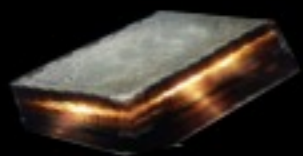


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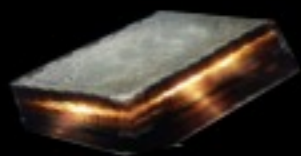
## Foundation Scriptures . . . This Series Isaiah 30:10 - 11

They Tell the Prophets, "Stop Seeing Your  
Visions About What is Right ... Don't Tell  
Us the "Truth!" Prophecy Nice Things to  
Us & Make Us Feel Good - Even if  
it Isn't "True!"

Stop Seeing Things That Will Really  
Happen. Get Out of Our Way - Stop  
Telling Us About the Holy One of Israel!"

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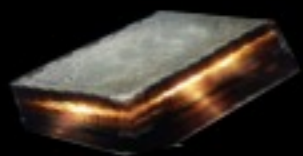
Isaiah 59: 15 - 16

Yes, "Truth" is Gone and Anyone  
Who Renounces Evil is Attacked.  
The Lord Looked & Was Displeased  
to Find There Was No Justice. He  
Was Astonished to See  
There Was No Champion, Not Even  
One . . .



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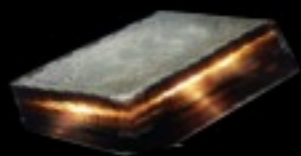
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Isaiah 59: 15 - 16

. . . Who Would Speak Up for What  
is Right! So He Himself Stepped in  
to Deliver Them w/His Strong Arm  
& His Justice Sustained Him!

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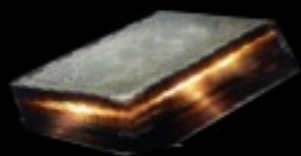


## Foundation Scriptures . . . This Series 2 Timothy 4: 2 - 4

Preach the Word "Truth!" Be Ready  
to Do it Whether it is Convenient or  
Inconvenient. Correct, Confront, &  
Encourage with Patience &  
Instruction. For There Will Come a  
Time When People Will Not Tolerate  
Sound Doctrine "Truth" . . . ➤

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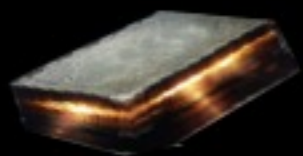


## Foundation Scriptures . . . This Series 2 Timothy 4: 2 - 4

. . . but Having Itching Ears, They will  
Gather for Themselves One Teacher  
After Another, Who Say What They  
Want to Hear to Foster the Errors They  
Hold. They Will Turn Their Back On  
the "Truth" & Turn to Man-made  
Fictions!"

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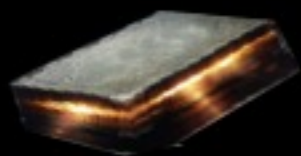
Luke 12: 1

“Beware of the Yeast (Leaven) of the  
Pharisees, Which is “Hypocrisy!”

The Yeast That Would Grow and  
Affect Everything Around it!”

# EPAC BIBLE

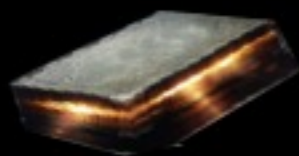
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Learning OBJ's . . . This Series  
"Truth" Matters to God! "Truth" is All  
About the Wrong or Right Way to Make  
Use of God's Word! The Responsibility  
of the Church is to be the "Standard" of  
Biblical "Truth!" When the Body of  
Christ Operates in "Truth" it will  
Eliminate & Separate the "Chaff" from  
the Wheat! . . .

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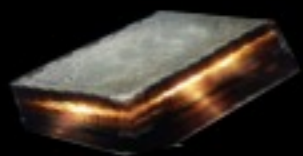
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. . . "Truth" Will Run "satan & Hell"  
Out of the Church!

Biblical "Truth" Doesn't Make You  
More of What You Are or What You  
Were . . . Biblical "Truth" Makes You  
More Like Christ - Holy!

