

Sermon Notes

**Doctrine in the Life of the Church**

A Reflection on 1 & 2 Timothy

Doctrine is determined and defined by Scripture alone. (2 Tim 3:16-17; 1 Tim 1:8-11; 2 Tim 4:1-5)

Doctrine is foundational to the practice of the church. (1 Tim 3:14-16)

Doctrine is central to the work of the church. (1 Tim 4:6-9; 2 Tim 1:3-14; Titus 2:2-10)

Doctrine is to be stewarded by the church. (1 Tim 1:1-7; 6:3-16)

Doctrine shapes the identity of the church and cultivates its fitness. (2 Tim 4:1-5; Titus 2:11-14; 3:1-8)

## Sermon Reflection Guide

"Let the *Word* of Christ *dwell* in you(all) *richly*  
*teaching* and *admonishing* one another in all *wisdom...*"

- *Colossians 3:16a*

### Focus #1: GOD

1. What does this passage reveal about the character or nature of God?
2. What does this passage reveal about God's eternal plans and purposes?
3. What does this passage reveal about how God interacts with his creation?

### Focus #2: ME

4. How does this passage reveal sin in my own mind, heart, or life?
5. In what ways does this passage help us to see how we need to be aligned with God's will?
6. What is one tangible and measurable way that the Spirit is leading me to respond to his Word?

### Focus #3: OTHERS

7. What is one truth that I can share meaningfully with someone, and with whom?
8. How can I specifically encourage someone or everyone in my Life Group or church family from this passage?

Three contributions (reflections, questions, observations, etc.) I plan to include in our next Life Group discussion:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

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### SEPTEMBER

18 Member's Meeting  
19 Red Cross Blood Drive  
20 Person High vs. Cedar Ridge High  
21 Men's Fellowship Breakfast

29 Communion

### OCTOBER

2 Life Together  
4 Person High @ Southern Alamance