

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 1:1-2 and notice any words that are repeated. (b) Why do you think Paul sets forth Christ in these two verses?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 1:1 (I would encourage you to memorize the epistle of 2 Timothy. It is short and it will bless you immensely!)

3. (a) Read 2 Timothy. What theme would you give this short epistle? (b) If the “time for your departure was at hand, what words would you like to pass on to others?”

4. (a) What facts do you learn about Timothy from the following verses? Acts 16:1-5; 17:14-15; Acts 19:22; Acts 20:4; Romans 16:21; 1 Corinthians 4:17; Philippians 2:19-23; 1 Thessalonians 3:1-2; 1 Timothy 1:2; 1 Timothy 5:23; 1 Timothy 6:20; Hebrews 13:23 (b) How would you summarize Timothy’s character?

5. (a) What does the promise of eternal life mean to you? (b) What would it mean to you if you were facing death?

6. (a) In what ways do you personally hold fast to the truth? (b) In what ways do you see Christendom departing from the truth?

7. What do you hope to gain from this study? Please write your thoughts in the form of a prayer request.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 1:3-5. What people are mentioned in these verses and what do you learn about them? (b) How do you think Timothy would have received these words from Paul?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 1:5.

3. (a) Paul writes to Timothy in 2 Timothy 1:3 regarding the fact that he prays night and day for him. What would be some of the prayer requests that Paul might pray for his son in the faith? You might need to do some further study about Timothy from the word of God to get your answers! (b) Why do you think it is necessary to pray for those we mentor? (This could be another woman, a child, a grandchild, etc.)

4. (a) Paul also mentions in 2 Timothy 1:5 that Timothy's faith was genuine. In thinking about Timothy's life, in what ways did he demonstrate genuine faith? (Again, you will need to do some further study from the Word to discover this answer.) (b) What are the marks of genuine faith? Prove your answer from the word of God.

5. (a) Timothy's mother and grandmother had great impact on his Christian faith according to 2 Timothy 1:5 and 2 Timothy 3:15. What other mothers or grandmothers mentioned in the Bible had a godly impact on their children/grandchildren? (b) What mothers or grandmothers influenced their children/grandchildren for evil? (c) What lessons, either good or bad, do you learn for your own life by their examples?

6. (a) Who were the ones who did and/or are influencing you in your spiritual walk? (b) What qualities of Christ in them have impacted you? (c) What are some ways we as women can influence the younger generation (our children, grandchildren or others) for the gospel?

7. Either write a prayer of thanks to God for those who have influenced your life and /or write a prayer of petition regarding those whom God has placed in your life that you are influencing.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 1:6-7. Why would Paul need to remind Timothy to stir up the gifts that were given to him by God? (b) What are some of the other reminders he passes on to him? (c) If you could pass on four truths to those you disciple, what would they be, and why?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 1:6-7.

3. (a) Paul mentions to Timothy in 2 Timothy 1:7 that God has not given us a spirit of fear, but he has given us power, love and a sound mind. With that in mind, read Exodus chapters 3 and 4 and answer the following questions. (b) Who was fearful to obey what God asked of him? (c) What were the excuses he gave? (d) What counsel did God give Moses? (e) What principles do you glean from this story, especially regarding fear in serving the Lord?

4. (a) Instead of fear, God gives us power, love and a sound mind as we use our gifts. (b) With that in mind, read 1 Corinthians 13 and write down what happens when we don't use our gifts in love. (b) Why is it important that our spiritual gifts be exercised with the power of God according to 1 Corinthians 2:1-5? (c) Why is it necessary that we be of sound mind (or sober-minded) according to 1 Peter 4:7-11? (By the way this passage is dealing with the using of our spiritual gifts.)

5. (a) Do you know what your spiritual gifts are? If so, are you excelling and growing in using them or are you becoming stagnant in your service to God? (By the way, if you do not know what your gifts are, I would encourage you to find out and begin using them. God created you for good works for His glory!) (b) How can one overcome any fear they might have when using their gifts?

6. (a) Do you think it is sinful to not use your spiritual gifts? (Use Scripture to prove your answer) (b) How can we encourage other believers who are not using their gifts to begin using them?

7. How can you improve your service to God and others? In what ways should you be excelling in the spiritual gifts you possess? Please put your needs in the form of a prayer request.

