

2 Timothy 3

Avoiding Scammers

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Alert! - a threat is looming

2 Timothy 3:1 NLT

You should know this, Timothy, that in the last days there will be very difficult times.



love only themselves
and their money
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proud
scoffing at God
disobedient to their parents
ungrateful
consider nothing sacred
unloving
unforgiving
slander others
have no self-control
cruel
hate what is good
betray their friends
reckless
puffed up with pride
love pleasure rather than God
act religious, but they will reject the power that could make them godly

2 Timothy 3:2-5 NLT



2 Timothy 3:6,7 NLT

They are the kind who work their way into people's homes and win the confidence of vulnerable women who are burdened with the guilt of sin and controlled by various desires. (Such women are forever following new teachings, but they are never able to understand the truth.)



2 Timothy 3:8,9 NLT

These teachers oppose the truth just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses. They have depraved minds and a counterfeit faith. But they won't get away with this for long. Someday everyone will recognize what fools they are, just as with Jannes and Jambres.



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2 Timothy 3:10-13 NLT

- what I teach
- how I live
- my purpose in life
- my faith, my patience
- my love
- my endurance
- how much persecution and suffering I have endured
- how I was persecuted in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra

A REACTION is required!

But you must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.

2 Timothy 3:14-17 NLT

Fasten your seatbelt



there is turbulence ahead
get secure

Trusted teachers and their teaching

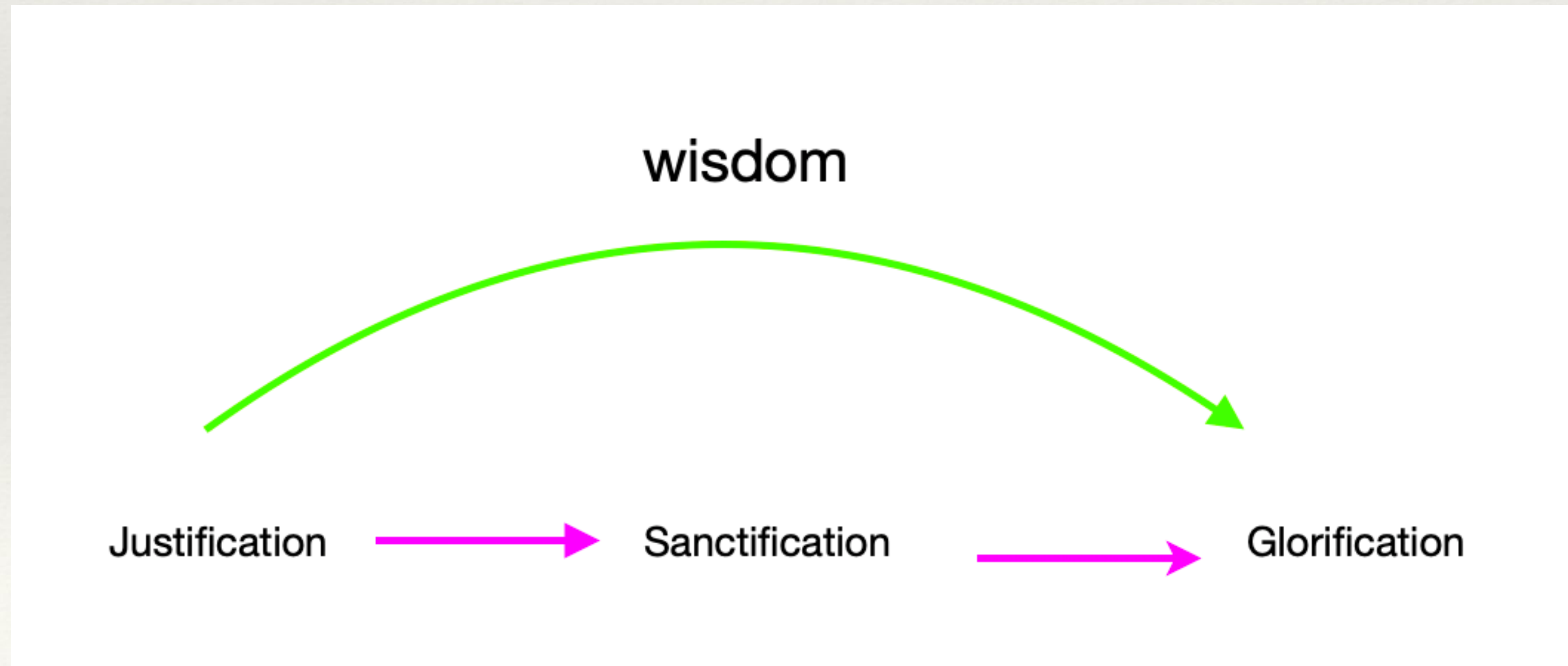


The Holy Scriptures



2 Timothy 3:15 NLT

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The Bible As An Instruction Manual ?

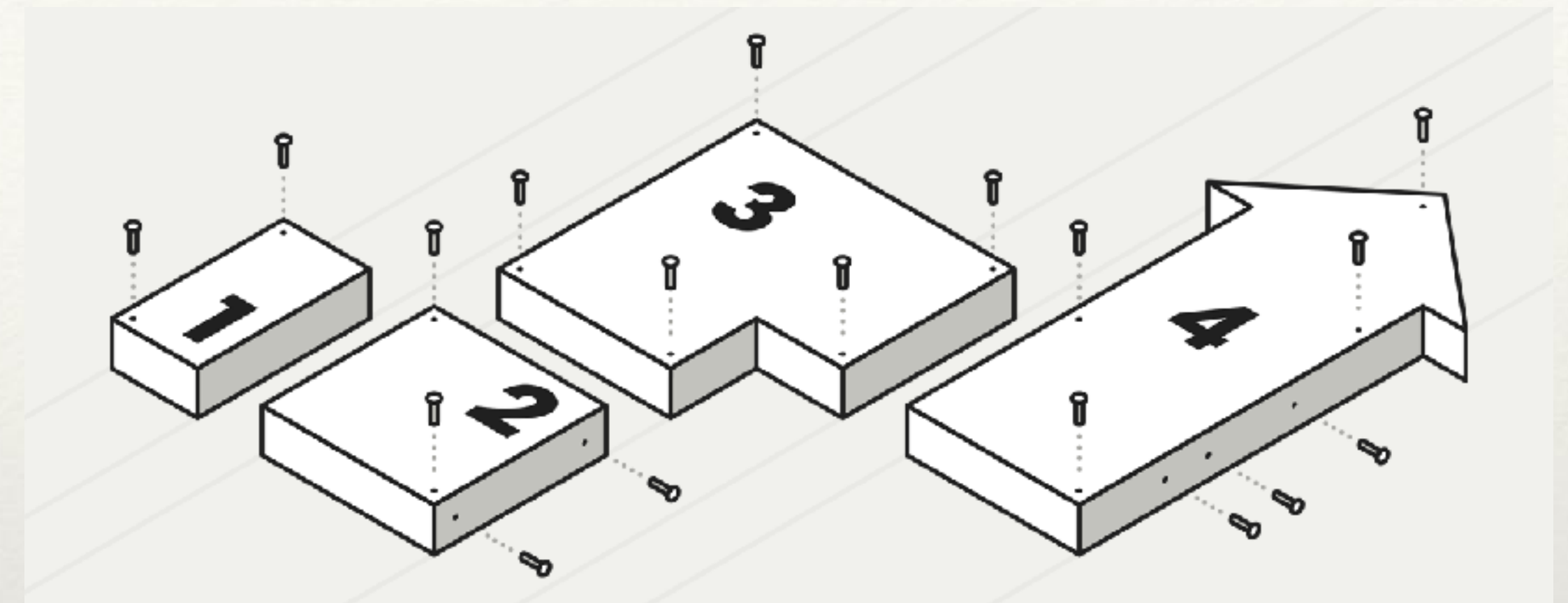
It is an ancient book

it can be difficult to understand

it sometimes seems ambiguous

it is incomplete as a life manual

it can even be contradictory at times





- wisdom is needed to:

- understand what is true

- understand the error of our ways

- make the necessary corrections in our choices

- see the right path to take

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Faithful Teaching

Holy Scriptures