

Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions, and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step. If you are leading a group through this guide, don't feel like you have to answer every question. Pick out those questions that will stir up conversation and action among your group.

· Who is someone that you look up to and try to be more like? In what ways do you strive to be more like them?

With your Bible or YouVersion, read 1 Corinthians 4:15-17 and Titus 2:3-5.

These passages emphasize the importance of having a spiritual family in our lives.

- How have spiritual mothers or fathers impacted your life and shaped who you are today?
- Why is it so important that we have a spiritual family?

Read Acts 16:29-30, Philippians 4:9, and Romans 12:10.

These verses offer us a blueprint of what it looks like to be a Timothy (spiritual son or daughter).

- In what areas of your life do you feel the need to be a Timothy and have a Paul mentor you?
- Describe a time when you put into practice something you learned from a mentor. What did you learn from your experience?
- · What are some ways you show honor to those who mentor and influence you?

Read Titus 2:7-8, Psalm 145:4-6 and 1 Thessalonians 2:8.

These verses show us what it looks like to be a Paul (a spiritual mother or father) to another person.

- In what ways do you feel unqualified to be a Paul? How can you go about growing in those areas?
- · What unique experiences have you had in your life that you feel would be beneficial in sharing with others?
- Who is God calling you to be Paul to? What will be your next step in beginning that relationship?

NEXT STEPS

Here are some specific things you can do this week that will help you find a Paul to mentor you or to become a Paul to someone else:

If are you looking to be a Timothy and have a Paul mentor you in your life, begin your process by asking God to bring that Paul into your life. Next, indentify the area of your life that you want a Paul to mentor you in. Finally, talk with those whom you look up to and feel would be good mentors such as a LifeGroup leader, teacher, friend, or a pastor.

Ready or not, someone needs you to be a Paul in their life! Begin the process by asking God to send you a Timothy. Discuss your desire with one of your mentors and gain their guidance on your next steps. Ask about opportunities to become a Paul at church such as leading a group of students, or serving with kids.

Talk It Over with God:

- Thank God for the spiritual family He has placed in your life that have helped you grow spiritually.
- Confess those areas of your life to God where you feel unqualified to be a Paul. Ask God to strengthen those areas.
- Ask God to help prepare you to become a Paul to someone else. Ask Him to bring you Timothys.
- Ask God to continue bringing Pauls into your life that will mentor you and lead you spiritually.
- Commit to God that you will strive to develop deeper relationship with your spiritual family and allow them to speak truth into your life.

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