The Mighty Power of God

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 1: 8-11. What are the commandments in this passage? (b) What are the warnings in this passage? (c) What are the promises in this passage?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 1:8.

3. (a) Paul mentions throughout this passage what God's power can do. List those that you see. (b)What other things do you learn about the power of God from Deuteronomy 9:29; Psalm 78:26; Jeremiah 10:12; Luke 4:36; Luke 5:24; Luke 12:5; Luke 21:27; John 10:18; 1 Peter 1:5 and Revelation 19:1? (c) How do these verses encourage you when thinking about the power of God helping you during suffering? (d) Can you tell a time when God's power aided you during a time of suffering? (e) How would you describe God's power?

4. (a) What happens when we partake in the sufferings of our Lord according to Philippians 3:10; Colossians 1:24; 2 Timothy 2:11, 12 and 1 Peter 4:12-16? (b)Why do some have difficulty suffering for the Lord?

5. Cite an example in Scripture where God's power was manifested on an individual or a situation. How does the example encourage you in your daily walk?

6. (a) What could have been some of the reasons that Timothy was ashamed? (b)What is the danger of being ashamed of the Lord according to Matthew 26:69-75 and Mark 8:38? (c) What are some ways we exhibit being ashamed of our Lord?

7. What has God's power done in your life? Write a praise to the Lord for His mighty power to share with your group.

1. (a) What are the doctrinal truths that Paul is convinced of according to 2 Timothy 1:12-14? (b) What are his desires for his spiritual son, Timothy?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 1:13.

3. (a) What are some of the sufferings that the apostle Paul went through as seen in 2 Corinthians 6:1- 10 and 2 Corinthians 11:16-33? (b) Also make note of his attitudes in his sufferings in these passages along with 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. (c) What are some sufferings you see fellow believers going through? (d) What attitudes have you observed in others in their sufferings that have encouraged you in your own sufferings?

4. (a) Paul says in 2 Timothy 1:12 that he is persuaded that God is able to keep that which he has committed unto Him. What else is Paul persuaded about according to Romans 4:21, Romans 8:38-39 and 2 Timothy 1:5? (b) What things are you convinced of regarding your Christian faith?

5. (a) Why is it essential to hold fast to sound doctrine according to Psalm 19:7-11 and 1 Peter 2:2? (b) What happens if we receive false teaching according to Jeremiah 23:16; Matthew 24:11; Titus 1:10-11; 2 Peter 2:1-3 and 2 Peter 3:17-18? (c) Are you listening to doctrine that is true or false? How do you know? (d) In what ways do you hold fast to sound teaching?

6. (a) What doctrinal truths are you convinced of? (You might want to write a confession of your faith in a sentence or two!) (b) How do you plan to hold fast to the truth you have been taught?

7. After studying this lesson, what has the Lord challenged or convicted you of? Please write a request for your group.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 1:15-18. What are the contrasts between the two men mentioned in verse 15 and the one man mentioned in verses 16-18? (b) Why do you think Paul wants God to have mercy on Onesiphorus on that day? (See verses 16-18)

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 1:16.

3. (a) Paul mentions in 2 Timothy 1:16 Onesiphorus often refreshed him. (This would be ministering to him during his sufferings.) Read the following passages and answer the questions who is being refreshed, who is refreshing them and what are the circumstances? Exodus 17:8-16; I Samuel 25:4-35; 1 Kings 19:1-8; Jeremiah 38:1-13; Matthew 4:1-11; Matthew 27:27-32. (b) What are some principles you can glean for your own life?

4. (a) Who else in Scripture defected from the faith and what do you learn from their example? Endeavor to list at least 2 examples. (b) What are the best ways to make sure we are making our calling and election sure according to 2 Peter 1:3-11?

5. (a) Paul mentions to Timothy that Onesiphorus ministered to him at Ephesus in 2 Timothy 1:18. Read Acts 19:23-41 to discover what could have been the circumstances surrounding this. (b) In what ways could have Onesiphorus ministered to Paul at this time?

6. (a) Share a time in your life when someone refreshed you during a trying time. (b) Who are those whom you encourage in the ministry and how do you refresh them? (c) In what ways have others refreshed you and how has it been an encouragement to you? Make it your goal each day to be an encouragement to at least one person (be an Onesiphorus).

