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2 Tim. 3:14ff But as you continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of because you know ~~that~~ those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy scriptures which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

. What is meant by the term all Scripture? The ~~Greek word~~ Greek word graphe is translated Scripture 51 times in the KJV. It is derived from the verb grapho which is translated "describe" once, "write" ¹⁸⁹ ~~100~~ times; "it is written" once, and as a participle used as a noun "a writing" once. This last case is in John 19:19 where it speaks of the writings that Pilate put on the cross. Does graphe mean just any writing? That anything that was written is able to make you wise to salvation? Certainly Not! As to what the term refers to in this case we have the beginning of v. 15: "From ~~from~~ infancy you have known the holy Scripture". It is clear then that Paul is speaking to Timothy about the books that he had known from infancy, and Paul says that these books are able to make him wise to salvation, through faith in Christ Jesus. ~~He~~ He says that all of these books are God-breathed and useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness.

We use this verse to apply to the whole Bible, and of course everything it says it true about the entire Bible. But the immediate statement here is not about the whole Bible but about the OT^o which Timothy had been taught from infancy his youth by his mother. Paul's attitude toward the OT^o was quite different from the attitude of many today. When I ~~we~~ think of this I vividly recall an experience I had ~~when~~ ~~in~~ many years ago.

When I was at Berlin in Germany spending my time studying Semetic languages and other matters related to the OT^o, one of the American students who was working in the NT^o field told me of a very unusual opportunity. He reminded me that