



SOLA: Scriptura

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Speaker: Dr. Mark Batterson

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:16, Gen 2:7, Psalm 119:107, Hebrews 4:12, Romans 12:2

Sermon Overview: All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV)

When we read the Word of God, we are inhaling what God exhaled years ago so that we can breathe/give it out to others. The goal is to be living epistles, giving Scripture to others through our lives, thereby properly representing God.

Sermon Series Questions:

1. What challenges you in understanding and walking out what you're reading in the Bible?
2. Have you ever been quickened/brought back to life by The Word of God? If so, how?
3. What stage of *transformation are you currently in? How are you moving along or are there areas you feel stagnant? * From head (intellect) —> heart (belief) —> gut (instinct)

Sermon Specific Questions:

1. "Whatever keeps me from my Bible is my enemy, however harmless it may appear to be."
A.W. Tozer
What are the distractions that keep you from reading and meditating on the Word of God?
How have you let these distractions convince you that they are more important than

reading and meditating on the Word of God? How will you begin to put the distractions in their proper perspective?

2. “Filter Tradition, Experience and Reason through Scripture.”- Dr. Mark Batterson
What does that mean to you? Share an example of this in your life.
3. “You are the only Bible some people will ever read.” How does that make you feel? Are you a good translation? What will you do to be better or the best translation?

Digging Deeper:

- “Get the Word of God in us so that our lives become an expression of God’s Word.”
Dr. Mark Batterson
 - Download the NCC Daily Bible Reading Plan (see link below), plan the work and then work the plan...How?...
 - ❖ Habit stack- For example, if you drink coffee/tea in the morning, read the bible scripture for the day at the same time.
 - ❖ Change
 - Translations - NIV → KJV → NLT
 - Books - OT → NT
 - Paraphrase Versions - The Message
 - ❖ Pray and meditate on the Word of God

Practical Application:

- House of Prayer - meets Thursdays at 7:14 pm at Capital Turnaround. Join us every Thursday at Capital Turnaround. Visit ncc.re/houseofprayer for more details.
- Upper Room is a new community space dedicated solely to prayer. All are welcome. Upper Room prayer sets are at the Capital Turnaround (8th and L St. entrance).
- Join in Focused Prayer Set Times (visit times at ncc.re/hop):
 - Tuesdays, 9am in the Upper Room
 - Wednesdays: Virtually 7:14 am on [Upper Zoom](#) (use link to fill out the form and see dates) and 7:14am in person at Upper Room
 - Thursdays: 12pm visit times at ncc.re/hop
- Download the NCC app or visit ncc.re/daily to listen to short, daily teachings M-F accompanying this series.
- Join a small group ncc.re/groups to discover ways you can use your talents and passions to serve the various church campuses in-person and online.
- Make a Bible reading plan a daily discipline and connect with NCC Daily. (Download the [NCC app](#) to find our plan).