

# Faithful Discipleship

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2 Timothy 3:10-17

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## Snapshot:

The Lord uses discipleship to teach us to faithfully continue in His Word.

- I. Discipleship is relational (3:10–11, 14)
- II. Discipleship is counter-cultural (3:12, 13)
- III. Discipleship is formational (3:14–17)

## Connect

*How have you experienced discipleship in your life?*

## Study

### Point 1: Discipleship is relational (3:10–11, 14)

*READ 2 Timothy 1:3–7, 13–14, 2:1–2; 4:1, 2*

1) How does Paul help us see that discipleship is relational? What do these different relationships look like in the passages above? How do you see similar relationships at Hauser Community Church?

2) Discuss as a group how you are presently being discipled and how you are discipling others. If you are not discipling others, what is the reason(s)? Why is it important for discipleship to be accomplished within relationships in the church?

### Point 2: Discipleship is counter-cultural (3:12, 13)

*READ 2 Timothy 3:1–9; 4:1–5*

*NOTE: By counter-cultural, I do not mean that culture is a bad thing, the Lord places us in cultures and we can celebrate those cultures. However, any culture without Christ is going to go in a destructive direction. The gospel works to redeem cultures, redirecting idolatrous ideas to see the true meaning of life and the kingdom of God.*

3) What do these verses tell you about the direction the world without the gospel is going? Why do you think Paul lays this list out for Timothy? What does this tell you about the importance and necessity of discipleship? How does this help you understand 2 Tim 3:12, “*Indeed, all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted*”?

4) What would it look like for the gospel to transform the culture we live in? Think of the culture you grew up in; how has discipleship helped you move toward godliness? How have you been persecuted or suffered for desiring to live a godly life?

**Point 3: Discipleship is formational (3:14–17)**

*READ 2 Timothy 3:14–17; Genesis 2:7, 8*

5) From whom did Timothy learn (3:14)? What does this passage teach about the importance of discipling children? What does this text teach you about the Old Testament Scriptures?

6) How does Genesis 2:7, 8 help you understand what Paul is saying in 2 Timothy 3:16, 17? What does it look like for Scripture to make us “complete”? How does Scripture equip us “for every good work”? What specific way will you apply this passage to your life?

## Memorizing

*“All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work” (2 Timothy 3:16, 17)*

## Preparing for next week

**Read:** Isaiah 40

**Ask:** questions of the text

**Pray:** through text, for the pastor as he prepares, for your heart to hear, for the congregation to hear, for all of us to be obedient.