

**HOW DO WE GROW IN OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH CHRIST?
PREPARATION FOR NEHEMIAH 8
2 Timothy 3:16-17**

- I. WE MUST UNDERSTAND THE TRUE NATURE OF HIS WORD (16a)**
 - A. It is God's very Word (16a)
 - B. It is profitable, i.e. beneficial (16a)

- II. WE MUST UNDERSTAND WHAT ALL SCRIPTURE IS PROFITABLE FOR AND LET GOD DO HIS WORK THROUGH IT IN US (16b)**
 - A. It is beneficial for our **Instruction**
 - B. It is beneficial for our **Reproof**
 - C. It is beneficial for our **Correction**
 - D. It is beneficial for our **Training in righteousness**

- III. WE MUST UNDERSTAND GOD'S PURPOSE FOR HIS PROFITABLE WORD:
To adequately equip true believers for every Good Work (17)**