

Readings to prepare for the coming week:

___DAY 1 (February 24): Ephesians 2:1-9

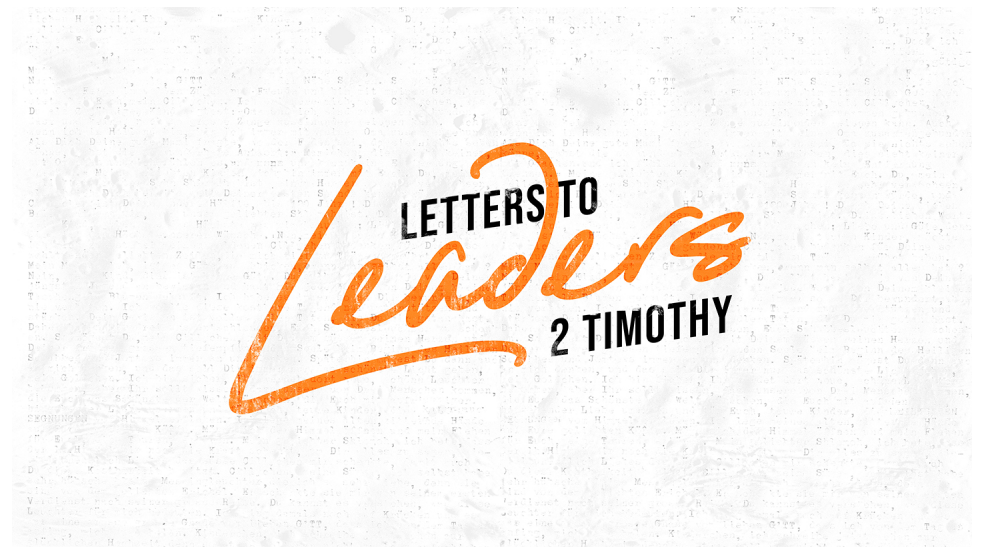
___DAY 2 (February 25): Micah 6:6-8

___DAY 3 (February 26): Romans 2:1-11

___DAY 4 (February 27): Hebrews 6:13-20

___DAY 5 (February 28): Romans 8:12-17

___DAY 6 (February 29): Romans 10:5-21



Leaders Are Always Ready

Week Seven

2 Timothy 4:1-8

This week we are looking at 2 Timothy 4:1-8. This passage is about being ready to preach, having active faith, fighting, running and keeping the faith. It's not just pastors that preach; preaching just means telling others the good news of Jesus Christ. If you are a follower of Jesus that is your calling, it's not just for pastors. We are to listen to the truth of God's word and those that teach it, not to teachers or pastors that just preach what you want to hear. A way to live out your faith is to do the work of an evangelist for Jesus Christ. To finish this life faithful to Jesus, keep fighting, keep running, keeping the faith!

Making it personal...

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

When you hear the word preach what do you think of? The word teach?

If you were asked to teach at this time, what would you say? Do you have a favorite message or verse that you would always be willing to share? What is the message or verse?

What teaching or preaching is popular in our culture? What do people actually need to hear? Why?

How can a cool head and a passion for sharing the good news of Jesus Christ go together?

What is the difference between the gifts of evangelism (Ephesians 4:11) and the work of an evangelist (2 Timothy 4:5)?

Who would you rather discuss Jesus Christ with, people from another religion, people on the street, or intellectuals? Why?

Are you convinced "departure" is better than life? What feelings do you have when you think about death?

Are we called to win the race or run the race? How does that affect your intentions to give 100% in your pursuit of Jesus?

In your "SonLight Circle," pray for opportunities to preach God's word, and to find the people that need to hear it most. Share prayer requests from the last question and pray over each other.