

*Theme 2026*

## **Building Together**

2 Timothy 2:20-21

**Opener:** What stood out to you or got you thinking about the theme for the year, “Building Together”?

### **Read 2 Timothy 2:20-21**

1. What is the cleansing that Paul tells Timothy is necessary to be an instrument for a special purpose in God’s household? How do you put this into practice in your life?
2. What happens to those who “cleanse themselves”? What can you expect the Lord to do in your life? Through your life?
3. What makes one “ready for any good work”? What might this mean for how God will use you in the church?

### **Read Ephesians 4:11-16**

4. How is the body of Christ built up so that everyone develops mature faith, knowledge of Jesus, and Christlikeness?
5. Reflect and comment on how you approach engaging in a church community and how well it matches what Paul is describing here.
6. Works of service by everyone in the church create an effective discipleship environment among a community of believers. What happens when some among a community of believers exempt themselves from doing works of service?
7. Part of the design for a healthy church is that its members “speak the truth in love” to one another. How might a small group of believers weekly engage in speaking the truth in love with one another?
8. What are some of the most useful ways believers can build up others in love? What work can you do that would build up others in love?

**Closing:** What is the Holy Spirit leading you to do in response to what you have considered today in God’s Word?