



# A legacy of suffering

## 2 Timothy 1

To get the most out of this guide, prepare **BEFORE** the group, then be ready to discuss **DURING** the group. This will help you and your group to engage and respond to the living and active Word of God.

Before we dive into 2 Timothy, let's set the scene with some background information.

### ▶ Pray and read Acts 16:1-5 and 2 Timothy 1:1-5

1. What do we learn about Timothy?

A number of verses in 2 Timothy suggest that Paul was writing from prison in Rome (1:16-17, 2:9, 4:16-17) to Timothy who was in Ephesus (1:17-18, 4:12, 19).

### ▶ Read Acts 19:8-10, 23-31

2. What do we learn about the city of Ephesus where Timothy became a church leader?

### ▶ Read 2 Timothy 1:1-18

3. What do you think is the 'gift of God' (v. 6)?

4. What might it mean for Timothy to join in suffering for the gospel (v. 8)?

5. List the blessings that come to us through the gospel (vv. 9-10).

6. What should Timothy do with the teaching he has received (vv. 13-14)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. What do we learn from the negative and positive examples from Paul (vv. 15-18)?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
8. What might it look like for you to join in suffering for the gospel?

► **Prayer**

What are three praise or prayer points that arise from this passage?

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