

EASTER

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Scriptures for further study

1 Corinthians 1:2 | 1 Thessalonians 4:7 | Ephesians 1:3-14

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

2 Timothy 1:8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, 9 who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, 10 and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel ...

Within the context of 2 Timothy 1:7-14, work through the following questions as time allows:

1. In what way did Paul describe the gospel? What kept Paul from being ashamed of the gospel? What keeps you from being ashamed?
2. When was God's grace given to us according to Paul? Why is it important to understand that God's grace is not earned by works? How do these things help us during times of suffering?
3. What things had Paul been entrusted with? How does Jesus guard these things on our behalf?
4. Do you know anyone who is suffering? Do you think that you could take time this week to encourage them by visiting with them and telling them what their testimony has meant to you personally?
5. What gifts do you believe that God has given you? Have you been actively using them to encourage others in their walk with Christ?
6. Could you take time this week to pray for those who are now suffering persecution for Christ's sake?