



Between Sundays: Study Questions

October 9, 2016

“Stronger” 2 Timothy 1:1-5

1. In what areas of your life do you wish...and need to be stronger? Honesty and courage required!

2. What does God long and intend for me to experience? Isaiah 40:29-31

3. Insights from Paul's letter to Timothy.

- 2 Timothy 1:1-5: describe the relationship Paul and Timothy enjoyed, what comes out in the first few verses?

- 2 Timothy 1:4: how did Paul respond to Timothy regarding the younger man's tears? What didn't he do?

Question: who do you trust with your tears and why?

Question: what makes it hard for you to express 'appropriate vulnerability?' Please be as specific as possible.

4. The Scriptures validate 'tears': Psalm 56:8, Job 16:20, Lamentations 1:16, Hebrews 5:7 How could these Scriptures instruct and encourage you?

5. Paul offers Timothy a 'timely reminder' in vs. 5. In the face of Timothy's emotional and spiritual struggles, what strengthening reminder does Paul speak? How does Paul describe his faith? Who influenced Timothy significantly?

Question: how would you describe the state of your faith currently?

Question: who has God used to influence you toward Jesus and following Him?

6. What one truth did you take away from Sunday's service and message? Name it.

Is there someone in your world, a Christian or someone who isn't that you could share a truth with?

Who might that be? Ask God for an open door to serve someone the truth of Jesus in a gracious way!