

A GODLY HERITAGE

2 Timothy 1:5

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"I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that same faith continues strong in you."

Acts 16:1-3 (NLT)

"Paul went first to Derbe and then to Lystra, where there was a young disciple named Timothy. His mother was a Jewish believer, but his father was a Greek. Timothy was well thought of by the believers in Lystra and Iconium, so Paul wanted him to join them on their journey. In deference to the Jews of the area, he arranged for Timothy to be circumcised before they left, for everyone knew that his father was a Greek."

2 Timothy 3:14-15 (NLT)

"But you must remain faithful to the things you have been taught. You know they are true, for you know you can trust those who taught you. You have been taught the holy Scriptures from childhood, and they have given you the wisdom to receive the salvation that comes by trusting in Christ Jesus."

FOR THOUGHT & TALK

In your small group take 5-10 minutes to review the main points of this week's message. Discuss the following questions, taking your time as the Spirit leads, realizing you don't have to cover them all.

- **1. HEAD:** How did you come to faith in Jesus Christ? Who were those who built your spiritual foundation?
- **2. HEART:** Think about your physical and spiritual mothers and fathers. What did they do to share their life and faith with you? How did that affect your journey of following Jesus?
- **3. HAND:** If they are still alive, will you reach out to them today and thank them for their spiritual investment in your life? Are there any other people who have built a spiritual foundation in your life? If so, take time to thank them as well.
- **4. HABITS:** What can you do to become a spiritual "mother" or "father" to others? Are you active in discipling others in their faith to a more mature walk with Christ? If not, what steps can you take to begin this exciting adventure of discipleship?