Daily Devotion For September 21, 2022

<sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God<sup>[a]</sup> may be thoroughly equipped for every good work." 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Life is a great teacher, or should I say learning from past mistakes is a great teacher. A few days ago I assembled a desk chair for Sherry. Sherry normally uses a folding chair when she sits at her desk for work, but recently she saw online a chair that she thought would be more comfortable for her.

When the chair arrived, I asked Sherry to help read the instructions for me. What I have learned through past mistakes is, read and follow the directions before starting. I used to glance at the instruction and then dig right into assembling hoping the furniture would turn out like the photo. Even though the tools were provided and all the pieces and nuts and bolts, somehow I always managed to have too many or too few parts when I finished.

Through years of trying to do things "my way" I have learned to first follow the instructions that are provided. It is so much easier that way!

You might say that life is a lot like putting together an impossible piece of furniture. We are given a specific, and thorough guide (the bible) that instructs us on how we should live our lives. Yet, we still take to our own devices and try to do things "our way."

**Thought For Today:** Take time to read your bible and seek to follow the instructions God has provided. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 teaches us that God's Word is useful for every good work.

**Today' Prayer Focus:** Thank God for His instruction book the Bible and that he has provided all the tools you need to live a meaningful and significant life. Thank God that Bob McIntyre is on his way to an assisted living facility. Continued prayers for Bob, Pat and Shirley Wong, Tom Gunter, Alan Durant, Nancy Ichiuji, and Anne Bevier. Deo Volente.