

Scripture:

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)

Materials List:

(1) Wooden Spoon

Main Message:

The message the Bible holds is everlasting and the principles it contains will always be valuable. It is perfect and never needs to fit culture.

Song: *Give Me the Bible*

Lesson:

We have a variety of materials sitting in our kitchen drawers: plastic, metal, silicone to name a few. Why do we all still have wooden spoons? Isn't one of our favorite sayings, "Out with the old and in with the new"? The wooden spoon can be dated back to the Iron Age Celts around 250 BC. That is old! Surely, this is an out dated relic; one that should be thrown out by any self-respecting, modern day cook.

However, before you race to the garbage can, consider the qualities of the wooden spoon. From the beginning it was a popular utensil because it was easy to carve and not very costly. It was and is very durable. A wooden spoon can be sanded and refinished while still keeping its original qualities. It is heat resistant, unlike metal and holds its shape, unlike plastic. It is safe to use as it will not scratch and ruin surfaces.

Maybe it isn't always best to completely disregard the old. When we look at the Bible, we see a perfect example of this thought. Its message is not costly, it will last forever, and despite the intense scrutiny it receives, it will never change. It will not harm us, but instead it tells us how we can be saved from destruction.

I think I will be keeping my wooden spoon. I may be considered old-fashioned for cooking like my mother and her mother before her, but if I come out with the same results, I will consider the job a success.

Prayer: Thank God for giving us the Bible (the way He talks to us). Thank Him also for giving us the avenue of prayer (the way we talk to Him).