7. After meditating on this lesson, how can you be a better encouragement to others? Write your thoughts in a prayer request. (And remember to be a doer of the Word and not just a hearer!)

1. (a) What does Paul call Timothy in 2 Timothy 2:1? (b) What other things does Paul say about Timothy in: Philippians 2:19-24; 1 Timothy 1:2; 1:18; 2 Timothy 1:2.

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 2:2.

3. (a) What do Matthew 28:18-20 and Titus 2:1-5 say about discipling others? (b) How would you define discipleship?

4. (a) Paul mentions that Timothy is to pass on to other men the things he has taught him. Skim Acts 16-20 to see what truths Timothy heard from Paul's teaching that needed to be passed down to others. (b) What truths do you think are essential to pass down to the next generation? (c) What valuable truths have been passed on to you by others?

5. (a) What is the character of those whom Timothy should disciple according to 2 Timothy 2:2? (b) Why is faithfulness an important character quality for God's children according to Psalm 31:23; Luke 16:10-12; 1 Timothy 1:12; Revelation 2:10 and Revelation 17:14? (c) Why do you think this quality is essential when discipling others?

6. (a) Are you currently being disciplined, or discipling another person? (By the way, this does not have to be a formal discipleship, it might even be a child or grandchild.) (b) What value have you seen in mentoring another person or being mentored by someone? (For those who are not involved I would highly encourage you to prayerfully consider doing so!)

7. Life is brief, and we must make moments with others count for eternity. Who can you pour your life into? Who can pour their life into you? Come with a prayer request that reflects your desires in the area of discipleship.

1. (a) What are the three analogies that Paul compares the Christian life to in 2 Timothy 2:3-7? (b) Read 1 Corinthians 9 and note three analogies. (c) Why do you think he uses these three analogies in both of these passages?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 2:3-4.

3. (a) What happens to those who endure hardships according to Hebrews 6:15; Hebrews 10:32-36; James 1:12; and James 5:11? (b) How does this encourage you in the difficulties of life, especially those which pertain to your sufferings for Christ?

4. (a) Paul compares the Christian life to that of a soldier. What are our weapons according to 2 Corinthians 10:3-5; Ephesians 6:11-18 and 1 Timothy 1:18-19? (b) What are some practical ways in which we can do spiritual battle?

5. (a) Paul tells Timothy to consider what he (Paul) says in 2 Timothy 2:7. Why is it essential that we meditate on the Words of God and not just read them according to Joshua 1:8; Psalm 1; Psalm 119:11-15; Psalm 119:97-104; and 2 Timothy 2:7? (b) What benefits have you found in your life of meditating (memorizing) Scripture?

6. (a) Have you counted the cost of being a disciple of Jesus? (b) What does Jesus say about considering the cost in Luke 14:26-33? (c) When you consider Jesus' words with the Apostle Paul's words in 2 Timothy 2:3-7, would you say it reflects "Christianity" in our day? (d) Why or why not? (e) Does it reflect your life? (f) Why or why not?

7. When you consider the three analogies Paul uses for the Christian life, which one stands out as the most needed in your life? Come with a request so that others might pray for you.

Three Things to Remember When Afflicted

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 2:8-10. (b) What do you learn about Jesus from these verses? (c) What do you learn about Paul? (d) What encouragement do you find in these verses?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 2:8.

3. (a) Why is the resurrection important according to 1 Corinthians 15? (b) How does the fact of the resurrection encourage you during times of trouble? (c) What significance does the resurrection have to you personally? (d) Should we share the resurrection when sharing the gospel? (c) Why or why not?

4. (a) Read Genesis chapters 39-41 and Jeremiah chapter 33 and discover who else was in prison and yet was not hindered from doing the work of the Lord. (b) What principles can you glean? (c) How does this encourage you?

5. (a) What do the following verses tell us about the Word of God? Psalm 19:7-11; Psalm 119: 11, 50, 97-105; Proverbs 30:5; Luke 4:4; Ephesians 6:17; Hebrews 4:12; 1 Peter 1:23. (b) How does this help you to understand what Paul says in verse 9 when he writes that the word of God is not bound or chained? (c) Why is it imperative to have a vital relationship with Scripture? (d) Do you see it as imperative to your daily walk?

6. (a) What things do you try to remember during difficult times? (b) What are some of the verses or passages that have aided you during times of trouble?

