

## May 4, 2025

*“Whoever guards his mouth preserves his life; he who opens wide his lips comes to ruin.” Proverbs 13:3* Find the **May** Two-Year Reading Plan at the Welcome Desk and on our website. A One-Year Plan is also available.

**Monthly Fellowship Meal:** This Wednesday, May 7, at 5:15pm in the Chapel/Café. We're having soft taco bar, Mexican corn, salad bar, & dessert; \$4/adult, \$3/kids (12 and under). Sign up online through TODAY!

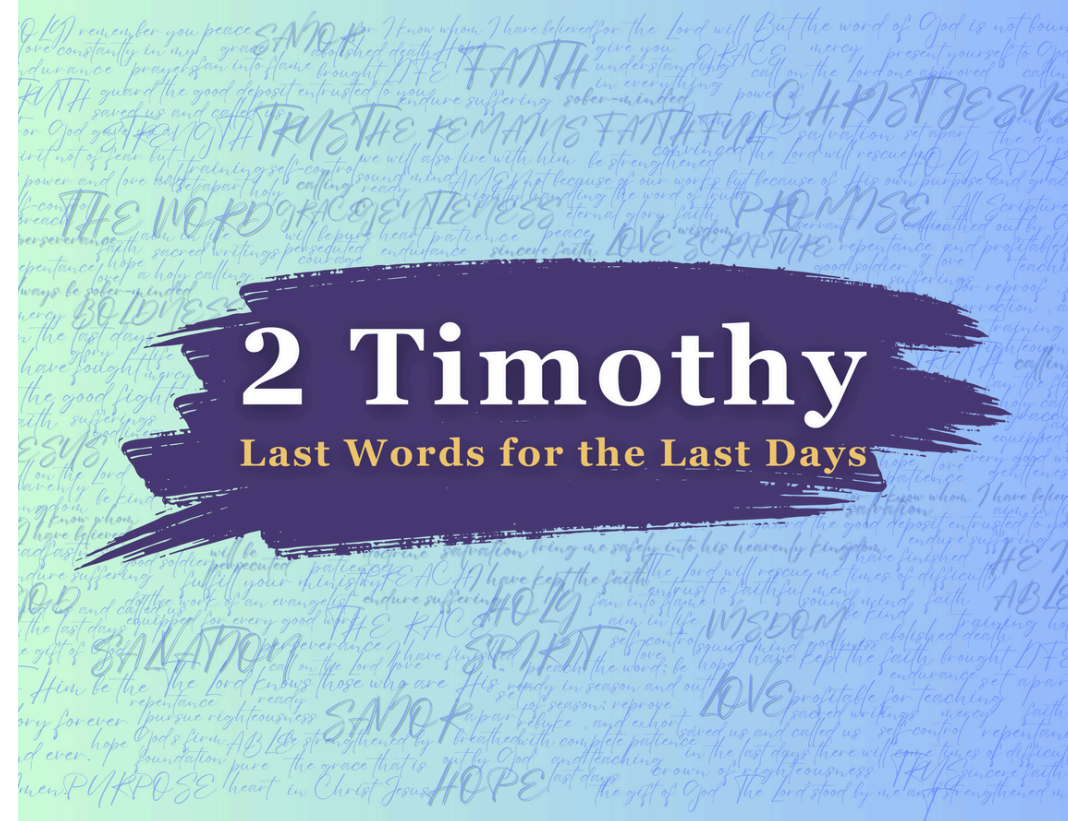
**Stamp Out Starvation:** Saturday, May 17, 9-11am This ministry provides meals to children overseas and right here in Oklahoma. Come help package food in the gym and pray for God to bless and grow this ministry to those in need. Contact Dennis at [dennislmcgee@yahoo.com](mailto:dennislmcgee@yahoo.com) for more info.

**Life Adult (60 & up) Luncheon:** Sunday, May 18 Chapel/Café right after the worship service. Sign up by Sunday, May 11 at the Welcome Desk or by calling the church office at 405-720-1449.

**All Church Picnic:** Sunday, May 25, 5:30pm, Mitch Park—Join us for food and fellowship at Mitch Park in Edmond as we gather like the early church. Hamburgers and hot dogs are provided. Please bring the following if your last name begins with **A–F** Dessert, **G–N** Side/Veggie, **O–Z** Salad (i.e. fruit, potato, etc.).

**Vacation Bible School – “Wonder Junction” – June 23-26, 6:15-8:30pm.** Kids 3 years old (by Sept. 2024) through 6th grade are invited to saddle up for a wild adventure at Wonder Junction! This Western-themed VBS will help kids explore who Jesus is and what He’s done for them. Online registration is now open. For more info, email [shawn@heritageokc.org](mailto:shawn@heritageokc.org).

**Volunteers** needed in our Children's Ministry. **Current needs** include a helper for **every other month** on Sundays with **Babies** and **Kindergarden**. For details, email [shawn@heritageokc.org](mailto:shawn@heritageokc.org) or stop by the Children's Desk.



As a family of forgiven people, we are honored that you have joined with us today as we seek to develop people who delight in God and declare His glory—from our neighborhoods to the nations. Our prayer is that you will connect with God through Christ this morning and that this would be the beginning of a deep connection with other believers as well. Please take a moment to fill out the Communication Card located in the chair pocket near you and place it in an offering pedestal in the back of the Worship Center.

# Develop Delight Declare



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**Call to Worship**

*James 1:16-17*

**Pastoral Prayer**

*Chad “Kicker” Kositzky*

*Student Pastor*

**Songs of Worship**

*All Creatures of  
Our God and King*

*The Everlasting  
Love of God*

**Scripture Reading**

*Psalms 27:1-6*

**Songs of Worship**

*Psalms 27*

*(The Lord Is My Light)*

*He Will Hold Me Fast*

**Message**

*Marty Brown  
Teaching Pastor*

**Song of Response**

*He Will Hold Me Fast*

“Though some people may seem to be naturally gifted at encouraging and uplifting other people, the Bible makes it clear that we’re all to be encouragers. According to Scripture, encouragement is to be a regular part of our interaction with other people. This necessarily means that we must spend time with other people for the purpose of knowing their needs, their struggles, and how best they may be encouraged.”

~ Wayne Mack

“The faintest whisper of support and encouragement uttered by a Christian in the ears of his fellow believer is heard in heaven.”

~ John Murray

“To derive the fullest comfort and encouragement from Romans 8:28 we must realize that God is at work in a proactive, not reactive, fashion. That is, God does not just respond to an adversity in our lives to make the best of a bad situation. He knows before He initiates or permits the adversity exactly how He will use it for our good.”

~ Jerry Bridges

“A ministry mentor, John MacArthur, has said to me on numerous occasions that ‘when a man falls, he doesn’t fall far.’ In other words, a serious breach of leadership integrity does not occur in a vacuum. Men who have, by the grace of God, forged a pattern of moral veracity are not suddenly seduced by a life of lies and hypocrisy. Betrayal of this sort slowly percolates out of the heart over time with a host of smaller, virtually undetected compromises. When an integrity scandal breaks, the fall of that leader is more like a short hop!”

~ Jerry Wragg

## **Saints and Sinners - Part 1**

**II Timothy 4:9-10**

**Big Truth of this Series:** The apostle Paul encourages and warns Timothy and all believers to follow, entrust, and be always ready to proclaim God’s Word with confidence and joy as days of difficulty lie ahead.

**Big Truth of Today’s Message:** God uses every relationship in our lives, some encouraging and others discouraging, to shape us into the image of Christ.

v. 9 – “Do your best to come to me soon.

v. 10a – For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica.”