

Teacher's Toolbox: The Sufficiency Of Scripture

2 Timothy 3:16

Essential Question: How can the teacher have confidence that Scripture is sufficient?

Aim: There is NO circumstance where the Word of God is not able to support, strengthen, or sustain a life it is applied to!

I. The Origin of Scripture: God Speaks!

“All Scripture is God-breathed...”

1. What does “God-breathed” suggest about where Scripture comes from? How does this practically impact our teaching?

2. How does the phrase “all Scripture” affect how we view both Old and New Testament writings? How does this practically impact our teaching?

3. Why is divine origin essential for Scripture’s authority? How does this practically impact our teaching?

- How should believing that Scripture comes from God shape the way you listen to, read, or submit to it?
- Are there parts of Scripture you treat as optional or less authoritative? Why?
- What habits might change if you truly view Scripture as God’s own communication?

II. The Operation of Scripture: God Steers!

“...and is profitable...”

1. Why might teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training be listed together? How does this practically impact our teaching?

2. How do these functions move a person from error to maturity? How does this practically impact our teaching?

3. What does this list reveal about Scripture's role in everyday life—not just church life? How does this practically impact our teaching?

- Which of these operations do you tend to resist most (rebuke, correction, training)? Why?
- When was the last time Scripture confronted or redirected you?

III. The Outcome of Scripture: God Sculpts!

“...for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, and for training in righteousness.”

1. How does Scripture shape not only knowledge, but character? How does this practically impact our teaching?

2. Why is “training in righteousness” an ongoing process rather than a one-time event? How does this practically impact our teaching?

3. How does this verse prepare for Paul's statement about maturity and readiness in verse 17? How does this practically impact our teaching?

- What would it look like for Scripture to be your primary guide for righteousness?

Closing Reflection Question

If Scripture truly shapes righteous living, what needs to change in how I engage with it?