7. Reread 2 Timothy 2:8-10 and write a prayer for yourself or someone else who's going through a trial. Endeavor to use some of the truths Paul mentions in these verses.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 2:11-14. What are the warnings in this passage? (b) What are the encouragements in this passage? (c) How could you use 2 Timothy 2:11-14 to encourage those who are loyal to Christ and admonish those who are disloyal to Him?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 2:11-13.

3. (a) Paul writes in 2 Timothy 2:11 that if we died with Him, we will live with Him. How do the following references help you to understand that saying? Romans 6:5; 2 Corinthians 4:10; Galatians 2:19-20; Philippians 3:10 and Colossians 3:1-4. (b) Do you think it is possible for a professing believer to obtain a crown without enduring the cross? Prove your answer Biblically.

4. (a) How does a believer endure sufferings to the end? Prove your answer from the Bible. (b) What should be our attitudes when we suffer according to 1 Peter 4:13-19? (c) How are you remaining steadfast in your relationship with Christ?

5. (a) What are some of the ways believers deny the Lord according to Proverbs 30:8-9; Matthew 26:67-75; Mark 8:38; 1 John 2:22-23 and Jude 1:4? (b) What are some other ways in which believers deny the Lord? (c) What implications does denying the Lord have according to what Paul says in 2 Timothy 2:12?

6. (a) Paul writes regarding avoiding getting involved in words of no profit in 2 Timothy 2:14. What are some ways in which we engage ourselves in words of no profit? (b) How can we as women encourage other women to avoid meaningless chatter and encourage profitable conversation instead?

7. (a) Are you remaining faithful to the Lord in these trying days? (b) Are there ways in which you are denying the Lord? (c) Please come with a request for yourself after considering this lesson.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 2:15-18. What commands do you notice in this passage? (b) What contrasts do you observe in this passage?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 2:15.

3. (a) Look up the following verses and list the speech of genuine teachers and the speech of false teachers. (You might want to make two columns in order to see the contrast) Jeremiah 23:16; Ezekiel 13:9; John 7:17-18; Romans 16:18; 1 Corinthians 2:1-5; 1 Timothy 6:3-5; 2 Timothy 4:3-4; Titus 3:9- 11; 2 Peter 2:18; Jude 1:16. (b) How can these passages help you as you discern truth from error?

4. Hymenaeus and Alexander were teaching that the resurrection was past according to 2 Timothy 2:17-18. (a) Why is it essential that we believe in the resurrection according to 1 Corinthians 15:12- 19? (b) Who else was wrong about the resurrection in Matthew 22:23-33? (c) Why were they in error about the resurrection according to verse 29? (d) How does this relate to what Paul writes in 2 Timothy 2:15? (e) How should this motivate us as believers to make sure we know the Word of God? (f) What are some ways we can make sure we are rightly dividing God's Word?

5. (a) Why should we avoid foolish and godless chatter according to 1 Timothy 4:7, 8; 6:20-21; 2 Timothy 2:14-17; Titus 1:14-16 and 3:9? (b) What are we to do instead according to these same passages? (If it is noted.) (c) How do you avoid meaningless chatter? (d) What are some ways in which we can elevate conversation from meaningless to meaningful?

6. (a) Do you know of anyone who has veered into false ideas like Hymenaeus and Philetus? (This does not have to be the false idea of the resurrection as in their case.) (b) Are you willing to humbly confront the error of their way? (c) Will you?

7. (a) Are you faithful to spend ample time in the Word of God? (b) Will you be able to stand unashamed as one who has rightly divided the Word of Truth? (c) Do you shun the idle chatter of our day?

8. After considering your answers from #7,, write a prayer request on how you can improve your Christian walk.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 2:19-21. (b) What are our responsibilities according to these verses? (c) What do each of these mean?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 2:21.

3. (a) What do false teachers do according to 2 Peter 2:1-3 and Jude 1:16-19? (b) What is our responsibility towards false teachers according to Romans 16:17; 2 Thessalonians 3:6, 14; 2 Timothy 3:5; Titus 3:10; 2 John 10? (c) Why is it essential that pastors protect their flocks from false teaching?

4. (a) How does getting away from false teachers and false teaching help us to be sanctified, useful for the Master and prepared for every good work? (b) How do you protect yourself from false teaching?

