

“Letters to Timothy” (Part 6)
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2 Tim. 3:14 But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it,

Timothy first learned the Word of God from his Grandma and Mom. They were missionaries to him!

2 Tim. 1:5 I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

A key to sharing the gospel with someone is having a relationship with the person to whom you bring the message of Christ Jesus.

“I don’t care how much you know until I know how much you care.”

Many times our best mission opportunities are right under our noses: in our families and among our closest friends.

2 Tim. 3:15 and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

The Holy Scriptures impart true “wisdom,” which is faith in the Lord and His promises.

Psalms 111:10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.

The Holy Spirit works through the Bible to bring people to faith in Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 2:8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.

2 Tim. 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, **17** so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

God breathed both His creation and His new creation into being through His Word.

Calling the Bible “inspired” or “breathed out by God” acknowledges that the source is God Himself.

The inspired Word of God has many uses. Here are four of them:

Teaching = Imparting Wisdom
Rebuking = Calling Sinners to Repentance
Correcting = Lives Changed by God’s Word
Training = The Father Disciplining His Children

God’s Word teaches us that 1) we are made righteous through faith in Christ Jesus *AND* 2) we are called to live righteous lives by putting our faith into action.

God’s Word calls you to be who you are!