

# 1 & 2 TIMOTHY

BE A DISCIPLE | MAKE DISCIPLES

## Gospel Living

### PASSAGES

1 Timothy 1:12-20

### 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 leading questions to help your MC engage with the main principles presented in the central teaching.

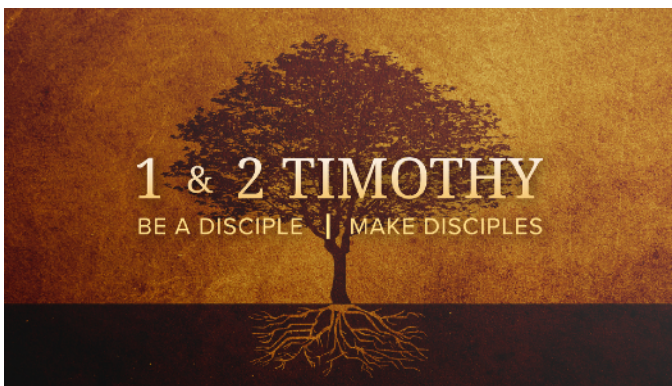
Note: **Gospel living** is receiving the gospel for yourself and owning the charge of passing the gospel onto others.

- What past issues are interfering with your ability to participate more effectively in gospel living?
- How often do you reflect on God's mercy as a means of strength for gospel living?
- Are there models (people) that you can point to who demonstrate faithfulness in gospel living? What attributes of their gospel living encourages you?
- What roadblocks are prohibiting you from modeling faithfulness in gospel living in your missional community?

# APPLY (GROUP)

1. Share your own personal reflections/convictions related to accepting these propositions about being and making disciples.
2. Lead others in recognizing their personal struggles with considering and accepting what God is saying in regards to being and making disciples. 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



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PRINCIPLE 1  
 An effective discipleship community has leaders that protect the community from any challenge to the pure gospel.

DISCIPLESHIP APPLICATION  
*legalism*  
*prosperity gospel*

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<sup>9</sup> ...the law is not laid down for the just but for the lawless and disobedient...and whatever else is contrary to sound doctrine, <sup>11</sup> in accordance with the gospel of the glory of the blessed God with which I have been entrusted.

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<sup>12</sup> I thank him who has given me strength, Christ Jesus our Lord, because he judged me faithful, appointing me to his service, <sup>13</sup> though formerly I was a blasphemer, persecutor, and insolent opponent. But **I received mercy** because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus.

## DISCIPLESHIPAPPLICATION

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Of God's Mercy | Of Jesus' Patience | To Timothy

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<sup>17</sup> To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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The charge that Paul is entrusting to Timothy:

1. Charge of quieting false teachers
2. Charge of overseeing the Church
3. Charge of equipping the Church to be on mission for God

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by command of God our Savior...

<sup>9</sup> The aim of our charge is love...

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## DISCIPLESHIP APPLICATION

*No one is disqualified from being or making a disciple because of their past*

*Sharing your story encourages others in making disciples*

*Equipping the church to make disciples involves waging warfare*

## PRINCIPLE 2

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

## DISCIPLESHIP APPLICATION

*modeling faithfulness in gospel living*

What past issues are interfering with your participation in gospel living?

How often do you reflect on God's mercy as a means of strength?

Who are some models that demonstrate faithfulness in gospel living? What attributes of their gospel living encourages you?

What roadblocks are prohibiting you from modeling faithfulness in gospel living in your missional community?