

GRACE TO ENDURE

2 TIMOTHY 1:1-11

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NOTES:

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS:

Icebreaker: What traits have you inherited from your father's side? What traits have you inherited from your mother's side?

Have everyone spend time reading **2 Timothy 1:1-11** quietly to themselves. After a few minutes, either have one person read the passage for the group or have each person take turns reading a portion until the entire passage has been read.

1. Was there anything from this past week's sermon that stood out to you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that confused you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that invoked an emotion? If so, what was it?
2. Observations about this passage: Who was the audience or the characters? Do you relate to any characters in this passage, if so, who and why? What does this passage tell us about sinful man? What do we learn about God or Jesus from reading this passage, and how does that impact the way we love people and love God?
3. What questions arise from reading this passage? Is there anything from this passage that sticks out to you personally; if so, what?
4. Who were the family or friends who had the greatest impact on your faith? Explain how they impacted your love for God. In this passage, do you relate more to Paul or Timothy? Explain your answer.
5. Timothy, a young Christian leader, found himself struggling to be bold in his faith during a period of time in which the Roman government was persecuting Christians; Paul reminds him to "fan into flame the gift of God." What did Paul mean by this? When was a time that your passion for Christ and his mission was reawakened after a season of dryness?
6. How did Paul encourage Timothy in the passage we read? How can we encourage brothers and sisters in Christ who show timidity when it comes to their faith?
7. Next Steps: If you were to eliminate any sort of "spirit of timidity" and rest in a "spirit of power, love, and self-discipline," how would you use your gifts to advance the kingdom of God?