- **Who influences you?**
- **Why do you pick them?**
- **Is God one of your options?**

6. **Jesus From Others**

Close your time together in letting each person share something they came to love about Jesus from something someone in the group shared during your time together.

- What do you love more about Jesus from what someone shared during our CG tonight?