

MESSAGE

Occasion : Evening Worship
Date : April 3, 2016

TITLE : **PROVE THE WORD**
Text/s :

Acts 17:11

11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.

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Bible reading :

2 Tim 3:14-17

14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;

15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

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Song/s :

INTRODUCTION

How do we prove the Word of God? Let us use the word PROVE itself and draw from each letter some Biblical principles.

A) P - Put Your Whole Self in it

1 Tim 4:12-16

12 Let no man despise thy youth; but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

13 Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

14 Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

15 Meditate upon these things; **give thyself wholly to them**; that thy profiting may appear to all.

16 Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

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Rom 12:1-2

1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

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Heb 10:22

22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

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Mark 9:23-24

23 Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

24 And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief.

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Mark 10:28-29

28 Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee.

29 And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,

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B) R - Respond Willingly, Deliberately, Intentionally

John 5:40

40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

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Luke 18:28-30

28 Then Peter said, Lo, we have left all, and followed thee.

29 And he said unto them, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of God's sake,

30 Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come life everlasting.

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Luke 5:11

11 And when they had brought their ships to land, they forsook all, and followed him.

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Luke 9:57-62

57 And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way, a certain man said unto him, Lord, I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

58 And Jesus said unto him, Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.

59 And he said unto another, Follow me. But he said, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

60 Jesus said unto him, Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou and preach the kingdom of God.

61 And another also said, Lord, I will follow thee; but let me first go bid them farewell, which are at home at my house.

62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

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James 1:8

8 A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

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Matt 23:37-39

37 O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

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Matt 11:28-30

28 Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

29 Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

30 For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

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C) O - Obey

Rom 6:17-18

17 But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

18 Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

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2 Cor 10:5-6

5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

6 And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

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Rom 15:18-19

18 For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed,

19 Through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

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Rom 16:26-27

26 But now is made manifest, and by the scriptures of the prophets, according to the commandment of the everlasting God, made known to all nations for the obedience of faith:

27 To God only wise, be glory through Jesus Christ for ever. Amen.

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D) V - Verify

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John 5:39

39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

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2 Peter 1:19-21

19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

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verb

ver·i·fy

\`ver-ə-, fī\

transitive verb

1 : to confirm or substantiate in law by oath

2 : to establish the truth, accuracy, or reality of < *verify* the claim >

synonyms see [confirm](#)

Other forms: ver·i·fied; ver·i·fy·ing

– ver·i·fi·er \-, fī(-ə)r\ noun

Examples

- She *verified* her flight number.
- He *verified* that the item was in stock.
- Can you *verify* whether I am scheduled to work or not?

Origin: Middle English *verifien*, from Anglo-French *verifier*, from Medieval Latin *verificare*, from Latin *verus* true

First use: 14th century

synonyms see [confirm](#)

Synonyms: [argue](#), [attest](#), [authenticate](#), [bear out](#), [certify](#), [corroborate](#), [substantiate](#), [support](#), [validate](#), [confirm](#), [vindicate](#)

Antonyms: [disprove](#), [rebut](#), [refute](#)

val·i·date

\`va-lə-, dāt\

transitive verb

1 a : to make legally [valid](#) : [ratify](#)

b : to grant official sanction to by marking < *validated* her passport >

c : to confirm the [validity](#) of (an election); *also* : to declare (a person) elected

2 a : to support or corroborate on a sound or authoritative basis < experiments designed to *validate* the hypothesis >

b : to recognize, establish, or illustrate the worthiness or legitimacy of < *validate* his concerns >

synonyms see [confirm](#)

Other forms: val·i·dat·ed; val·i·dat·ing

Examples

- The court *validated* the contract.
- A judge still needs to *validate* the election.
- Customs officers *validated* our passports.

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E) E - Embrace

Prov 4:7-9

7 Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.

8 Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.

9 She shall give to thine head an ornament of grace: a crown of glory shall she deliver to thee.

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Mark 7:9-13

9 And he said unto them, Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition.

10 For Moses said, Honour thy father and thy mother; and, Whoso curseth father or mother, let him die the death:

11 But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother, It is Corban, that is to say, a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me; he shall be free.

12 And ye suffer him no more to do ought for his father or his mother;

13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

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1 Cor 1:17

17 For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect.

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Titus 1:13-14

13 This witness is true. Wherefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;

14 Not giving heed to Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.

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verb

em·brace

\im-'brās\

transitive verb

1 a : to clasp in the arms : [hug](#)

b : [cherish](#), [love](#)

2 : [encircle](#), [enclose](#)

3 a : to take up especially readily or gladly < *embrace* a cause >

b : to avail oneself of : [welcome](#) < *embraced* the opportunity to study further >

4 a : to take in or include as a part, item, or element of a more inclusive whole < charity *embrace* s all acts that contribute to human welfare >

b : to be equal or equivalent to < his assets *embraced* \$10 >

intransitive verb

: to participate in an embrace

synonyms see [adopt](#), [include](#)

Other forms: em·braced; em·brac·ing

– **embrace·able** \-'brā-sə-bəl\ adjective

– **em·brace·ment** \-'brās-mənt\ noun

– **em·brac·er** noun

– **em·brac·ing·ly** \-'brā-siŋ-lē\ adverb

Examples

- They *embraced* one last time before going their separate ways.
- a politician who has been *embraced* by conservatives
- Charity *embraces* all acts of generous giving.

Origin: Middle English, from Anglo-French *embracer*, from *en-* + *brace* pair of arms – more at [brace](#)
First use: 14th century

synonyms see [adopt](#), [include](#)

Synonyms: [bear-hug](#), [clasp](#), [crush](#), [enclasp](#), [enfold](#), [grasp](#), [hug](#), [strain](#)

Antonyms: [exclude](#), [leave \(out\)](#), [miss out](#) [*British*], [omit](#)