



Message Outline

Understanding the Bible: Not a Good Book but THE GOD BOOK

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Intro: New series to help us better understand the Bible...

- *Personally*, when the Bible became real to me as a 12-year-old kid...(cf. Heb.4:12).
- *Pastorally*, why I proclaim this Book... (cf. Is.55:10-11).

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- “inspired by God”: literally “God-breathed”.
 - Sacred text of other world religions and the claim of Word of God...
 - What makes the Bible distinct...
 - a) The M_____
 - b) The M_____
- God-breathed and human-inked in inspiration (cf. 2Pet.1:20-21)...
- “profitable”: God’s Word as our “gain”...
 - Ways we “profit” from Scripture:
 - a) _____
 - *God educates us in faith matters, life skills, questions of meaning, etc. thru the Bible
 - b) _____
 - *This Book judges us (Heb.4:12-13)...it will reveal things not right about us!
 - c) _____
 - *God’s rebuking is for our correcting...
 - *Casting our brokenness...
 - d) _____
 - *The hard work of rehab...God’s workout found in His Word!
- “righteousness”: a Book that spells out right and wrong!
- “man of God”: this Book is to mean something different for a believer than an unbeliever...