

SUMMER SERIES: GO TO THE BIBLE!

Lesson 4: Go to the Bible: Independence or Dependence?

Why study Scripture:

- 16 \_\_\_\_\_ is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and \_\_\_\_\_ in righteousness, 17 so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for \_\_\_\_\_

2 Timothy 3.14-16

- Independence: the fact or state of being independent; freedom from \_\_\_\_\_ aid, or the like, \_\_\_\_\_

So, independence – is it good or bad?

- Can be very good:
- \_\_\_\_\_
- At \_\_\_\_\_
- Self-reliance often a \_\_\_\_\_ quality

What about Dependence?

- the state of \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ by someone or something else.
- Often seen as a \_\_\_\_\_

Go to The Bible . . . Verses declaring our \_\_\_\_\_

- 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you \_\_\_\_\_. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do \_\_\_\_\_

John 15

The Christian must understand he is \_\_\_\_\_

- For apart from me you can do \_\_\_\_\_
- Dependent on \_\_\_\_\_ through the \_\_\_\_\_ to live the victorious Christian life!

Lest we become self-reliant in a negative way, we must remain aware of our need for Jesus. Regular prayer helps us do that, for by it we remember our \_\_\_\_\_

- <https://www.ligonier.org/learn/devotionals/dependence-christ/>

Isaiah 50.10, ESV: trust in the name of the Lord and \_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 3, ESV:

- 5 Trust in the Lord with \_\_\_\_\_
- and do not lean on your own \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 In \_\_\_\_\_ acknowledge \_\_\_\_\_
- and he will make straight your paths.

The World vs Jesus:

- The world says, \_\_\_\_\_
- The Bible says,
- I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but \_\_\_\_\_  
The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. – Galatians 2.20

Jesus can help us do \_\_\_\_\_

► <sup>13</sup> I can do \_\_\_\_\_ who strengthens me. Philippians 4