



## The Word

2 Timothy 3:1–5 (NIV)

*But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. <sup>2</sup> People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, <sup>3</sup> without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, <sup>4</sup> treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— <sup>5</sup> having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with such people.*

2 Timothy 3:14–17 (NIV)

*But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup> and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.*

I. The Word is the compass for the survivalist. (Proverbs 16:25; Psalm 119:105)

2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV)

*All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,*

- The Word shows me what is right — teaching.
- The Word shows me what is wrong — rebuking.
- The Word shows me how to fix the problem - correcting.
- The Word shows me how to stay on the right track — training.

II. The survivalist must trust the reliability of the Word.

1. Manuscript evidence proves the reliability of the Word.

2. Archeology proves the reliability of the Word.

- There have been over 25,000 archeological discoveries that have validated the accuracy of the Word in what it reports.

3. Science proves the reliability of the Word.

- The Bible was the first to tell us that the earth is suspended in space. (Job 26:7)
- The Bible was the first to tell us that the earth is round and not flat. (Isaiah 40:22)
- Over 3,000 fulfilled prophecies found in scripture; a case can be made just from prophecy alone on the inspiration of scripture.

III. The survivalist “turns the pages” of the Word.

Survivalist Challenge in 2017:

- Hear the Word.
- Study the Word.
- Memorize the Word.
- Discuss the Word.
- Share the Word.