



“Remember Your Heritage” | Legacy

GETTING STARTED: Take time to practice your “remembering” skills. What name did you use for your grandparents? If you have grandchildren, what do they call you?

EXPLORE THE TOPIC

1. Who is “your” Paul? Who has left an imprint on your life of faith? What about your relationship do you cherish most? If you can’t identify this type of person in your life, where might you look?
2. Consider the Matt Proctor quote, “*The leadership of each generation is the legacy they leave to the next.*” For better or worse, when have you seen that play out in the church? In culture? In politics?
3. At the time of Paul’s letter-writing, Timothy was overwhelmed in his disciple-making ministry in Ephesus. What should a disciple-maker do when they start thinking about giving up? What should you do if you notice someone else growing weary? How did Paul model this for us?
4. Read 2 Timothy 1:3-5. Identify the three words or phrases that Paul uses to reference the *past*. What impact might those words have had on Timothy as the opening of this letter?
5. Timothy had to balance a family life with mixed faith backgrounds and beliefs. What advice would you give to a Christ-follower with family members that do not share the same faith?
6. How do the examples provided in Hebrews 11 encourage us to “write the next chapter” of faith?

7. When have you attended a memorable funeral? What role did “remembering” play in that event? How would you like to be eulogized someday?

8. South Side’s Fall sermon emphasis centers on “disciple 1.” Topics will focus on equipping people to personally disciple another person, modeled after Jesus’ own priorities. What about “disciple-making” excites you? What about it makes you anxious? How can this group help you start or continue a discipling relationship?

APPLY THE TRUTH

Take time to write down the names of at least three people that have invested in you as a disciple of Jesus. How did they help shape your life of faith? What did they do to encourage you? Consider contacting one of them this week and offering words of appreciation and thanks.

PRAYER

God, grant us open minds and open hearts to receive your grace and wisdom. Through the power of our Holy Spirit dwelling in us, may we have the courage to face life’s challenges and the resilience to remain faithful. Give us eyes to see your vision for how we might love one another and have reverence for all your creation. All this we pray in the name of the one who calls us to follow him, Jesus the Christ. Amen. (Jim Norris)

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