

SERMON GUIDE

# STICK WITH THE SCRIPTURES

2 Timothy 3:1-17 | Pastor Tim Prince

March 5, 2023

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## SERMON NOTES

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OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

### THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Gal. 6:1 (Church Life)  
Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted.

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**Conversation Questions**

The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

- Scripture that stands out to you while you read
- Observations you are making about a passage
- Applications that connect the verses to your real life and relationships
- Prayer that invites God to participate in all that you do

**Getting to Know Me:** Have you ever wanted to trust the Bible about something but found it difficult to do? Tell about it.

**Note About the Passage:** This is a letter from the apostle Paul to a young man named Timothy. In verse 6, Paul is referring to the practice of some religious charlatans who would wait until they knew men had left home for the day and then go door to door preying on vulnerable and troubled women. Jannes and Jambres (v.8) are the names of the magicians in Pharaoh's court that Jewish tradition says opposed Moses and were able to produce some "signs" of their own to make Moses look foolish.

**Read:** 2 Timothy 3:1-17

**S:** What verses, phrases, words, or feelings stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated," surprising, or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?

**O:** What do you think it means that people "have the appearance of godliness but deny its power?" (v.5)

**O:** What role can people play in discouraging our faith and trust in the scriptures?

**O:** What are the reasons that Paul gives Timothy to "stick with the scriptures"?

**A:** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?

**A:** Is there any area or relationship in your life you might say you have the appearance of godliness but are denying its power?

**A:** Are there people in your life who you find discourage your faith or trust in scripture? Are there any limits to these relationships that would be beneficial for your personal faith?

**A:** What keeps you from sticking with the scripture?

**A:** What doubts, concerns, or questions do you have right now that keep you from trusting the Bible? How do you feel about reading and following the Bible right now? What kinds of help would you need right now to take your next step with God's word?

**P:** Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, and forgive you for the ways you have failed. Ask him to provide the direction and strength that you need.