



Study Group: Participant Guide
2 Timothy 1:8-18 – July 12th-18th

CHECK-IN

*An opportunity to show authentic community as we **share the struggles** and **celebrate the victories** we've experienced in the last week.*

STUDY

Main Topics: Suffering, Unashamed, Support

Read 2 Timothy 1:8-18

- Why is the Gospel something that none of us should be ashamed of?
- What makes the Gospel worth suffering for according to this passage and elsewhere in Scripture?
- How does God empower His children amidst suffering?
- Paul says that God called us and saved us because of his own purposes and grace. How would we answer someone that says this makes God selfish?
 - Why isn't it selfish for God to save us because of His own purposes?
- What may have caused those in Asia to abandon Paul?
- What can we learn from Onesiphorus's example?
 - Why is it so significant that he is not ashamed of Paul's chains?

APPLY

- What would be difficult for you to let go of if it came in conflict with obeying Christ?
 - What does Jesus have to offer that it does not?
- What situations have you experienced over the last month where it has been difficult or unpopular to stand for Christ?
- If we considered suffering a blessing, how would it change our perspective?
- If God has saved us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, what effect should that have in our lives?
- How do you want to grow in being unashamed of the Gospel?
- Onesiphorus diligently sought for Paul in the city of Rome. Paul praises him for such effort. How will it change us if we believe that God rewards those who seek Him?
- How can you give greater support to those who are suffering for the sake of the Gospel?

(This curriculum has been supplemented by the Christ-Centered Exposition commentary by David Platt, Daniel Akin, and Tony Merida)