Greatest Challenge & Deficiency in the  
21<sup>st</sup> Century Church: "Truth!"

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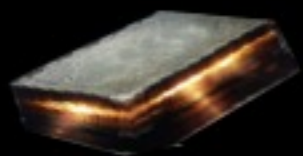
## PowerPoint (Wisdom) Key . . . This Series

Concerning the Bible & Biblical Truth,  
Most Believers in the House of God  
Today, Prefer Multiple-Choice Test's!  
However, God Does Not Consider Your  
Ability to Guess or Pick the "Correct"  
Multiple-Choice Answer . . . Makes You  
an "A" Student! . . .



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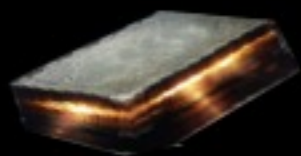
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. . . God Does Not Care How Much  
Bible You Can Quote or Get Right on a  
Multiple-Choice Test! The Only Exams  
Jesus Provides are "Essay" Questions!

The Holy Spirit is Only Interested in  
How Much Truth You Understand . . .  
How Much "Truth" You Are Living . . . ➤

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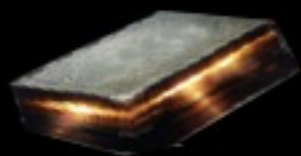
. . . & How Much Truth You Tell!

If You Cannot Answer the "Essay"  
Questions, Then Your Grade on Biblical  
"Truth" is an "F!"

You're Always Learning But Never Able  
to Grasp the Knowledge of "Truth!"

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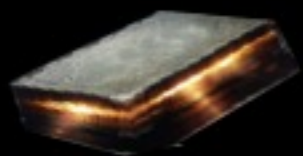
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**Big Question(s) . . . This Series**  
**What Does "Nothing But the "Truth"**  
**So Help Me God" Mean in Our World**  
**& in the Church Today?**  
**Is "Truth" Always Absolute, or Can it**  
**Change? Can "Truth" be Relative to**  
**Your Personal Feelings or Point of View?**  
**How Would you Define Yourself as a**  
**Model of Biblical "Truth?" . . . ➤**

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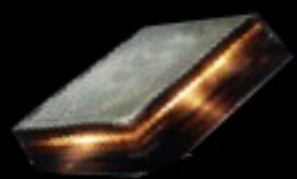
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Big Question(s) . . . This Series  
. . . Are You a Disciple Who Obeys  
the “Truth” . . . or—are you the  
Church Member Who Embraces &  
Follows “Truth” – as Long as it Fits  
into Your Version & Description of  
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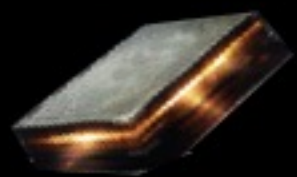
## Epic Challenges . . . The Church

- ➡ Difficulty w/Truth in the House of God? Why So Much Hypocrisy?
- ➡ Christians & The Ability to Walk in in Humility & Love?
- ➡ What Did God Warn About Christians Who Are Slandorous, Deceitful, Sowers of Discord & Disingenuous?



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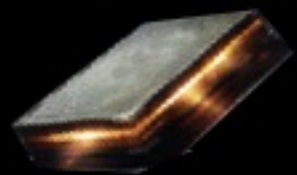


## Epic Challenges . . . The Church

- ☞ Christians & Forgiveness; Wholeness; Holy Conviction & Worship!
- ☞ Less & Less of a "Move of God" - the Absence of the Holy Spirit in the House of God!
- ☞ The Universal Church's Inability to Be United & Not Segregated - Racism: "One Lord; One Faith & Doctrine!" ➤

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## Epic Bible Series


- ✝ Stench of Truth
- ✝ Cracked Mouth Christians
- ✝ When Push Comes to Shove, Foxholes in Ministry
- ✝ The Proof of Truth
- ✝ What about Love
- ✝ Can the Holy Spirit Depart from the Church?
- ✝ God is God
- ✝ He is Present in Your Pain
- ✝ Watch Out for Them Dogs
- ✝ Baby's Breath



