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WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

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The Bible

The world's most popular book is becoming the world's least best seller. For so many books are being bought and many people want to hear what this person or that person has to say about a topic or how we should live our lives. Not only the Bible provides truth, let me tell you the what, when, where, why and how about the Bible.

(REFERENCES) 2 Peter 1:20-21, 2 Timothy 3:16, Hebrews 1:1-2, Romans 15:4, John 16:13, 14, Psalm 119:105, Psalm 119:99, Matthew 5:18, Isaiah 28:9- 10

First, We must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation. For prophecy never had its origin in the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. The Bible is not the ideas of men; it is the word of God. God told those whom He chose what to say and write. God is the source of all the information in the Bible. "All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness." The Bible introduces us to Jesus Christ. In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom he made the universe.

Second, For what purpose were the Scriptures written? Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through endurance and the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. You know how, when you were a small child, you were taught the Holy Scriptures; and it is these that make you wise to accept God's salvation by trusting in Christ Jesus. The Bible tells us that the key to understanding the divine things about God. **Proverbs 2:1-6** "My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding, and if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. For the LORD gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding."

Third, we are not permitted to pick only the scriptures that appeal to us. The Bible instructs us to hear the entire message and for the speaker not to leave out one word that God has for us to hear (**Jeremiah 26:2**). The Holy Spirit will guide us into all truth. He will not speak on his own; He will speak only what He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come. He will bring glory to me [Jesus] by taking from what is mine and making it known to you. The Bible, its not just a book, it is God.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 11:28

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

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