**Family Devotion**

**Week beginning:** 20th July

**Passage:** 2 Timothy 3:16

**Topic:** Bible / God’s word

I hope you found last week’s devotion helpful for you as a family. Here is this week’s family devotion that follows on from Myles’s Kid’s Talk in Sunday about **the Bible**.

Do keep reading the Bible with your family to help you and your kids to know and love Jesus. I pray this helps you do this.

**THIS WEEK’S TIP**

Try and ensure everyone has a Bible they can read or at least a print out of the verse to ensure they can visually absorb it beyond just hearing it read out once by someone in the family.

**READ** 2 timothy 3:16

1. Recap last week’s memory verse about Church and the importance of meeting together to encourage one another. See who can remember the memory verse (you may need to prompt)

*‘Do not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another’*

1. Read 2 Timothy 3:16 (use the NIV or CEV depending on the age of your children).

*16 Everything in the Scriptures is God’s Word. All of it is useful for teaching and helping people and for correcting them and showing them how to live. (CEV);* or

***16****All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness (NIV)*

1. What does it mean that ‘All scripture is God’s word’ / ‘God breathed’?
2. What is another word to describe ‘God’s word’/ ‘scripture’? [BIBLE]
3. What does v16 say is God’s word / scripture / the Bible is good for?
4. If v16 is true, what should this mean for us? [read it, obey it]

**PRAY**

Spend some time praying.

* Give thanks to God that he has told us all about himself and Jesus in the Bible
* Thank God he shows us how to live in the Bible
* Ask God to help you read it / study it as a family regularly
* Ask God to help you understand the Bible when you do study it / read it
* Ask God to help you obey his word / the things you read in the Bible