5. (a) What must happen before we can depart from evil according to Proverbs 3:7? (b) Why is it essential we depart from all evil according to Job 28:28; 1 Corinthians 3:16, 17 and 2 Corinthians 7:1? (c) Do you think departing from evil would include departing from false teaching and false teachers? (Use Scripture to back your answer.)

6. (a) How can God's people do their part to protect the purity of the church? (b) Besides getting away from evil (including false teaching), what other ways can we be more sanctified, useful for the Master and prepared for every good work?

7. Are you a useful vessel for the Master? (Private question) Come prepared to share a prayer request on how you might be more useful for His glory.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 2:22-26 and list all the commands that Paul mentions. (b) What are the reasons given for obeying these commands?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 2:22.

3. (a) What do you learn about gentleness from the following passages? Isaiah 40:11; Galatians 5:22-23; 1 Thessalonians 2:7; Titus 3:1-3 and James 3:17-18. (b) What example of gentleness can you recall in Scripture and what do you learn from it? (c) Why should Christians endeavor to be gentle when dealing with others?

4. (a) What happens when one chooses to involve themselves in foolish questions and arguments according to 1 Timothy 1:4; 1 Timothy 6:3-5; 2 Timothy 2:14-18; Titus 3:9. (b) Who in scripture comes to mind as one who was argumentative or involved in foolish disputes and what do you learn from their negative example?

5. (a) Paul mentions that some have been taken snare by the devil in 2 Timothy 2:26. What else does Paul tell us about the devil in 2 Corinthians 2:11 and 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12? (b) What does Peter tell us about the devil in 1 Peter 5:8? (c) How do you avoid being duped by the evil one?

6. (a) How could you use 2 Timothy 2:22-26 to help someone who is caught captive by the evil one? (b) How does one flee passionate desires that are evil? (c) How does one pursue righteous desires? (Use Scripture when able to back up your answers.)

7. (a) Does gentleness or argumentative describe you more often when dealing with others? (b) How can one put off being argumentative?

8. Come with a request for yourself based on our lesson or for someone whom you know is under the influence of the evil one.

1. (a) As you read 2 Timothy 3:1-5, what is the first thing that comes into your mind? (b) Would you say these descriptions describe the day in which we live? (c) Do you think they described the day in which Timothy lived? (Prove your answer from the Bible)

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 3:1.

3. (a) Choose three of the nineteen characteristics Paul mentions in 2 Timothy 3:1-5 and find someone in the word of God who exhibited those. (b) What do you learn from their negative example?

4. (a) What are the opposite qualities of those three characteristics you choose from question 3? (b) Find three people in the Word of God who exhibited those good qualities and write down what you learn from their positive example.

5. (a) Compare Paul's list of sins in 2 Timothy 3:1-5 with those he mentions in Romans 1:21-32. Which ones are similar? (b) What does Paul say in Romans 1:32 and 2 Timothy 3:5 about these individuals? (c) Do you know someone who professes Christ and yet is living similar to what Paul says in these passages? (d) Will you love them enough to warn them?

6. (a) In what ways can we help children to obey and honor their parents? (b) In what ways can adults honor parents who are living? (c) How can we avoid being guilty of any of the characteristics Paul lists in 2 Timothy 3:1-5? (d) How should we be living in light of the last days according to Romans 13:11-14, Ephesians 5:16 and 1 Peter 4:7-11? (e) Are you living this way?

7. These verses should cause us all to pause and make sure we are not guilty of any of these sins. After considering the list prayerfully, write a prayer for yourself to share with your group.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 3:6-9. What things do you notice about the false teachers in these verses? (b) What type of women do they prey on? (c) What sins and lusts could these women be involved in?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 3:6.

3. (a) How is it possible for someone to be learning but never able to come to the knowledge of the truth? See Ezekiel 12:1-2; Matthew 13:13-15; John 8:31-32. (a) How can we make sure our learning is producing more than mere knowledge?

4. (a) Paul mentions in 2 Timothy 3:8-9 about two men Jannes and Jambres who withstood Moses. What does he say about these two men in verses 8 and 9? (b) According to Jewish history these men are the magicians mentioned in Exodus 7-9. Read the chapters over and write down any observations you see which give further insight into what Paul writes in 2 Timothy 3:8-9.

5. (a) How can we as women avoid the error of false teachers? (b) What can we do to protect ourselves? (c) If someone were to try and entice you with their false ideas, what would you do?

