

A Legacy of Faith

Read: 2 Timothy 1:1-7

Main idea: A faithful legacy is built on the transformative power of faith passed from one generation to the next, encouraging us to embrace our responsibilities as believers in Christ.

Key Verses: “I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God...” **(2 Timothy 1:5-6 ESV)**

Key Principles:

- Personal faith is nurtured through persistent prayer and engagement with Scripture, which leads to a deep commitment to spiritual growth.
- Godly counsel from mentors and family shapes a believer's life and legacy.
- Teaching God's truth clearly establishes a foundation for faith that endures across generations.
- Showing Christ's love through daily actions reflects the Spirit's gift of love, fostering faith in others.
- Fearless faith, empowered by the Holy Spirit's gifts of power and self-discipline, equips believers to trust God and speak boldly.
- A clear conscience, rooted in Christ's forgiveness, provides confidence to live out and share faith.

Discussion:

1. How can daily prayer and Scripture study strengthen your personal faith? Share a time when consistent spiritual practices deepened your relationship with Christ.
2. Who has been a godly influence in your life, and how did their counsel guide you? How can you seek out or provide godly counsel to others, especially younger believers?
3. What are practical ways you can teach God's truth clearly to others (e.g., children, friends, or mentees)? How can you ensure your teaching is Christ-centered?
4. How can you show Christ's love daily to inspire faith in others? Are there specific opportunities to model this love for your family or community?
5. What fears hold you back from trusting God's strength or sharing your faith boldly? How can you rely on the Spirit's empowerment to speak with conviction?

Prayer:

- Thank God for mentors and family who have modeled sincere faith.
- Pray for:
 - Wisdom to cultivate your own faith through prayer and Scripture.
 - Opportunities to teach truth clearly, planting seeds of faith for the next generation.
 - The Holy Spirit's power to embrace fearless faith, trusting God's strength and speaking boldly for Him.

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I. Cultivate Personal Faith. 1:1-5

1. Pray and study Scripture daily. 1:1-3
2. Seek and follow godly counsel. 1:4-5

II. Plant Seeds of Faith. 1:5-6

1. Teach God's truth clearly. 1:5
2. Show Christ's love daily. 1:6

III. Embrace a Fearless Faith. 1:7

1. Trust in God's strength.
2. Speak with bold conviction.

NEXT WEEK:

A Ministry of Dependence

2 Corinthians 4:1-18