

Talk 11: A Releasing People

Overview

On Sunday we looked at our fifth value as a Church which is "We encourage, empower and release people into their Holy Spirit given calling and gifting." This talk was all about how we want to see every person in the Church empowered to live out what God has called them and given them to do. We want to love sacrificially, celebrate each other's successes and cultivate a culture of honour. We looked at how in order for us to do this the first key is we must be intentional in investing in others. We must see the importance of a discipleship culture, mentoring one another to grow into all the God has called us to be. We must also look to release others, never holding people back but striving to see one another running in our lane and serving God with the gifts he has given us.

Scripture

2 Timothy 2:1-7

Questions

1. Why do you think it is important that we are "Strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus" if we want to be a releasing people? What challenges do we face when trying to live out this value?
2. What do you think Paul means when he says in verse 2 that "what we have learnt we should entrust to others"? How are you doing at "entrusting what you have to others"?
3. Why do you think Paul connects releasing others with suffering? Have you ever experienced the suffering because of releasing?
4. Pauls gives 3 different examples to make the same point in verses 4-6. What do you think we can learn from each metaphor?