1 & 2 TIMOTHY BE A DISCIPLE | MAKE DISCIPLES

Suffering Well (2)

PASSAGES

2 Timothy 2:14-26

PRINCIPLE

An effective discipleship community suffers well by addressing internal conflict through knowing and living out the truth of God's Word.

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?

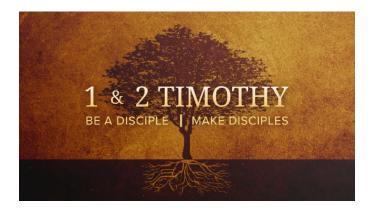
DISCUSS (GROUP)

- 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.
 - Are you negatively critical and at the center of many disputes?
 - How might you honestly evaluate yourself?
 - Do you struggle with dealing with confrontational/toxic people?
 - How might you change this pattern?

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





PRINCIPLE 12

An effective discipleship community suffers well while engaging in His mission. 2 Timothy 2:1-3

2 TIMOTHY 2:14-15

¹⁴ Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to quarrel about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers. ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

2 TIMOTHY 2:16-17

¹⁶ But avoid irreverent babble, for it will lead people into more and more ungodliness, ¹⁷ and their talk will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, ¹⁸ who have swerved from the truth, saying that the resurrection has already happened. They are upsetting the faith of some. ¹⁹ But God's firm foundation stands, bearing this seal: "The Lord knows those who are his," and, "Let everyone who names the name of the Lord depart from iniquity."

"The Lord knows the quality of those who are his"

2 TIMOTHY 2:20-21

²⁰ Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver but also of wood and clay, some for honorable use, some for dishonorable. ²¹ Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.

1 CORINTHIANS 3:13b-15

^{13b} the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. ¹⁴ If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. ¹⁵ If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire.

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ROMANS 8:17

¹⁷ and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

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2 TIMOTHY 2:11-13

¹¹ The saying is trustworthy, for: If we have died with him, we will also live with him; ¹² if we endure, we will also reign with him; if we deny him, he also will deny us; ¹³ if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he connot deny himself.

2 TIMOTHY 2:20-21

²² So flee youthful passions and pursue righteousness, faith, love, and peace, along with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart. ²³ Have nothing to do with foolish, ignorant controversies; you know that they breed quarrels.
²⁴ And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kind to everyone, able to teach, patiently enduring evil,
²⁵ correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant them repentance leading to a knowledge of the truth, ²⁶ and they may come to their senses and escape from the snare of the devil, after being captured by him to do his will.

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DISCIPLESHIPAPPLICATION

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