

Keep Sound for Life/BIBLE 2 Timothy 3:16-17 July 27, 2025

#### 1. Clarity

Psalm 19:7, Psalm 119:130; 1 Cor 1:2; Gal 1:2; 2 Peter 3:15-16

### 2. Necessity

Romans 10:13-17; 1:19-21; 1:32; 2:14-15; John 14:6; Heb 11:13; Gen 3:15; Matt. 4:4; Deut 29:29; Psalm 1:1-2; 19:1

# 3. Sufficiency

2 Tim 3:15-17; Eph 4:11-12

# 4. Authority

2 Tim 3:16; 2 Peter 1:21; 2 Pet 3:16; 1 Tim 5:18; 1 Cor 14:37

### 5. Inerrancy

2 Sam 7:28; Titus 1:2; Heb 6:16; Psalm 12:6; Proverbs 30:5; Numbers 23:19

Next Week: Learning to trust the Mission John 17:20-26

#### **Questions** for the Community

#### **Personal Reflection**

- 1. What was one new insight or a point that particularly resonated with you from today's sermon on the authority and inerrancy of the Bible?
- 2. The sermon defined the Authority of Scripture as meaning "all the words in Scripture are God's words in such a way that to disbelieve or disobey any word of Scripture is to disbelieve or disobey God" (drawing from 2 Timothy 3:16 and 2 Peter 1:21). In what area of your life do you find it most challenging to fully submit to the Bible's authority, and what makes that particular area difficult?

#### **Group Discussion**

- 3. We discussed how the Bible itself claims to be from God and applies to all aspects of life, not just "faith and practice" (referencing Romans 15:4 and 1 Corinthians 10:11). How does this understanding of the Bible's comprehensive authority challenge the idea that we can pick and choose which parts of Scripture apply to us?
- 4. The Inerrancy of Scripture means "Scripture in the original manuscripts does not affirm anything that is contrary to fact," because God "cannot lie" (Titus 1:2, Hebrews 6:18). How does this foundational truth about God's character and His Word strengthen your confidence and trust when reading about biblical history, miracles, or even difficult passages?
- 5. The sermon touched on potential "challenges to inerrancy," and the importance of digging in with prayer and study. Have you ever encountered a passage in the Bible that seemed to have an error or contradiction? How did you respond, and what did you learn through that process?

#### **Plan of Action**

- 6. The denial of inerrancy can lead to us making "our minds a higher standard of truth than God's word itself." How can we guard against approaching the Bible with a skeptical or judgmental mindset, and instead cultivate a posture of humility and eager reception to God's infallible truth?
- 7. Authority and ilnerrancy were highlighted on Sunday, which of these other attributes (Clarity, Necessity, or Sufficiency) do you find most encouraging or impactful for your daily walk with Christ, and why?