**WEEK 4 | 2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17 | THE BIBLE HAS POWER**

**GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

How did this week’s Personal Bible Study help you better understand the power of the Bible? Based on our study thus far, what gives the Bible its power?

You read Matthew 4:1-11 in your personal Bible study this week. Reread it together now. Jesus seems to respond to Satan instinctively and without hesitation. Each temptation of Satan offers Jesus something that serves Him, i.e. bread to satisfy Himself, safety to secure Himself, praise to make Himself significant. These are the three basic categories of human need: satisfaction, security, and significance. In each of His responses, Jesus finds the source of His needs being met. What is that source? What is your source of security, satisfaction, and significance? Does the source of getting your needs met move you closer to being used by God or closer to serving yourself?

There is a line in a U2 song that says, “What you don’t have you don’t need now.” Does 2 Timothy 3:16-17 change your perspective on what you “need” to be able to do the “good work” that God has called you to do? How?

In his commentary on 2 Timothy, Warren Wiersbe writes “…but here Paul states that *any* Christian can become a person ‘of God’. How? By studying the Word of God, obeying it, and letting control his life.” Which of these three activities that Wiersbe mentions – studying, obeying, and letting it control – do you need to focus on right now in your life? What is your strategy to address that area?

Hebrews 11 is often called the “faith hall of fame”. Glance over verses 4 – 38 and notice the names listed there. Each person’s story opens with “by faith”. Romans 10:17 says faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. How are you going to use the Word of God this week to strengthen your faith? To do the good works God has prepared for you?