

1 & 2 TIMOTHY

BE A DISCIPLE | MAKE DISCIPLES

Living Boldly for Jesus

PASSAGES

2 Timothy 1:1-18

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?

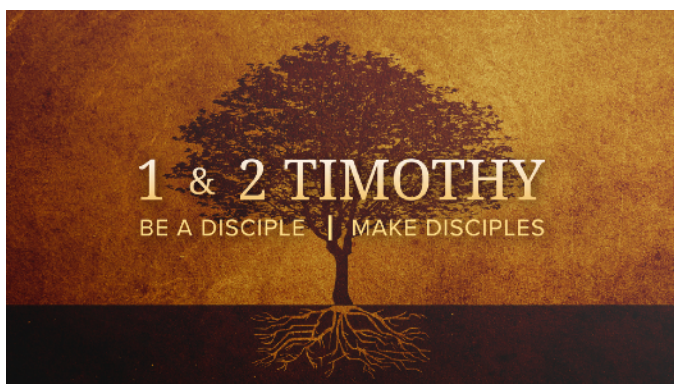
DISCUSS (GROUP)

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 are you living in fear?
 - Do you think your past has anything to do with your present thoughts and living in fear?
 - What does the Bible say about personal change in this area?
 - What are the barriers to experiencing change?
 - Are you willing?

APPLY (GROUP)

1. Share your own personal reflections/convictions related to *living boldly for Jesus* in being and making disciples.
2. Lead others in recognizing their personal struggles with considering and accepting what God is saying in regards to *living boldly for Jesus*. [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



2 TIMOTHY 1:1-5

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² To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

³ I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. ⁴ As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. ⁵ I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

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DISCIPLESHIP APPLICATION

a balance of Truth and Grace is essential for Leaders in communicating with their family of God

2 TIMOTHY 1:6-7

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- Using your Spiritual Gift is God's desire for all believers
- Fanning into Flame that which God has given to us

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1 Corinthians 16:10-11

¹⁰ Now if Timothy comes, see that he is with you **without cause to be afraid**, for he is doing the Lord's work, as I also am. ¹¹ So let no one despise him. But send him on his way in peace, so that he may come to me; for I expect him with the brethren.

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Fear, Timidity -

1. lacking in self-assurance, courage, or bravery; easily alarmed. Concern over the unknown.
2. characterized by *worry* (Finances, Relationships, Past/Current Circumstances, etc.)
3. a distressing emotion aroused by the unknown which causes concern and/or *anxiety*

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Anxiety Disorders affect 18.1 percent of adults in the United States (approximately 40 million adults between the ages of 18 to 54). - National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH).

Current estimates put this number much higher - approximately 30 percent - as many people don't seek help, are misdiagnosed, or don't know they have issues with anxiety.

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Philippians 4:4-6

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice. 5 Let your reasonableness be known to everyone. The Lord is at hand; 6 **do not be anxious about anything**, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

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- Power (dunameos) - strength, humble confidence, ability to stand firm and victorious in this life.
- Love (agapēs) - unconditional, sacrificial
- Self-Control (sōphronismou) - Sober-minded - 1 Timothy 3

FEAR, TIMIDITY	POWER, LOVE & SELF-CONTROL
Feel inadequate, Lack of Confidence, worry, anxiety	Strength, Humble Confidence, Feel Secure and Significant
Mind is set of self	Mind is set on Christ
Capacity to Love is inhibited, Living in Bondage, Fear of Losing control (Pride)	Can Sacrificially Love, Experiencing Freedom
Not Trusting my Mind, Will and Emotions to Christ, Not Stable, Gifts not utilized	Exchanging Lies for Truth, Seeing Christ Work and experiencing restoration and stability

2 TIMOTHY 1:8-10

⁸ Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, **but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God**,

2 TIMOTHY 1:9-10

⁹ who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he **gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began**, ¹⁰ and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our **Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light** through the gospel,

GOSPEL:

- Christ as Creator, Savior, Sustainer and King.

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GOSPEL: Christ as Creator - Colossians 1:15-16

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.

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GOSPEL: Christ as Savior - Ephesians 2:2-5

² And you were dead in the trespasses and sins in which you once walked, following the course of this world..... But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together in Christ—by grace you have been saved

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GOSPEL: Christ as Sustainer - Romans 6:4

We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin.

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GOSPEL: Christ as King - Revelation 21: 3-4

³ And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. ⁴ He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

2 TIMOTHY 1:11-14

¹¹ for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹² which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me. ¹³ Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. ¹⁴ By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

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2 TIMOTHY 1:15-18

¹⁵ You are aware that all who are in Asia turned away from me, among whom are Phygelus and Hermogenes. ¹⁶ May the Lord grant mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains, ¹⁷ but when he arrived in Rome he searched for me earnestly and found me—¹⁸ may the Lord grant him to find mercy from the Lord on that day!—and you well know all the service he rendered at Ephesus.

PRINCIPLE 11

An effective discipleship community
(Family of God)
has leaders who model a life of entrusting themselves to the truth of the gospel and they encourage others to do the same.

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