

A Mother's Holy Deposit

2 Timothy 1:3-5


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Sermon Notes

2 Timothy 1:3–5 (ESV)

³I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day.

⁴As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy.

⁵I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.

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(Answer key located on the last page)

INTRODUCTION: THE RELAY RACE

Every family is running a _____ relay race.

The baton is _____.

These deposits were not _____ or _____ . They were _____ , strategic investments into a _____ account.

I. THE SINCERITY OF FAITH DEPOSIT

2 Timothy 1:5a — “I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice...”

The word ‘sincere’ means _____.

The word ‘dwelt’ means to _____
— faith didn’t just visit. It moved in and stayed.

Paul says faith ‘dwelt first’ in Lois and Eunice before it dwelt in Timothy. You cannot give away what you don’t _____.

Think of sincere faith as a _____. The soil must be prepared, seeds planted intentionally, watered consistently.

What grew in Timothy was so magnificent that decades later, Paul was still pointing to it as a model of _____ faith.

Faith is not _____ — each child must personally come to faith in Jesus Christ.

A _____ mother is the hallmark of sincere faith.
Prayer is the _____ of authentic faith.

APPLICATION: This week, take one concrete step to make your faith visible at home. What will you do?

II. THE SURPASSING OF GENERATIONAL FAITH DEPOSITS

2 Timothy 1:5b — “...and now, I am sure, this same faith dwells in you as well.”

The word ‘sure’ means _____ —
settled beyond doubt.

Generational faith doesn’t stay in one _____, and
it doesn’t stay in one _____.

The most stunning thing about generational faith is not how it
_____. It’s where it _____.

APPLICATION: Start a Faith Legacy notebook this week. Write
one prayer and one Scripture for your child’s future:

POINTING TO CHRIST

Every generation of faithful mothers is ultimately passing forward
one message: _____ is Lord.

A mother’s love is a _____ of the Savior’s love.

The baton every faithful mother carries is the
_____ of Jesus Christ.

NEXT STEPS

1. Read 2 Timothy 1:1–7 this week and reflect on the legacy of faith in your own family.
2. Identify one sincere faith deposit you will make this week — a bedtime prayer, a Scripture shared at dinner, or an honest conversation about your faith.

Answer Key

INTRODUCTION

KINGDOM | THE SAVING
GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST. |
SMALL | INVISIBLE. | ETERNAL |
GENERATIONAL

I. THE SINCERITY OF FAITH DEPOSIT

WITHOUT HYPOCRISY | TAKE UP
RESIDENCE | HAVE | SEED | GENUINE
| HEREDITARY | PRAYING |
SIGNATURE

II. THE SURPASSING OF GENERATIONAL FAITH DEPOSITS

FULLY PERSUADED | PLACE | PERSON | STARTS | GOES

POINTING TO CHRIST

JESUS | MIRROR | GOSPEL

The Good News

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:1)

The Bad News

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
(Romans 3:23)

The Ugly News

For the wages of sin is death, ... (Romans 6:23a)

The Great News

... but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Romans 6:23a)

Guess What?

You can become a Christian right now and experience salvation and the gift of eternal life through God's Son the Lord Jesus Christ! Simply Pray this Prayer Right Now! **"God thank you for Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins.**

Thank you for receiving what Jesus did for me on the cross as payment for my sins. Please forgive me for my sins. Right now I accept Jesus into my heart and ask that he become my Savior and Lord! Amen!"

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. (Romans 10:9-10)

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