DGROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE



"Terrible Times" (Chapter 3) Dear Timothy... Pastor Bryan James October 8, 2023

WELCOME What is the funniest thing you heard today?

WORSHIP "Your Word Stands Firm"

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RtL5ndCGTsI

WORD 2 Timothy 3

Read 2 Timothy 3 and answer the following questions:

- 1. What stood out to you the most in the message? Why?
- 2. "Avoid such people" (verse 5). What 'people' is Paul referring to? What types of people does Pastor Bryan use to illustrate this today?
- 3. What does it mean to believe in the power of the Cross?
- 4. Discuss the ministry of the Holy Spirit. What is it and how does He work in the believer's spiritual journey (salvation to sanctification)?
- 5. What are consequences of leadership that is not strong/loyal to God's word (i.e., they don't obey or believe in the word of God and transforming power of Holy Spirit)?
- 6. In what situations can you see God's word get deplatformed and the will of man be exalted? How can you guard against this snare?
- 7. What are the charges Paul is giving to Timothy to prepare him for the ministry ahead? How can we apply Paul's words to our ministry, individually and as a church?
- 8. What is God impressing upon you after hearing the message? Is there anything you need to do about it?

WITNESS Pastor Bryan shared how he would preach to someone struggling with homosexuality —he would preach the Gospel and the power of the Cross, beginning with Genesis and connecting it with John. Relisten and think about what you would say to someone struggling with any type of sin. Ask God for increased faith and conviction in His Word and opportunities to speak truth to those stuck living a lifestyle of sin.