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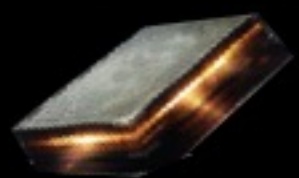


Truth or Dare



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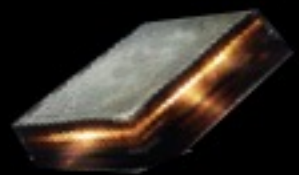


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  - b. Spirit
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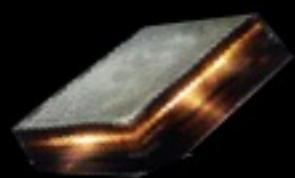
a. Qualities & Characteristics

b. Servants Heart & Spirit

c. Anointing & Calling From God

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### II. Saul in His Fall and Consequences

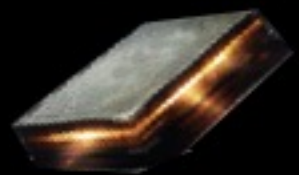
a. Disobedience and Good Intentions

b. Following the Crowd and Pride

c. Responsibility and Leadership

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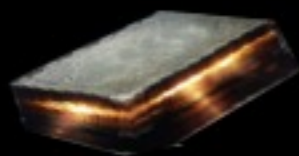
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### III. Saul's Narrative as a Tool

- a. Saul is a Warning
- b. Introspections and Reflection
- c. Transformation & Change

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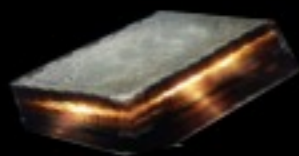
## Background Information:

1 Samuel 8: 4-7

1 Samuel 8: 19-22

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## I. The Rise of Saul: Verses

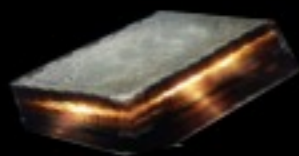
1 Samuel 9: 1-10

1 Samuel 9: 15-24

1 Samuel 10:1, 6-7, 9-16

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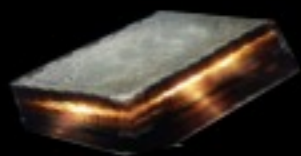


## I. The Rise of Saul: Characteristics & Qualities

- Physical Attributes: Tall/Handsome
- Responsible
- Listens to Good Advice
- Respectful to religious protocols
- Humble
- Servant's Spirit
- Transformation Happens
- Spirit of God is in him
- Equipped and Empowered

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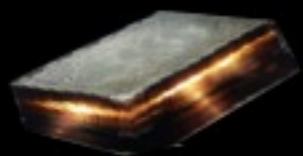
## II. The Fall of Saul: Verses

1 Samuel 13: 8-15

1 Samuel 15: 1-23

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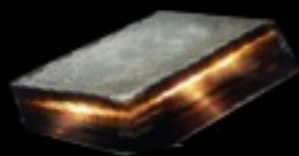


## II. The Fall of Saul

- Disobedience
- Listening to People Not God
- Erecting a monument to himself
- Not Taking responsibility
- Being a poor leader

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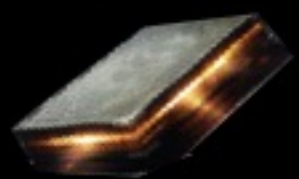


## II. The Fall of Saul Consequences

- God takes away the Kingdom
  - God Anoints David
- God uses a harmful Spirit to Torment Saul

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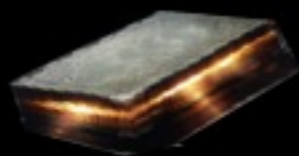


## Regret:

Nâcham : (Hebrew) which translates to deep sigh as in great sorrow. God was grieved by Saul and his actions.