6. (a) What do you do to ensure that false teaching doesn't creep into your home and into your heart? (b) Are you studying the word diligently so that you can discern error?

7. (a) How has this lesson helped you or convicted you? Please come with a request to share your need(s).

What Does a Godly Life Look Like?

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 3:10-12. What word is repeated in these three verses? (b) Why does godly living produce persecution?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 3:12.

3. (a) What are the results of following sound doctrine according to Acts 2:42-47; Romans 16:17-19; Ephesians 4:14-16; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; Titus 2:6-8 and 2 John 1:9-11? (b) What are the results of following false doctrine according to Romans 16:17-19; Ephesians 4:14-16; 1 Timothy 1:3,4; 2 Timothy 4:3-4; Hebrews 13:8-9 and 2 John 1:9-11? (c) Are you in a church that is teaching sound doctrine? (You should be able to evaluate its fruits from the verses above.) (d) How can you use the above verses to help others who are sitting under wrong doctrine?

4. (a) Paul mentions in 2 Timothy 3:11 about persecutions and afflictions that happened to him at Antioch, Iconium and Lystra. Read Acts 13 and 14 to discover what these persecutions and afflictions were. (b) Why will godly men and women suffer persecution according to Matthew 5:11,12; 10:17-23; 24:9-11; Mark 13:9-13; John 15:20-25; and 2 Timothy 3:12? (c) How does this encourage you or discourage you? (d) What should be our attitude when persecuted for Christ according to Matthew 5:12 and 1 Peter 4:14?

5. (a) What are some of the other afflictions Paul went through as seen in 2 Corinthians 11:22-33? (b) What is his attitude about his afflictions as seen in 2 Corinthians 12:7-10? (c) How can we too develop these same attitudes when going through persecution?

6. Read Psalm 34 and write down at least five ways this Psalm could comfort someone who is facing persecution and affliction?

7. Come with a request for yourself or someone else who is suffering for the cause of Christ.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 3:13-15 and make note of any contrasts you observe. (b) What is the importance of the Scriptures according to these verses?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 3:15.

3. (a) Why is it important that children listen to the instruction of their parents according to Proverbs 4, Proverbs 5:1- and Proverbs 6:20-24? (b) What does Proverbs 30:17 say regarding children who don't listen to their parents? (c) How can we train our children to listen and heed our instructions, especially those which pertain to spiritual truth?

4. (a) What child mentioned in the Bible heeded the instruction of their parent(s) and what was the result? (b) What child in scripture did not heed the voice of the parent(s) and what was the result?

5. (a) Timothy learned the Scriptures as a young child. What value do the Scriptures have not only for the young but for all ages according to Psalm 119:9, 11, 50, 54, 81, 98, 103, 104, 130, 143, and 160? (b) What personal value do the Scriptures have for you?

6. (a) Do you treat your Bible as Holy? (b) How can we encourage others, especially the young, to see the Bible as God's Holy Word? (c) Why is it imperative that children be instructed in the Bible more than any other book?

7. Do you treasure God's Word? Come with a prayer request asking the Lord to give you a deeper love and deeper desire for His Holy Word.

1. (a) What is the value of Scripture according to 2 Timothy 3:16 and 17? (b) What is the value of Scripture to you?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 3:16.

3. (a) Paul refers to the Word of God as Scripture. Read Psalm 119 (no moaning) and write down the other words used for the Scriptures. (b) Also, what are some of the values of Scripture according to Psalm 119?

4. Paul says all Scripture is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. Read over 2 Timothy and make note where Paul uses each of these in his writings to Timothy. You only need to list a few. (For example: "stir up the gift of God" in 1:6 is a reproof; 1:9-10 would be doctrine; 2:4 would be a correction; 2:22 would be instruction in righteousness.)

5. (a) What book of the Bible has helped you the most in understanding doctrine? (b) What book of the Bible has reproved you the most? (c) What book of the Bible has helped you the most in correcting your wrong thinking? (d) What book of the Bible has helped you the most in instructing you in right living?

6. (a) After considering question number 3, why would we turn to other sources for wisdom, guidance or help? (b) Is Scripture your first go-to when in need of help, wisdom or guidance?

7. Every word of God is inspired, true, sufficient, and authoritative. With those truths in mind, write a prayer request that will reflect your personal need for a better relationship with the Holy Scriptures.

