



For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. 2 Timothy 4:3-4 (NLT)

- We must be aware of cross-pollination against our faith and allow the "cross" pollination of our soul.

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. John 14:6 (NLT)

Pastor Phillip Anthony Mitchel - www.youtube.com/watch?v=VP9

A definition of Soul:

The biblical definition of the soul is the essence of life, self, our inner being, the will of a person.

And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. Genesis 2:7

- We are not a body with a soul, but rather a soul with a body.

The Bereans were more receptive than the people in Thessalonica. They listened to the message with great eagerness, and every day they studied the Scriptures to see if what Paul said was really true. Acts 17:11

Something about the Bereans:

- They had a moral character about them that expressed their love for God in them.

...the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica... Acts 17:11a (NIV)

Our love for God will produce a love for God's Word.

Jesus said "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word. John 14:23 (ESV)

- They had an eagerness about them that displayed an appetite within them.

...for they received the message with great eagerness... Acts 17:11b (NIV)

Our love for God will produce a desire for God's Word.

Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. Psalm 1:1-2 (NLT)

- They had a discipline about them that revealed a devotion within them.

(They) examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true... Acts 17:12a (NIV)

Study to show yourself approved by God, a workman who need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 Timothy 2:15 (MEV)

Our love for God will produce a dedication to His Word.

And now just as you trusted Christ to save you, trust him, too, for each day's problems; live in vital union with him. Let your roots grow down into him and draw up nourishment from him. See that you go on growing in the

Lord, and become strong and vigorous in the truth you were taught. Let your lives overflow with joy and thanksgiving for all he has done. Don't let others spoil your faith and joy with their philosophies, their wrong and shallow answers built on men's thoughts and ideas, instead of what Christ has said. Colossians 2:6-8 (TLB)

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. 2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT)

For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear.

2 Timothy 4:3 (NLT)

3 Quick Applications:

- Learn to love God's Word.

"The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul..." – Psalm 19:7

- Begin to study the Bible.

- Read the Word of God and let the Word of God read you.

God's word is living and active. It is sharper than any two-edged sword and cuts as deep as the place where soul and spirit meet, the place where joints and marrow meet. God's word judges a person's thoughts and intentions. Hebrews 4:12 (GWT)

Additional Notes:



TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups:

These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain.
- How much time do you spend on Social Media? Do you believe that cross-contamination against your faith is a real issue from spending time scrolling?
- What did you think of Phillip Anthony Mitchel? What did you think of his message?
- Are you intentional about caring for your soul?
- When someone speaks about Jesus or what the Bible says, do you tend to accept their opinion, or do you search the scriptures to see if what they're saying is true?
- Go over the points under the sub-heading - "Something about the Bereans". Which of these stand out to you? Do these points describe you?
- Because the enemy is trying to deceive us, how important is it to you to study God's Word?
- Is studying God's Word a chore for you? How can we learn to love God's Word?
- What does it mean to let the Word of God read you? Why is that important?

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