

SERMON NOTES



FAITHFUL WHEN WE FEEL ASHAMED

2 Timothy 1:8-12

BIG IDEA We don't have to be ashamed of our belief in the gospel because we can faithfully embrace suffering in God's power, anchor our hearts in His sufficient grace, and rest our confidence in his unchanging character.

APPLICATION GUIDE

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DISCUSS

Can you recall a time when you felt nervous or hesitant about sharing your faith? What made it challenging?

Have you ever witnessed someone courageously stand up for their beliefs, even in the face of opposition? How did it impact you?

APPLY

What are some situations where you might feel tempted to be ashamed of your faith in Christ? How can you prepare yourself to respond with courage?

In what ways can embracing suffering for the gospel strengthen your faith and deepen your relationship with God?

How does anchoring your hope in God's grace give you the confidence to stand firm in your beliefs, even when others mock or reject you?

Paul rooted his confidence in the character of God. How can you cultivate a similar trust in God's faithfulness to help you remain unashamed of the gospel?

COMMIT

Will you take a moment today to examine your heart and identify any areas where you've been hesitant or ashamed to stand for Christ? Will you commit to leaning on God's power to embrace suffering, anchoring your hope in His grace, and trusting in His unchanging character, so that in every situation, you can boldly live out your faith, unashamed of the gospel?