

# 1 & 2 TIMOTHY

BE A DISCIPLE | MAKE DISCIPLES

## Honor

### PASSAGES

1 Timothy 5:17-6:2a

### PREPARE (MC LEADER)

1. Before leading your group into studying the passage, take some time to study and pray through the passages yourself.
2. Consider these questions as you engage with the passages that you will discuss with your MC.
  - What do these passages tell me about discipleship?
  - What do these passages tell me about how I am to respond?
  - What do these passages confront in my thinking in regards to discipleship?
  - How might I better accept and entrust my mind, will, and emotions to these principles?

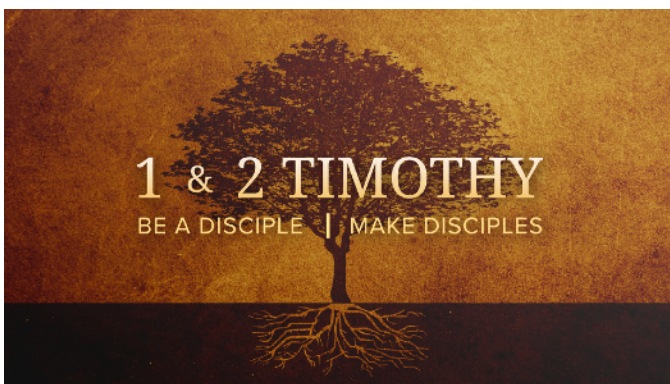
### DISCUSS (GROUP)

1. Review the main principle from the central teaching. (Support with a few key verses)
2. Open up for discussion, questions, or comments about the central teaching.
3. Consider these discussion questions to help your MC engage with the main principles presented in the central teaching.
  - In what ways can you honor the church leaders that you are associated with?
  - Can you see yourself as a leader at some point? What areas do you feel need to be improved to increase your effectiveness as a leader in the future? What is holding you back from moving in that direction today?
  - How might it affect your group if leaders are installed too quickly? What do you think are good ways to assess whether someone is ready to serve as a MC leader? Who could you potentially see as the next leader in you MC? Why?
  - Think of a manager/boss at work. If someone were to ask him/her, "What attributes of Jesus have you experienced through \_\_\_\_\_?" what would they say?
  - If you work outside the home, what Jesus are your co-workers experiencing through you? If you stay at home, what Jesus are you kids experiencing through you?

## APPLY (GROUP)

1. Share your own personal reflections/convictions related to accepting these propositions about being and making disciples through honoring leaders inside the Church and in the workplace.
2. Lead others in recognizing their personal struggles with considering and accepting what God is saying in regards to demonstrating honor to others. [The point here is to spur on some thinking/discussion that will allow the Holy Spirit to bring about some conviction.]
3. Discuss action steps that might need to be taken as individuals and as an MC. Be as practical as possible and consider ways to both encourage each other (pray, text, call, etc) and also hold each other accountable to the actions steps (next week follow-up, etc).

## PRESENTATION SLIDES



**Heart of God**

**Heart of is Love**

1 John 4:8  
Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.

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**Heart of is Love**  
**Demonstrated by Giving is Son**

Romans 5:8  
God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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John 3:16  
For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

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**We become His Child**

John 1:12  
But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God...

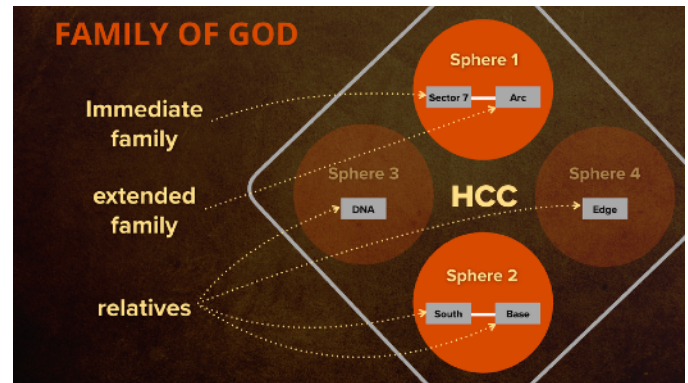
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**We become His Child**  
**Invited in his Mission**

Matthew 28:18-20  
And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..."



# We are the family of God on mission for God



## PRINCIPLE 1

An effective discipleship community has leaders that protect the community from any challenge to the pure gospel.

## PRINCIPLE 2

An effective discipleship community has leaders who model faithfulness in the charge of reproducing gospel living in others

## PRINCIPLE 3

An effective discipleship community has a culture of prayer that is boldly led by men and supportively engaged in by women

## PRINCIPLE 4

An effective discipleship community is led by faithful, mature men who are able to lead others into maturity

## PRINCIPLE 5

An effective discipleship community needs faithful, mature men and women who are able and willing to assist the elders in leading the church toward gospel living.

## PRINCIPLE 6

An effective discipleship community has leaders who are devoted to preserving the community through teaching and modeling.



## PRINCIPLE 7

An effective discipleship community must be discerning with its resources; appropriating them for the greatest potential missional impact.

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## DISCIPLESHIP APPLICATION

*honoring leaders aids in advancing the mission of God*

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## DISCIPLESHIP APPLICATION

*adequate time must be taken to assess people before installing them as leaders*

## 1 TIMOTHY 6:1-2

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*our posture in the workplace puts Jesus on display*

## PRINCIPLE 8

Honoring authority within the Church and outside the Church advances the mission of God

1. In what ways can you honor the church leaders that you are associated with? (Children's Ministry, MC Leaders, Elders)
2. How might it affect your group if leaders are installed too quickly? What do you think are good ways to assess whether someone is ready to serve as a MC leader?
3. If someone were to ask your boss/manager, "What attributes of Jesus have you experienced through \_\_\_\_\_?" what do you think they would say?