Come let us Grow Together: Doctrine

Come let us Grow Together is a weekly series that deals with the many topical categories that exist within the Word of God. The purpose of this series is to grow in wisdom, knowledge, and understanding in things pertaining to God.

"All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works." (2 Tim 3:16-17)

All doctrine is important and every scripture in the Bible is given by inspiration of God! Every scripture "is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness". So you must learn doctrine and to learn doctrine you must learn scripture and to learn scripture you must study the scriptures as well as going to Church listening to the Pastor, preachers, and teachers that instruct you in the scripture. You must also study your Bible to see if what they are teaching you is correct or not as many false doctrines abound.

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." (2 Tim 2:15) "Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little:" (Isa 28:9-10) "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report?" (Rm 10:14-16) "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you." (Heb 13:17) "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised;) And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching." (Heb 10:23-25) "And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews. 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. Therefore many of them believed; also of honourable women which were Greeks, and of men, not a few." (Acts 17:10-12)

It is your duty as a follower of Christ to study the scriptures and learn doctrine. It is your duty as a follower of Christ to search the scriptures to see whether or not what you are being taught is correct or not. It is your duty as a follower of Christ to attend Church and submit yourself to those who have the rule over you.

If you begin to say, I don't understand the Bible, that is one of the reasons why you are to be attending Church, listening to the preacher and those who have the rule over you which would include your Pastor, and studying the Bible yourself so that you can learn and then make proper decisions on whether or not what you are being taught at your Church is truth or not.

It's time to learn sound doctrine for your own personal walk with God and for your growth, but this in no wise negates going to Church and listening to and learning from the ministry that God has given to the Church.