

Understanding the Biblical Protocol for Change: Origen, Purpose and Methodology

2020 IABC Conference Plenary Session: 2 Timothy 3:14-17

I. Introduction: (Scope of Change)

- The psychologized counseling world looks for pain relief that pleases the “_____,” while Biblical Counselors look at the Believers responses and God’s Word that addresses pain and change that ultimately _____! (Eph.5:10)
- There must be a _____ of change before we can expect a _____ of systematic change in our counselees.
- Change must begin with an _____ in our spiritual journey before change can _____ in the external part of our life.

Notes:

II. 2 Timothy 3 in Context (Origen)

In essence

- A. Paul told Timothy that he was going to *hand the torch* to him.
- B. Paul Says to Timothy, *if you cling to the Scriptures*, you will remain true to the end.
- C. (Isa.55:11)

Notes:

III. Verses 14-17 - Specifics of 2 Timothy 3:14-17 (Purpose)

> Verses 14-15 instruct us that the Scriptures are _____

> Verses 16-17 instruct us that the Scriptures are _____

A. Two divine purposes for Special Revelation:

1. The Scripture is _____

2. The Scriptures are _____

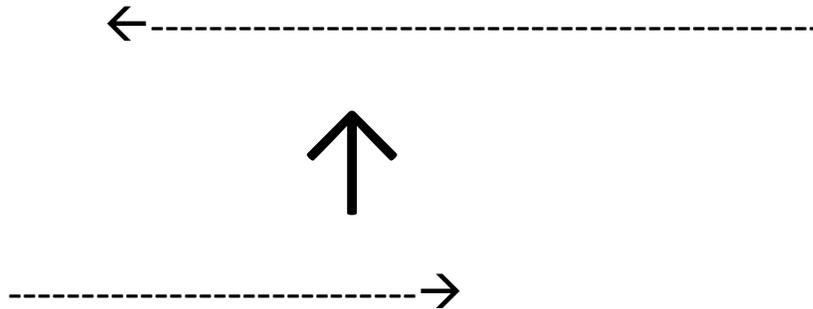
B. Two uses of the Scriptures:

1. _____ for reconciliation: People need to hear the Gospel, repent, and believe, to be saved and reconciled to God. (Vs.14-15)

2. _____ for transformation: “Believers” must be built up in their faith by changing from their sinful behavior and attitudes to god-honoring righteous ways of life and thinking. (Vs.16-17)

Resource Recommendations: 1) What is the Gospel? (Gilbert) and The Proof of Salvation article by John MacArthur (Pdf); How to Help People Change – Adams.

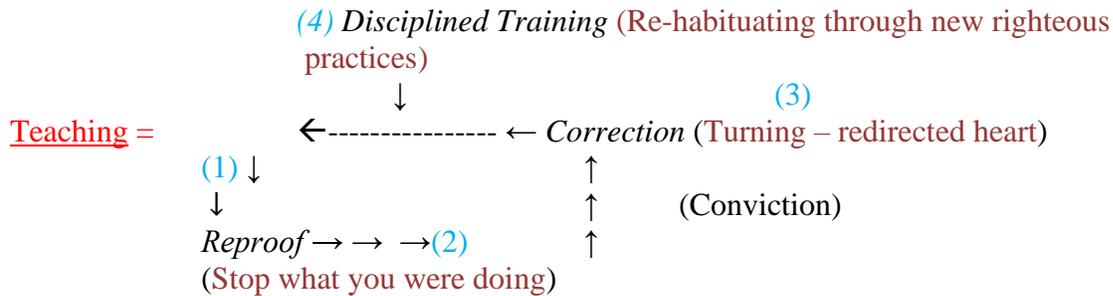
3. Illustrated **Visual Theology** of the change expectations: (*The Parallel Counseling Approach*)



C. Our counseling goals are simple: 1) _____ the lost and _____ the saved.

IV. The Four-Step Process (Vs.16) (Methodology)

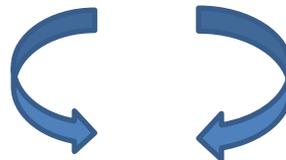
A. Change is divinely provided in *the _____ as written*. Note: Teaching facilitates the other three steps: (Illustrated)



B. Biblical change happens with the _____ of the Word – privately and publicly (Acts.20:20)

1. The counseling office is only the tip of the spear for the ministry of the Word.
2. Connecting them to the Body of Christ is critical in the sanctification process.

C. The Ministry Cycle: (**Illustrated**)



V. The trust of the **Sufficiency of the Scripture** identifies genuine Biblical Counseling

2 Peter 1:3-5