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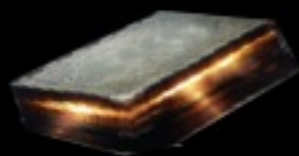
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### A.) A Warning

- All of us heard a calling
- Reflect on your flaws
- Deal with your issues and sin

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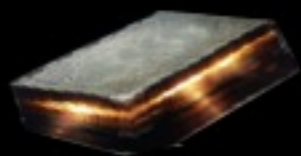
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### B.) Introspection and Reflection

- Introspection is the observation or examination of one's own mental and emotional state, mental processes, etc.; the act of looking within oneself.

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## III. Saul's Narrative as a tool

### B.) Introspection and Reflection

#### - Do you quench the Holy Spirit?

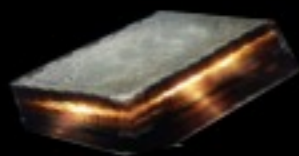
#### Reflection:

Psalm 27:14 "Wait for the Lord;  
be strong, and let your heart take courage;  
wait for the Lord!"

Isaiah 40:31 "But those who wait on the Lord  
Shall renew their strength;  
They shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
They shall run and not be weary,  
They shall walk and not faint."

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## III. Saul's Narrative as a tool B.) Introspection and Reflection

- Do you care too much of other  
opinions?

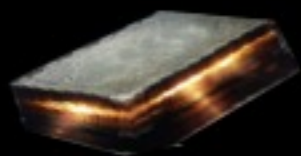
### Reflection:

Acts 20:30 "Also from among yourselves men will rise up,  
speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves."

Philippians 4:8 "Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever  
things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure,  
whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there  
is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these  
things."

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### B.) Introspection and Reflection

- Do you trust God or yourself?

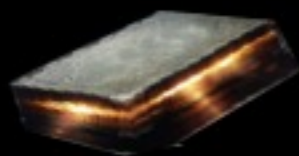
#### Reflection:

Psalm 46:10 "Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth!"

Proverbs 3: 5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart  
and lean not on your own understanding;  
6 in all your ways submit to him,  
and he will make your paths straight."

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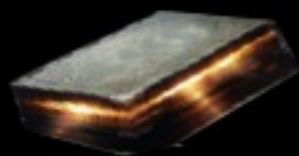
- Am I a poor witness?

#### Reflection:

2 Cor. 5:20 "We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God."

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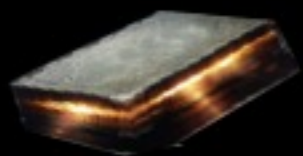
- Am I setting up idols for myself?

#### Reflection:

Deuteronomy 4:23 "Be careful not to forget the covenant of the Lord your God that he made with you; do not make for yourselves an idol in the form of anything the Lord your God has forbidden."

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## III. Saul's Narrative as a tool

### B.) Introspection and Reflection

#### - Consequences as believers

**Disaster.**

**Loss.**

**Regret.**

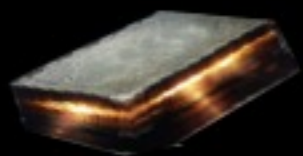
**Conflict.**

**Confusion.**

**Pain.**

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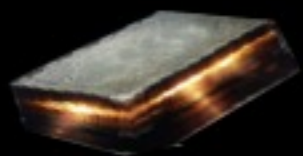
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#### C.) Transformative Change

- The Table is set for you
- God does not make mistakes
- Change is incremental and must be done daily
  - Have a growth mindset
  - Humble yourself before God

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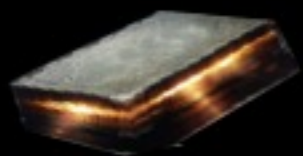


### IV. Conclusion

- 1.) By all accounts Saul was to be one of the greatest leaders the world would see.
- 2.) Failure to live by the truth we dare to experience consequences from God.
- 3.) We need to confront our character flaws and the sins that grieve the Spirit.
- 4.) God has called each and everyone of us to experience greater.

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## Question

Truth or Dare?

**Truth:** Are you living 100% in God's truth  
and authority in your life?

**Dare:** I dare you to humble yourselves  
before the Lord and start living the life God  
created you for.