

Life in the Spirit: Three Myths that Impede Our Experience of the Holy Spirit

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Text: 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Myth #1: Narrative Scriptures Do Not Provide Doctrine

- The principle simply goes against our _____.
- Biblical narrative gives us _____.

Myth #2: Doctrine is More Important than Narrative

- We cannot treat the New Testament as if was written by _____ with a _____.

Myth #3: The Indwelling Spirit is All We Need

- Everything is _____ at salvation, but not everything is _____.
- The _____ covers the entire sphere of the Spirit's work in the life of the believer.
- Luke 11:11-13

Life Enrichment

What about today's sermon challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- What is your favorite childhood story? What moral(s) does the story teach?
- In what current stories (whether a book, a television series, or a movie) are you involved? What lessons are the authors trying to teach?
- Why do you think some theologians have concluded that biblical stories (The Gospels and Acts) do not teach doctrine?
- How might this perspective hinder our understanding and experience of God?
- In 2 Timothy 3:16-17, what does Paul tell us about the source and purpose of all scripture?
- Can we take what Paul writes about the Holy Spirit and assume that Luke or Matthew mean the same things? Why, or why not?
- Is the believer's indwelling by the Holy Spirit at salvation adequate for all of life? Should we expect and desire future empowerments with the Spirit? Why, or why not?
- How might Spirit empowerment help you this week? What will you do to experience it?