

# Tuesday Devotional

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We continue our series on growing in grace by studying God's Word and how He reveals Himself to us. Have you ever wondered why most Bibles have on the front of them the title, the *holy* Scriptures, the *holy* Word of God, or the *holy* Bible? This title on our Bibles is to emphasize the first characteristic of the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament. When we describe the Bible as holy, what are we meaning? If you remember from our study on the attributes of God, we discussed the holiness of God, and how he is set apart in His perfection. God's Word, because it is God's very word (2 Timothy 3:16), is also holy. It is also set a part because of its perfection. Throughout history we have books that contain history, poetry, and even great wisdom. Yet, no book can be compared to the Bible because of its holy nature. The Bible alone is the written Word of God. The Bible alone is the revelation of our holy God. The Bible is full of holy teaching describing our holy God, what our holy God has done for us, and how we are to respond to in holy living to our holy God.

What does this mean for us? How does the holy nature of God's word affect us? The Bible alone, because of its holy nature, is the only rule which God has given to us to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him forever. The ability to know God, to know salvation in Jesus Christ, and how to live a life honoring to God (by the Holy Spirit), all depends on God's truth in His Word. Many people have tried to find other avenues of truth, yet these have led to error, darkness, and even death. We must look to God's holy, set apart, sanctified Word to guide us through this life. As the Psalmist describes, "*Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.*" (Psalm 119:105).

Let us lean heavily upon the Word of God by studying it, meditating upon it, and praying through it. As we see in 2 Peter 3:17, "*You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.*" During this time of this pandemic, it is easy to feel unstable because of the uncertainty of the truth. Yet, those who believe and rest upon God's holy Word find stability and comfort from the truth that is found within. So then, let us thank the Lord for he has given us anchor of truth, the Holy Scriptures, so that we do not drift away. (Hebrews 2:1)

For Further Study: 1 Timothy 2:7-16; Ephesians 6:10-20