1. (a) What are the commands that you observe in 2 Timothy 4:1-5? (b) What do you see that is similar in 2 Timothy 4:1-5 and 2 Timothy 3:16-17?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 4:1, or 2, or 3, or 4, or 5 or all of them!

3. (a) Why is it essential that we reprove those who are in sin or error according to Leviticus 19:17; Proverbs 9:8; Proverbs 15:32; Proverbs 29:15; Luke 17:3, 4; 2 Timothy 2:24-26? (b) What have you found helpful when needing to rebuke or correct another individual? (c) What attitudes should we have when being corrected by others either for our sin or doctrinal error?

4. (a) What does Jesus say in Mark 4:24 and 25 about what we hear? (b) What were some doing in Psalm 50:17, Zachariah 7:11 and Acts 7:57 with the truth of what they heard? (c) What might happen if we turn our ears away from truth according to Deuteronomy 30:17-20 and Proverbs 28:9? (d) Why is it essential that we take heed to what we hear, especially in light what Paul says in 2 Timothy 4:3 and 4? (e) Do you take heed to what you hear?

5. (a) Why is it essential that we heed the command to be watchful especially in light of the Lord's return according to Luke 12:35-40 and 1 Thessalonians 5:6-10? (b) Why do you think Paul gave this commandment to be watchful to Timothy at this particular time? (2 Timothy 4:5) (c) In what ways should we as God's children be watchful in an age which is becoming more evil and more abundant with false teaching?

6. (a) Evaluate your past week and estimate how much time you spent either hearing or reading the truth of God's Word or other forms of truth in comparison to hearing or reading things of no eternal value or things you know to be false. (This would include false teachers) (b) Write down any thoughts you discovered. (c) Did you take heed to what you heard this week? (d) How can you better turn your ears away from fables to more truth?

7. Looking over each of Paul's nine commands in this passage, honestly evaluate where you are weak. Bring a request to share in light of your spiritual needs in these areas.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 4:6-8. What is your favorite part of this passage and why? (b) Can you honestly echo these words with the apostle Paul? (c) Why or why not?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 4:7.

3. (a) Paul recalls in 2 Timothy 4:7 that he has finished his race. From 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 and Hebrews 12:1-2, what things are essential when running the Christian race? (b) Which one of the things is most essential to you and why?

4. (a) Paul tells Timothy he has fought a good fight in 2 Timothy 4:7. What are some ways in which Paul fought the good fight? (Please use scripture.) (b) In what ways are you fighting the good fight of faith? (c) How can you improve your strategic plans in your spiritual battle?

5. (a) 2 Timothy is Paul's last letter before his death and 2 Peter is Peter's last letter before his death. Read 2 Timothy chapter 4 and 2 Peter chapter 1. Write down the things you see which are similar in these two chapters. (b) If you wrote a final letter before your death, what would you desire to be in it and why?

6. (a) What is essential to keeping the faith? (Use Scripture to back up your answer(s).) (b) How do you make sure you are keeping the faith?

7. (a) Are you running the race, fighting the battles, and keeping the faith? (b) What are your needs in these areas? (c) Put them in a form of prayer request to share with your group.

What is Needed in the Face of Death?

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 4:9-13. Who is with Paul at this time? (b) Who else does he want to come? (c) Why do you think he desires these individuals to come at this time? (d) If you were in prison and facing death for the gospel's sake, who would you want to come and why?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 4:10.

3. (a) What things does Paul want brought to him according to 2 Timothy 4:13? (b) Why do you think he wants these things at this time? (c) Again, if you were in prison and facing death for the gospel's sake, what things would you want brought to you and why?

4. (a) Paul writes that Demas forsook him because he loved the present world. What could have been some of the "worldly things" that caused Demas to leave the Christian faith according to Luke 9:57-62; Luke 14:16-27; Luke 16:13; 1 Timothy 6:10; 1 John 2:15-16. (b) Is it possible to love the world and be a believer according to 1 John 5:4-5?

5. (a) What do you learn about Tychicus from Acts 20:1-6; Ephesians 6:21-22; Colossians 4:7-9 and Titus 3:12? (b) What is the contrast between him and Demas?

6. (a) Looking over your answers from #4, would you say that you are a lover of the world or a lover of God? (b) How can we as believers fight against the pull of the world according to Romans 12:1-2?

