



“Ignite”

2 Timothy 3:1-7 | 05.14.23

Sermon Recap

- “Faith is not taught...faith is ‘caught.’” In other words, most of us were compelled to follow Jesus, not because we were convinced of a propositional truth, but because we saw the living Christ in someone else’s example.
- In the story his Sunday School teacher, Walt, Howard Hendricks reminds us that we don’t have to have a PhD in theology to ignite someone else’s faith; but we do need to have a PhD in caring.
- In Paul’s second letter to Timothy, he encourages his young protégé to reflect on the faith of his mother and grandmother that initially ignited his faith. Paul encourages Timothy to find refuge in their example and “fan the flame” of the spark they initially ignited.

Questions for Reflection and Discussion:

1. Can you think of an adult during your formative years who Walt (from Howard Hendricks’ story) reminds you of?
2. Spend some time discussing the following quote from John Wesley: “Light yourself on fire with passion and people will come from miles to watch you burn.”
3. How does this week’s message challenge you or inspire you? What questions might it raise for you?
4. Whose faith inspires you?
5. What is one practical way you can help ignite someone else’s faith in Jesus Christ?
6. How has your faith been ignited recently?
7. How can we pray for you?