

2 Timothy 1:13-18

Community Group Questions

1. The Book of 2 Timothy can be outlined as follows:
Chapter 1: Guard the Gospel
Chapter 2: Suffer for the Gospel
Chapter 3: Continue in the Gospel
Chapter 4: Preach the Gospel

Which of those charges do you think we are most in need of being reminded of today?
Which of them are you most likely to neglect or avoid?

2. What are some of the standards people might use when it comes to evaluating a church? What would be some indications that a church or ministry is not keeping or retaining the standard set out in the New Testament?
3. Read 1 Timothy 4:6-7; 6:3-5,20. How would you differentiate between “guarding the gospel” and “quarrelling about words”? What are some of the issues that you think we can hold with an open hand and what are some issues that you think we must hold with a closed hand?
4. Lots of churches use the metrics of the ABC’s (Attendance, Buildings, and Cash) of church growth to measure their fruitfulness. How can these be misleading ways of indicating a church’s health?
5. How would you answer the faithfulness or fruitfulness question? What are good indicators of fruitfulness in ministry?
6. Spend some time praying for the faithfulness and fruitfulness of our church