

Road Trip | 2 Timothy 1:1-2:13 July 13th and 14th, 2024

My Story Questions

These questions/activities help the group know one another and transition to deeper discussion.

- 1) When you think of the word “investment”, what comes to mind?
- 2) How would you describe the kind of lasting impact you’d like your life to have?

Study Questions

Complete these questions for your own personal preparation to lead, but choose only some to discuss.

Big Idea: Living in a faith-filled community leaves a lasting impact.

Warm up - Who are the people who have had the largest impact on your faith?

What stood out to you from the sermon this week?

Read 2 Timothy 1:1-2:13 Making an impact requires that I look beyond myself

- 1) What can you tell about Paul and Timothy’s relationship from these 2 chapters?
- 2) What do you learn about the faith of Lois and Eunice and how they impacted Timothy? How does that challenge you in your family relationships?
- 3) Paul urges Timothy to join him in suffering for the gospel. How has investing in others cost you something? Where are you being called to pay some kind of cost to help others mature in Christ?
- 4) Paul says he is not ashamed because he knows whom he has believed in (Vs 12). How can this conviction keep you from being ashamed when following Jesus makes you lose status?
- 5) What does it look like for you to leave a spiritual legacy in your relationships; where you live, work, and play?

Making an impact is a group effort. It is not all on you.

- 6) Have you ever been tempted to shrink back from investing in someone thinking that others will pick up the slack?
- 7) Who has helped “Fan into flame the gift of God” in your own spiritual journey? What gifts do you see in the people in your group? Spend some time giving affirmation for the gifts you see.
- 8) How does the story of Onesiphorus’s assistance to Paul inspire you to support believers going through tough times? Who comes to mind? What practical ways can you show support?

Making a lasting impact requires the convergence of the Spirit’s power and our partnership.

- 9) How does the presence of the Holy Spirit help us impact those around us? (see 1:7, 1:14)
- 10) How does this chapter challenge you to lean more on the Spirit’s power and less on your own actions to make a lasting impact. (See Psalm 127:1-2)
- 11) Paul exhorts Timothy to share in suffering; endure everything; remember Jesus. How do these imperatives help us leave a lasting impact on others? How do the soldier/athlete/farmer metaphors help motivate action?

Responding to Jesus

Offer one of these for personal reflection before your group prayer time. Practice listening for God’s voice.

- 1) Ask Jesus, “Who would you like me to invest in with more intention?”
- 2) Ask Jesus, “What step can I take to have more spiritual impact in my family, church, neighborhood?”