7. (a) In what ways can we as believers be an encouragement to those who are aging and or dying.

8. (a) What has God taught you through this lesson? (b) What changes need to be made? Please bring a prayer request to share with your group.

1. (a) What do you learn about Alexander in 2 Timothy 4:14-15? (b) Write a summary statement about Alexander.

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 4:14.

3. (a) Paul is content to let the Lord repay Alexander for his evil deeds. Who else in Scripture desired the same thing? See 1 Samuel 24:8-15; 2 Samuel 3:27-39; Psalm 28:1-4 and Jeremiah 15:15. (b) Why do you think it's a good idea to let the Lord repay those who have done evil instead of taking matters in our own hands?

4. (a) How is Psalm 109:1-5 similar to what Paul recounts in 2 Timothy 4:14-15? (b) How is Paul's attitude different about Alexander compared to the Psalmist's attitude towards his enemies in Psalm 109:6-20? (c) How do we reconcile these two very different attitudes?

5. (a) Name an individual (besides Paul) in Scripture who had done wrong to them and responded righteously. (b) What do you learn from their example? (c) Name an individual who did not respond well to the evil done to them and what you learn from their example. (d) What are some of the things we can and should do when others do evil towards us?

6. (a) Why do you think Paul warned Timothy regarding Alexander? (b) When do you think it is right to warn others regarding others who may wrongly influence them?

7. Is there someone who has caused you great harm or resisted the truth of God's Word? What is your prayer for them? (Please be discreet.)

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 4:16-18. What are the difficult things Paul went through or will go through according to these verses? (b) What are the encouraging things he went through or will go through according to these verses? (c) How do these verses encourage you?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 4:18.

3. (a) What similarities do you observe in Psalm 22 and 2 Timothy 4:16-18? (b) What have the Psalms meant to you during times of distress? (c) What has been your favorite Psalm during trouble and why?

4. (a) What things are similar in Daniel chapter 6 and 2 Timothy 4:16-18? (b) Do you think Paul was delivered from a literal lion?

5. (a) What prompts Paul to break out in a doxology (praise to God) in 2 Timothy 4:18? (b) What prompted Paul to break out in a doxology in Romans 11:33-36; Romans 16:25-27; Galatians 1:3-5; Ephesians 3:20-21; Philippians 4:18-20; 1 Timothy 1:15-17; 1 Timothy 6:13-15 and Hebrews 13:20-21? (c) What prompts Peter to break out in a doxology in 1 Peter 5:10,11 and 2 Peter 3: 17-18? (d) What prompts Jude to break out in a doxology in Jude 1:24-25? (e) What prompts *YOU* to break out in a doxology?

6. (a) Has there been a time in your life you felt forsaken by others? (b) What did you learn about yourself and about God during that time? (c) In what ways has God been your defender and deliverer?

7. (a) Read Psalm 27 which was written during a time of distress in David's life. What verses from this Psalm would you like to pray for either yourself or for another who is going through a distressing time? Please write it down to share with your group.

1. (a) Read 2 Timothy 4:19-22. Without looking at any other helps, do you know anything about any of the individuals Paul lists? (b) If so, who do you know and what do you know about them?

2. Memorize 2 Timothy 4:22.

3. (a) Paul lists several individuals who have been helpful to him in the Lord's work. Who has been helpful to you in your work for the Lord? (b) These also are Paul's final words that are written down before his death. If you could write down any last words before your death, what do you think you would write? (c) If you could write a final prayer before your death, what would you pray?

4. (a) What does the bible say about Paul in Acts 19:11, 12? (b) What does Paul write in 2 Timothy 4:20? (c) Why didn't Paul heal Trophimus if he had healing gifts? (d) Do you think we have the power to heal today? Why or why not? Use Scripture to back your answer.

5. (a) This study on 2 Timothy has been given the title, *With the Master Holding Fast to the Truth*. What are the reasons we should hold fast to the truth according to what Paul has written in 2 Timothy? (b) What are some of the other reasons we should hold fast to the truth? (c) In what ways can you hold fast to the truth?

6. (a) What things have you gleaned from our study on 2 Timothy? (b) What changes have you made as a result of the study?

7. In what ways do you need to be more tenacious in holding fast to the truth? Please write a prayer request down for prayer support from your group.