

A READING FROM 2 TIMOTHY 3:14-17

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

*The Word of the Lord.*

**PSALM 119:33-40**      *Said by half verse*

<sup>33</sup> Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, \*  
and I shall keep it to the end.

<sup>34</sup> Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; \*  
I shall keep it with all my heart.

<sup>35</sup> Make me go in the path of your commandments, \*  
for that is my desire.

<sup>36</sup> Incline my heart to your decrees \*  
and not to unjust gain.

<sup>37</sup> Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; \*  
give me life in your ways.

<sup>38</sup> Fulfill your promise to your servant, \*  
which you make to those who fear you.

<sup>39</sup> Turn away the reproach which I dread, \*  
because your judgments are good.

<sup>40</sup> Behold, I long for your commandments; \*  
in your righteousness preserve my life.