

## WELCOME What is your favorite book/song/movie? Why?

## **WORSHIP** *"I Set My Hope (Hymn for a Deconstructing Friend)"* <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q-dWxto9-XQ</u>

## WORD <u>2 Timothy 2</u>

- 1. What stood out to you the most in the message? Why?
- 2. **Read 2 Timothy 2:1-2.** According to Paul's words to Timothy and Pastor Bryan's words to us, what do you think the purpose and passion of every godly leader should be?
- 3. **Read verses 3-4.** What does Paul mean when he says, "Don't get entangled in civilian affairs"? How can you apply that instruction to good Christian 'soldiers' today?
- 4. (Reference vv. 3-4) What did Pastor Bryan say is a 'fatal flaw for those who are called to be a leader in the church'? What are the possible outcomes of a leader who falls into this snare?
- 5. **Read verses 5-7.** Before hearing the message, how did you interpret verse 6? How do you interpret it now?
- 6. **Read verses 8-13.** Pastor Bryan shared an illustration from the quarterback throwing a ball and getting clobbered right after. Discuss the illustration and what it represents (i.e., How does it apply to being prepared to suffer for the word of Christ?).
- 7. **Read verses 14-19**. We are people who have influence over people. What wisdom can we glean from Paul's warnings and instructions?
- 8. **Read verses 20-21.** What does it mean to be a vessel of gold and silver vs. wood and clay? (Hint: The higher and lower wisdom.) Do you typically operate in the higher or lower wisdom?
- Read verses 22-24. As God's people called to espouse the Truth (the higher wisdom of God!), we must not be quarrelsome, resentful. What method of questions did Pastor Bryan teach to 'reverse engineer' falling into the devil's trap/snare? Apply it to a situation.

**WTNESS** Consider the higher wisdom of God vs. the lower wisdom of this world as others in your life share their problems/burdens with you. Pray and ask for HIS wisdom so that you might speak Truth to them, that comes embedded with hope, power—LIFE.