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**The Heart of 2 Timothy:
Jesus' Plan for Perpetuating His Life on Earth**

The call for every believer to discipleship:

***Matt. 28:18** And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."*

Discipleship flows from, and develops, in the context of relationship.

***2 Tim. 1:2** To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. **3** I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. **4** As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. **5** I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well.*

1. Discipleship focus varies depending on maturity, gifting, and ability (1:6-7).

***2 Tim. 1:6** For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, **7** for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.*

2. Discipleship establishes an example to follow (1:13).

***2 Tim. 1:13** Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus*

Discipleship expands and establishes Christ's church.

1. Discipleship multiplies discipleship (2:1-2).

***2 Tim. 2:1** You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, **2** and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.*

2. Discipleship focuses on passing on the essentials of the faith. (2:14-19).

2 Tim. 2:14 Remind them of these things, and charge them before God not to quarrel about words, which does no good, but only ruins the hearers. 15 Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

If you know how to use truth, you should be discipling!

Heb. 5:12 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the basic principles of the oracles of God. You need milk, not solid food, 13 for everyone who lives on milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, since he is a child. 14 But solid food is for the mature, for those who have their powers of discernment trained by constant practice to distinguish good from evil.

Reflection/Discussion/Application

- 1. Consider signing up for a small group, My Heart Unveiled/Unchained, First Principles course (this fall!), or Antioch School – Acts (this fall!),**
- 2. Do you know how to use God’s truth in navigating life? If not, consider how you might seek out a discipleship relationship. If yes, are you investing in those “behind you”?**

SONGS

- “Everlasting God” - Brenton Brown and Ken Riley
- “Exalted Over All” - Andi Rozier, Jason Ingram, and Jess Cates
- “Doxology” - Thomas Ken
- “Goodness Of God” - Ed Cash and Jenn Johnson

BUDGET

GIVING LAST WEEK:	\$30,434.90
WEEKLY NEED:	\$35,272.00
YTD GIVING:	\$855,509.89
YTD GENERAL NEED:	\$952,344.00