

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

KEY PASSAGE: 2 TIMOTHY 3:10-13

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/passage?

INFORM THE HEAD / STIR THE HEART

1. Please look at vs. 5, how does Paul's life from vs. 10-11 give evidence to being genuinely godly rather than just having a form of godliness that has no power?

2. Please list the things about Paul that Timothy followed in vs. 10-11.

a. How would someone in the world respond to these things?

b. What aspects of the things listed are hard to follow and why?

c. What does a person have to trust about God in order to face these things?

3. To get an understanding of some of the persecutions that Paul faced, please read Acts 14:5-7, 19-22 and answer the following questions:

a. Why do you think the Jews were trying to stir people up against Paul?

b. In 2 Timothy 3:11, Paul said that God "delivered him from the persecutions." How did He deliver him?

c. What did Paul do after the people stoned him and what does this say about his faith?

4. How does vs. 12 compare to the health, wealth and prosperity gospel, and why do you think God allows Christians to be persecuted?

5. How does knowing that God knows that believers will be persecuted while evil people just keep getting worse affect your faith?

6. What do the following verses tell you about God's view of our suffering?

a. Isaiah 63:9

b. John 16:33

c. 1 Peter 1:6-7

CHALLENGE THE WILL

Based on what you learned from the study, or read in the passage, what actions/focus do you need to pursue in order to draw closer to the Lord (i.e. Desire to know God and live for Him; Expect struggle as you stand with Jesus, and expect the godless to seem to have it easier)?

WEEKLY READING PLAN

Monday, March 1 // Acts 13:1-12

Be astonished

Tuesday, March 2 // Acts 13:13-42

Hear the truth

Wednesday, March 3 // Acts 13:42-52

Don't let opposition steal your joy

Thursday, March 4 // Acts 14:1-28

Continue in the faith

Friday, March 5 // 2 Timothy 3:14-17

Truth: Know the Word