Essential: Getting Back to the Basics

Pt 1: Scripture Alone

2 Tim 3:16-17 (ESV) **16** All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, **17** that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

Discipleship Questions

- 1. Paul wrote to Timothy that scripture comes from God and should be used for teaching, correction, and training. What role does scripture have in your life? Is scripture guiding and shaping both your beliefs and actions? If not, what steps can you take to change that?
- 2. Reading through the Bible can seem like an overwhelming task. This week we laid out a plan to read through the New Testament by the end of the year (ex: 3 chapters a day, 3 days per week). If you were to read through the N.T. this year do you think there would be noticeable changes in your life when you finished? How does that influence your decision to dedicate time to spend in God's Word?

Questions To Ask While Reading

- 1. Who is writing to whom?
- 2. How would the original audience have understood the text?
- 3. What is God saying to the church/me today?

Guided Prayer

- Thank God for His grace and the forgiveness of sin.
- Ask God to reveal if there are areas in your life that are not in alignment with His Word, and repent of any revealed sin.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you as you begin the journey of reading through the New Testament. Pray specifically for understanding.
- Pray for Trinity Church to fulfill God's call to care for the spiritual and physical needs of individuals in Waupun.