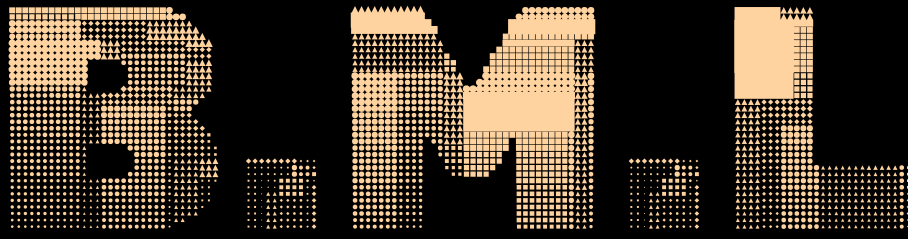


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DISCIPLESHIP JOURNEY

BECOMING MORE LIKE CHRIST: LIVING BY THE WORD

Anchor Scriptures: 2 Timothy 3:16–17 NLT, 2 Timothy 3:16–17 NIV,
Joshua 1:8 NIV, Hebrews 4:12

CORE TRUTH:

A mature disciple does not build life on _____, _____, or _____, but on the unchanging _____ of God's Word.

The question is not: "What do I _____?"

The question is: "What has _____ already _____?"

Movement 1: THE BIBLE IS GOD'S VOICE TO HIS PEOPLE

2 Timothy 3:16–17 NLT

"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to _____ us what is true and to make us realize what is _____ in our lives. It _____ us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is _____. God uses it to prepare and _____ his people to do every good work."

2 Timothy 3:16–17 NIV

"All Scripture is _____-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in _____, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly _____ for every good work."

What is meant by "inspired" and "God-breathed"?

God is the ultimate _____ of Scripture.

Although God used human writers, His _____ guided what they wrote.

The Bible carries God's _____ because it comes from Him.

THE AUTHORITY BELONGS TO GOD

Because God is _____,

His Word is _____.

Because God cannot _____,

His Word is _____.

Because God never _____,

His Word is _____.

The Bible reveals God's:

- _____
- _____
- _____

If God is my _____,

Then His Word becomes my final _____!

Movement 2: INFORMATION VS. TRANSFORMATION

Joshua 1:8 NIV

"Keep this Book of the Law always on your _____; meditate on it _____ and _____, so that you may be careful to do _____ written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful."

What are we instructed to do with God's Word?

_____ on it day and night, _____ everything written in it, and _____ according to it.

MEDITATION MEANS...

- Thinking _____ on God's Word
- _____ God's Word
- _____ through Scripture
- Applying it _____

Reading the Word of God fills your _____.

Meditation _____ your mind.

Obedience changes your _____

Movement 3: BUILDING BIBLICAL CONVICTIONS

A mature disciple asks,

"What does _____ say?"

Convictions vs. Preferences

A preference is something I _____.

Conviction is something I will _____ by.

Our convictions should be shaped by God's _____, not my _____.
Truth remains the _____ even when culture _____.
Our decisions should honor _____ before they please _____.

Movement 4: THE WORD PRODUCES STABILITY

Hebrews 4:12

“For the word of God is _____ and _____. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing _____ and _____, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the _____.”

GOD'S WORD IS:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- Able to expose our _____

God's Word provides _____.

God's Word gives _____.

God's Word provides _____.

God's Word gives _____.

God's Word strengthens our _____.

God's Word _____ us during difficult seasons.

Movement 5: LIVING WHAT YOU LEARN

A mature disciple is not just a _____ of the Word but a _____ of the Word.

What's the true test of authority?

The true test of authority comes when there's _____.

Declaration:

God's Word is my _____.

I build my life upon His _____.

His Word directs my _____.

His truth shapes my _____.

I will meditate on His Word _____ and _____.

I choose _____ over opinion.

I will not merely _____ the Word—I will _____ it.

As I live by God's Word, I become more like _____ every day.

AFTER SERVICE REFLECTION:

When you have to make an important decision, what's your natural tendency? Do you usually go with your feelings, seek advice from others, or search God's Word first?

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Can you think of a time when God's Word challenged something you believed or the way you were living? What changed?

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What's one example of a preference, and what's one example of a biblical conviction? Why is it important to know the difference?

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AFTER SERVICE REFLECTION:

Why do you think it is sometimes difficult to obey God's Word even when we know what it says?

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If God's Word is truly your final authority, what is one area of your life where you can intentionally apply it this week? What specific action will you take?

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