

Readings to prepare for the coming week:

___DAY 1 (February 17): Galatians 1:6-10

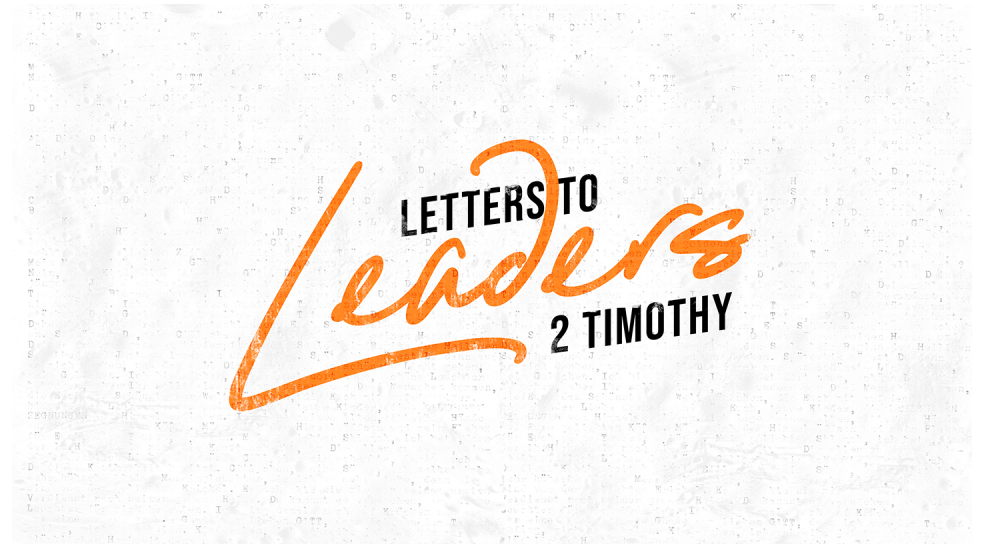
___DAY 2 (February 18): Galatians 1:11-24

___DAY 3 (February 19): Philippians 1:12-18

___DAY 4 (February 20): 1 Peter 1:3-12

___DAY 5 (February 21): 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

___DAY 6 (February 22): Acts 9:19b-31



Being Convinced

Week Six 2 Timothy 3:10-17

This week we are looking at 2 Timothy 3:10-17. This passage is about persecution, following first, being convinced, and how God's word inspires us and benefits us. Many of us would want all the things Paul lists in this passage until we get to persecution. If you are going to live a godly life you will be persecuted. Leaders need to learn to follow first, being convinced of the truth of the good news of Jesus Christ. We cannot be educated to what the good news is without the Bible. It inspires us to lead and benefits us as we lead. Are we spending time in it to learn more about Jesus?

Making it personal...

Which observation(s) from Sunday's sermon do you feel the need to apply to your life?

What in Paul's life (see verses 10-11) do you long to have someone lead you in? How can you seek that out this week?

Why is it be counterproductive to teach that if you follow Jesus, your life will be easy?

"All who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted." Is that your expectation? Why is it necessary to be realistic about this?

When did you first experience from the Scriptures the Good News that saves? How is reflecting on this helping you to "Continue"?

What are you convinced of regarding Jesus Christ? How does that affect every day that you live?

Do you have a "life verse"? A verse that inspires you as you follow Jesus? What could be one that you memorize and recall in times of persecution?

When are you most defeated? When you encounter opposition or when you are doing things in your own power? How can you have victory in spite of opposition?

What are some of the ways that we benefit from Scripture?

In what ways are rebuking and correction profitable? How does the entire word of God do that?

Why does it matter that we are complete through God's Word? Why does it matter that we are complete in Jesus but incomplete without him?

How can we be leaders that are convinced, inspired and benefit from God's Word? What are you going to ask God for and do this week to be a leader like Paul?

In your "SonLight Circle," pray for Godly lives to be lived by your circle. For those encountering persecution, to be emboldened to seek out the power of the Holy Spirit. Share prayer requests from the last question and pray over each other.