Discussion Questions

2 Timothy 2:14-26 - Avoiding Catastrophe Sunday, January 1,6 2025

Personal Check In:

- 1. Who are you currently praying for, or intentionally pursuing a relationship with, who is not currently a follower of Jesus?
- 2. What is one thing God has been teaching you about Himself or yourself this week?

Made to Multiply Thought:

3. Read aloud ACTS 10:44-48. How far does God's mission extend? Who does God use to accomplish that mission?

Reflecting on Scripture:

- 4. Read 2 Timothy 2:14-26 aloud twice. Then have one person be ready to retell the passage as best they can from memory. Have others in the group fill in the blanks of what may have been missed.
- 5. What stood out to you as the passage was read? What caught your attention or raised questions for you?
- 6. Use the four Discovery Bible Study questions to reflect on the passage:
 - a. What do we learn from this passage about God?
 - b. What do we learn from this passage about people/ourselves?
 - c. What is something from this passage that Jesus calls you to obey?
 - d. What would obedience to this passage look like for you this week?

Reflecting on the Sermon:

Paul instructs Timothy to watch out for wrong teaching and quarreling over foolish controversies that find their way into the church. Paul offers a firm foundation and guidance for dealing with those who spread wrong teaching.

- 7. In the sermon, Pastor Paul identified four ways that the "gangrene" or "rot" of wrong teaching and wrong believing finds its way into the church. Review those four ways.
- 8. In the sermon, Pastor Paul focused on v. 19 as the "cure" for catastrophes that come about from wrong teaching and wrong believing. What does Paul mean by the "firm foundation"?
- 9. Review the two assurances offered in v. 19. Why are they so important?
- 10. What is the "great house" Paul is referring to in verses 20-21? According to the sermon, what are the "dishonorable" vessels? How do we cleanse ourselves from them?

Reflecting on Life:

- 11. What are your goals for obeying what you have learned today and/or for pursuing gospel conversations this week?
- 12. Pray for our church, that individually and corporately we will faithfully endure in our love for Christ and focus on Him.

From the bulletin.... *Kingdom Implications for Your Life*:

13. In what ways are you allowing the church family to help you stay grounded on the firm foundation of Christ?