

SERMON GUIDE

REMEMBER JESUS

2 Timothy 2:1-13 | Pastor Tim Prince

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SERMON NOTES	

OUR MISSION is to make more and better disciples of Jesus Christ.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Ps. 86:15 (God's Character) But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

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Conversation Questions

The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

Scripture that stands out to you while you read
Observations you are making about a passage
Applications that connect the verses to your real life and relationships
Prayer that invites God to participate in all that you do

Getting to Know Me: When you were a kid was there a particularly courageous person in your life that you really looked up to? Who was it and what made them stand out so much?

Note About the Passage: 2 Timothy is Paul's last letter. He is in prison in Rome and he senses that this time, he will not be released. Tradition states that Paul was executed by beheading shortly after writing this letter. Timothy is his dear friend and apprentice. He is young and Paul doesn't want him to be timid. Paul left him to pastor one of the most strategic churches in the Roman Empire – the church at Ephesus. Church tradition says that Timothy was martyred in Ephesus after confronting a mob.

Read 2 Timothy 2:1-13

- **S:** What verses, phrases, words, or feelings stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated," surprising, or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- **O:** What do you think it means to be "strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus?" How is grace strengthening? What might it look like to a young person to be strengthened by grace?
- O: In 2 Timothy 2-6 Paul gives three quick parables: one about a soldier, one about an athlete, and another about a farmer. Then he says, "Think over what I say..." (2:7) Why might a young person, in particular, find these parables inspiring?
- O: The phrase "the offspring of David" in verse 8 is just a reminder that Jesus is the long-awaited King of Israel. How do you think "[Remembering] Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, the offspring of David, as preached in [Paul's] gospel" would inspire courage in the face of suffering?
- **A:** If God had written this passage just for you, what words, phrases or ideas would he have underlined specifically for you? What did you need to hear most? Why?
- A: Is there a specific person in your life that needs to be "Strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus," or "remember Jesus" this week? Who is it? What action, wisdom or tools could you give them this week to help them remember Jesus in everyday life?
- P: Talk to God about your application responses above. Ask him to speak to you, help you, and forgive you for the ways you have failed. Ask him to provide the direction and strength that you need.