

God's Word for Direction

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1 Tim 3:10-17

Intro

Story of 2 Bible Readers

Three thoughts about how to approach Bible

Approach the Bible as God's Word

Mat 5:17-19; Luk 24:27, 44-45; John 5:39-40; 1:1, 14, 18

- Jesus the ultimate, final, full Word of God
- Jesus regarded Bible as Spoken by God
- Possible to study Bible but miss the point

The Point

- Listening to, Hear ...
- Find, Meet, Know ...
- Follow ...
- A Person ... Jesus

Approach the Bible in Light its Purpose

Bible given for a reason

- That reason primarily practical – How to Live

“Useful for” ... “so that”

- Negative Side – We need correcting
- Positive Side – Training, Equipping

Approach the Bible with Other Christians

- Jesus Taught Disciples how to Read
- Paul and Timothy's grandmother
- Us too ... Deeply influenced by others

Can't separate truth and life

- Convinced because of who taught
- Individual Responsibility – Yes!
- Learn and “hear” together