

# groups

Study Group: Participant Guide  
2 Timothy 2:14-26 – July 26<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>

## 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: Death & Life, Speaking, Transformation

- Pastor Bill shared that even through death God brings life. How does God's Word demonstrate this?

Read 2 Timothy 2:14-26

- Some people would use the fact that Paul is instructing Timothy to be a godly pastor as an excuse to say these characteristics do not need to be pursued by all believers. Why is that perspective out of alignment with God's Word?
- What differences stand out to you between an approved worker and a shameful worker in this passage?
- How is it tempting to argue over minute details instead of focusing on important issues?
- What are some examples of talk that spreads like gangrene?
  - How does God call us to handle this kind of talk?
- What's powerful about the image of being washed in the blood of Christ?
- How does one "correct his opponents with gentleness"?

## APPLY

- How have you been impacted by the testimony, celebration or recognition of Steve Bubar and Bill Hood Sr. over the last two weeks?
- This whole letter is an example of Timothy receiving instruction from Paul on how to follow Christ well and to lead others to do the same. Do you have men or women in our church that you give yourself to so they may lead you well?
- How do you need to be more conscientious of what you say?
- Pastor Bill said there are people in the Church who are like rust. How do we identify those kinds of people?
  - How do we love them like Jesus would?
- How do we set aside that which is dishonorable in our lives?
- Pastor Bill said, "I don't think we're going to quarrel somebody into the kingdom." What are some of the ways we can apply this?
- Pastor Bill made it clear God wants us to be a part of what He is doing by obeying Him. What excuses tempt you to ignore God's command to multiply His kingdom?
- Pastor Bill said, "Summer is over. Excuses are over. Go get this city!" How did those words impact you?

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