

1  **Sermon**

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2  **2 Timothy 3:16-17**


¹⁶All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

3  **Proverbs 12:1**

"Whoever loves discipline loves knowledge, but he who hates correction is stupid."

4  **2 Timothy 4:1-2**

¹In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: ²Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.

5  **2 Timothy 4:3-5**

³For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. ⁴They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. ⁵But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

6  **Ezekiel 33:30-33**

³⁰ "As for you, son of man, your countrymen are talking together about you by the walls and at the doors of the houses, saying to each other, 'Come and hear the message that has come from the LORD.' ³¹ My people come to you, as they usually do, and sit before you to listen to your words, but they do not put them into practice. With their mouths they express devotion, but their hearts are greedy for unjust gain. ³² Indeed, to them you are nothing more than one who sings love songs with a beautiful voice and plays an instrument well, for they hear your words but do not put them into practice. ³³ "When all this comes true—and it surely will—then they will know that a prophet has been among them."

7  **2 Timothy 4:2**

"Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction."

8  **Hebrews 2:1, 3:12**

^{2:1}We must pay more careful attention, therefore, to what we have heard, so that we do not drift away.

^{3:12}See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God.


9  **James 5:19-20**

¹⁹My brothers, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring him back, ²⁰remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of his way will save him from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

10  **Hebrews 3:13, 10:39**

^{3:13}But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.

^{10:39}But we are not of those who shrink back and are destroyed, but of those who believe and are saved.

11  **Hebrews 6:4,6**

⁴It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have shared in the Holy Spirit,
⁶if they fall away, to be brought back to repentance, because to their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace.

12 **Luke 9:62**

⁶²Jesus replied, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God."

13 **Matthew 5:13**

¹³"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled by men.

14 **Revelations 2:4, 3:16**

^{2:4}Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken your first love.

^{3:16}So, because you are lukewarm—neither hot nor cold—I am about to spit you out of my mouth.

15 **Jeremiah 2:19**

¹⁹ Your wickedness will punish you;
 your backsliding will rebuke you.
 Consider then and realize
 how evil and bitter it is for you
 when you forsake the LORD your God and have no awe of me,"
 declares the Lord, the LORD Almighty.

16 **Jeremiah 2:5, 2:11**

⁵ This is what the LORD says:
 "What fault did your fathers find in me, that they strayed so far from me?
 They followed worthless idols
 and became worthless themselves.
¹¹ Has a nation ever changed its gods?
 (Yet they are not gods at all.)
 But my people have exchanged their Glory for worthless idols.

17 **Jeremiah 2:13, 2:19**

¹³ "My people have committed two sins:
 They have forsaken me, the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns,
 broken cisterns that cannot hold water.
¹⁹ Your wickedness will punish you; your backsliding will rebuke you. Consider then and realize how evil and bitter it is for you
 when you forsake the LORD your God and have no awe of me, "declares the Lord,
 the LORD Almighty.

18 **Jeremiah 2:32, 2:34-35**

³² Does a maiden forget her jewelry, a bride her wedding ornaments? Yet my people have forgotten me, days without number.
³⁴Yet in spite of all this
³⁵ you say, 'I am innocent; he is not angry with me.' But I will pass judgment on you because you say, 'I have not sinned.'

19 **1 Peter 4:17-18**

¹⁷For it is time for judgment to begin with the family of God; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸And, "If it is hard for the righteous to be saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

20 **Jeremiah 5:30-31**

- 30 "A horrible and shocking thing
has happened in the land:
31 The prophets prophesy lies,
the priests rule by their own authority,
and my people love it this way.
But what will you do in the end?"

21  **Jeremiah 6:13-14**

- 13 "From the least to the greatest,
all are greedy for gain;
prophets and priests alike,
all practice deceit.
14 They dress the wound of my people
as though it were not serious.
'Peace, peace,' they say,
when there is no peace.

22  **Jeremiah 6:16-17**

- 16 This is what the LORD says:
"Stand at the crossroads and look;
ask for the ancient paths,
ask where the good way is, and walk in it,
and you will find rest for your souls.
But you said, 'We will not walk in it.'
17 I appointed watchmen over you and said,
'Listen to the sound of the trumpet!'
But you said, 'We will not listen.'

23  **1 Timothy 4:16**

- 16 Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will
save both yourself and your hearers.

24  **Jeremiah 9:23-24**

- 23 This is what the LORD says: "Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong
man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, ²⁴ but let him who boasts
boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD, who
exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight," declares
the LORD.

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