
Leaving A Legacy: A Study In 2 Timothy

"Passing The Baton"

2 Timothy 2:1-7

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Introduction: We are working our way through 2 Timothy. We can summarize chapter 1 with one word: encouragement.

1. As we come to chapter 2, we see Paul's reasoning.
 - He saw Timothy as his successor.
 - He is about to die.
 - He is passing Timothy the baton of ministry.
2. As we evaluate what he says, we get a very clear picture of the mission of the church.
3. Churches do many things, but they have a singular purpose.
4. The church exists to glorify God by making disciples.
5. This is the Great Commission Christ has given us as His followers.
6. In our text today, Paul explains how this works.

I. The Plan For Discipleship

A. Personal Commitment

B. Plan For Reproduction

II. The Picture Of Discipleship

A. The Soldier

B. The Athlete

C. The Farmer

Conclusion: Do not let the idea of discipleship intimidate you.

1. Discipleship is not complicated.
2. It starts with living like Jesus, so that He can live through us.
3. Then as we go about our daily activities, start loving people in Jesus' name.
4. This is contagious, people were attracted to Christ.
5. In those relationships share what you have found in Christ, pour yourself into others. In time, they will do the same.
6. That is how and why we are here, that is how we will continue to exist until Christ returns.