

Scripture this week:

2 Timothy 1:8-12

⁸Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, ⁹who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, ¹⁰and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, ¹¹for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, ¹²which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me.

Never Being Afraid of Promoting Jesus

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Paul encourages his beloved Timothy to always be bold in testifying about Jesus, but along with the encouragement also provides Timothy with the source of that boldness. It's a source that when embraced will embolden us.

The Encouragement: Promote Jesus fearlessly.

The Source: God emboldens us to promote Jesus fearlessly.

The Example: God emboldened Paul to promote Jesus fearlessly.

Life Group Questions:
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Notes:

1. As Paul encourages Timothy not to be ashamed, he points to some of the foundations of the gospel. List them in your own words (vv. 9-10).
2. According to Paul in v. 12, why is he in jail?
3. Also in v.12, what has empowered Paul to be bold for (not ashamed of) the gospel?
4. Timothy is a preacher and leader. Why does Paul give him so much basic theology that Timothy already knows?
5. What is Paul's proof for Timothy that these truths will be helpful to him?
6. If someone were to try to encourage us with these truths during a tough time, would it be helpful? Why or why not?
7. Where are we tempted to be ashamed of the gospel? How can we encourage one another to be bold?