

Week 13, October 5-11, 2026

Word of God: *Scripture is God Breathed*

Gathering Song [*Word of God Speak*](#) by Mercy Me

Daily Prayer *Jesus, Jesus you are with me as I step into this day.*

Let me hear you gently calling, "Precious child, walk this way."

Jesus, Jesus when I hear you, calling me to follow you,

In that hour, give me grace to love my neighbor like you do. Amen.

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:16-17 Context: 10-17 Scripture is God Breathed

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Devotional Thoughts

"All Scripture is God-breathed." What a powerful verse! Breathing is one of those things that we don't think much about. We get up each morning, we breathe in, we breathe out, and we go about our day. But to have the words we share and hear be filled with God's breath is awe inspiring.

From the beginning of Creation, the Spirit was hovering over the waters. God breathed life into Adam. The breath of God was a key component from the very beginning. And what is the purpose of scripture? We are told in the verse this week that the purpose of God's word is to equip us with the Holy Spirit through teaching, questioning, learning and practicing.

Every breath is God in us, sustaining our very life. Without breath we are not alive. Without the word of God, we are not alive in our faith. Scripture equips us for service, for doing God's good work wherever we find ourselves in each moment.

Think back on all the times that we have done something we regret later because we forgot to take a moment to center ourselves in the words of Christ that are found in scripture.

This Week's Challenge? What if our actions were God-breathed just as all scripture is God breathed? Before moving ahead in the moment without a thought, take a moment to breathe in and remember that our lives are a gift from God. Look for inspiration in each moment from the breath of God living inside each of us. The challenge for this week? Breathe first, then take action.

Practice living a life that is God breathed, finding hope and confidence in allowing God to have control. Giving up control can be a little scary, but giving ourselves permission to NOT be responsible for everything can also be freeing and rewarding.

Affirmation of Christian Vocation: Make the sign of the cross on your forehead (or if you are doing this devotion with others, make the sign on the forehead of another) while saying...

All that we do belongs to God—our work and our rest.

We follow Jesus with thankful hearts and open hands, serving our neighbor in love.

Morning and evening, at work and at play, our life is in Christ Jesus our Lord. AMEN