

FOR THE BIBLE

BIG IDEA

How can you remain unshaken in a time of upheaval? How can you flourish amidst chaos, upheaval and constant change?

SCRIPTURE

II Timothy 3:13-17 shows us what can keep us stable. Scripture will stabilize and strengthen you when your world shifts or shakes. You cannot find fullness of life apart from Scripture. Ask the Holy Spirit to use this passage to strengthen and encourage you.

QUESTIONS

- Take a moment to review the “Jesus Loves Me” summary card on pages 3 and 4 of this study guide. This week we are studying the words **FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO**. Was there an idea under this word that surprised you, encouraged you, or that you’re not sure you agree with?
- Throughout history many Christians and churches have drifted away from God by loosening their hold on the Bible. To fully follow Jesus we must make the Word of God the standard for all we do and believe. Had you heard this before? Have you decided this?
- Let’s review and share our answers from the takeaway questions from the previous four weeks:
 - Week 1: Where is the power to solve your own deepest problems?
 - Week 2: Have you decided about what you believe about Jesus being fully God and fully man?
 - Week 3: Where do you find yourself today? 1) Separated from God? 2) You’ve had a moment where you’ve stepped

out on faith on believing on what Christ has done for you or
 3) You know with certainty that you have eternal life both now and in the future.

- Week 4: Can you name a few ways God is rehabilitating, restoring, recreating or renewing you? Did you remind yourself that you're a glorious ruin and being restored? How did that make you feel? Did it change your actions?
- Are there certain passages you meditate on regularly? If so, please share.
- Has there been a time when you trusted your heart more than God's heart? What happened?

TAKEAWAY

Try the practice of reading Scripture each day and journaling about it. In your journal, write the date and the Bible passage you're reading. (Try starting in John in the New Testament and Psalms or Proverbs in the Old Testament). Read until something makes sense in your life and then write it out and meditate on it. Next, write a prayer about it and ask the Holy Spirit to bring that back to you throughout the day. The next day, look back at the previous day and start reading again.

No matter what season you're in today, your Heavenly Father wants to speak to you today! Open the Word and remember that Jesus loves you. This you know. For the Bible tells you so.

In this series we learned the true meaning of each word in the simple children's song, "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so."

Which week of teaching (or word of that song) did you learn the most on? If someone asked you today what they must believe to be a Christian, do you now feel confident that you could answer them?

JESUS LOVES ME

SUMMARY CARD

JESUS

Fully God and Fully Man

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 11:28

Matthew 16:15-16

John 1:1-4

LOVES

Came into our world on a rescue mission. He died on the cross for our sins and rose from the dead.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 5:7, 8

Romans 3:23

Romans 6:23

Romans 10:9-11

ME

To receive salvation in Jesus, I must own my mistakes and need for His help. Where sin has corrupted me, Jesus can restore me into the image of God.

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 5:17

Romans 6:23

Ephesians 2: 8, 9

Romans 5:17

THIS I KNOW

I cannot earn salvation, but I must use my will to admit my need, acknowledge Jesus as God, believe in His work on the cross and receive His gift of salvation. After I receive salvation by faith, I express my belief in Jesus through baptism.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 1:16
Romans 10:9-11
Ephesians 2:8-9
Mark 16:16
Acts 8:12

FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO

To fully experience my new identity in Christ and my freedom from sin, I choose to make God's Word the standard for all I will do and believe. The truths of the Bible are of life-or-death importance.

SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 3:16
Romans 15:4
2 Peter 1:21
Psalm 19:7-11