

# Timothy & “The Sacred Writings”

## An Ancient And Unshakeable Foundation For A New Year

2 Timothy 1:3-7; 3:1-4:8  
The Lively Oracles of God, Part 1 of 3

There was a Biblical faith that pulsed through three generations: Grandma Lois, her daughter Eunice, and her grandson Timothy (see 1:5-7). That’s why the Apostle confidently reminded this young worker to “continue in what you have learned” (3:14) from Paul’s example (3:10-11) and especially through years of teaching from God’s unchangeable Word. From childhood Timothy had learned from the Sacred Writings a saving wisdom laser-focused on Christ Jesus (3:14-15). In this new year return to this same firm foundation. Celebrate its stability. Recommit to its study. Live in its light.

I. ‘The \_\_\_\_\_ make us \_\_\_\_\_ for salvation. (3:15)

1. They are \_\_\_\_\_ to what something nothing else can (Ps. 19:7).
2. The prophet \_\_\_\_\_ prophesied about this wisdom in 12:3, 10.
3. They bring us back again and again to our \_\_\_\_\_. (Col. 2:2-3)

II. ‘The \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_ for the Church. (3:16-17)

1. In her teaching:
2. In her reproving:
3. In her correction:
4. In her \_\_\_\_\_ in righteousness.

III. ‘The \_\_\_\_\_’ needs to be boldly \_\_\_\_\_ and patiently \_\_\_\_\_. (4:2)

1. How does the Word \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 12:24) among us in 2011?
2. Grow in doctrinal \_\_\_\_\_ and practical \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s Word.
3. Enjoy the means of Grace, and \_\_\_\_\_ in small group study.
4. Consider the case for an essentially literal Bible translation.