

Learning the truth; living the truth

A made-up situation to discuss together.



1. A boy and a girl listen to the Bible with their teacher.



2. The boy spills water and wrongly blames the girl.



3. The boy admits the truth and apologises.



4. The boy helps put matters right.

What can God's Word show this boy? Can putting things right earn salvation?

Build a reply from Paul's reasons

Your task

Use 2 Timothy 3:10–17 to place one sound claim in each space. Leave misleading claims beside the board. Explain your reasons, then answer: Why keep learning the Bible when it can be hard to follow Jesus?

Continue in the truth

2 Timothy 3:10–14 · Place one sound claim here.

Trust the Saviour

2 Timothy 3:15 · Place one sound claim here.

Learn to do good

2 Timothy 3:16–17 · Place one sound claim here.

Use the passage to explain the three reasons together. Optional notes:

Claims to test

Your task

Test these claims against 2 Timothy 3:10–17. Place the sound claims on your board. These sentences are not Bible quotations.

A God-given Scripture teaches, corrects and trains His people for good works.

B Timothy should continue in the truth he learned despite opposition and deception.

C Scripture makes salvation known through faith in Christ Jesus.

D If following Jesus is hard, His message must be false.

E Knowing enough Bible answers earns God's forgiveness.

F Being forgiven means I need not be truthful.

Read Paul's reasons

2 Timothy 3:10–17 · Christian Standard Bible

¹⁰ But you have followed my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, patience, love, and endurance,

¹¹ along with the persecutions and sufferings that came to me in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra. What persecutions I endured—and yet the Lord rescued me from them all.

¹² In fact, all who want to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted.

¹³ Evil people and impostors will become worse, deceiving and being deceived.

¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed. You know those who taught you,

¹⁵ and you know that from infancy you have known the sacred Scriptures, which are able to give you wisdom for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

¹⁶ All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness,

¹⁷ so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

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Memory with understanding

Read the whole verse and its reference together.



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2 Timothy 3:16, CSB

Think about the purpose in verse 17:

God's Word equips His servant for every good work.

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