

## Getting Fired Up!

2Timothy 1:3-6

### Introduction:

- A. Have you ever been fired up about something (in a good way)?
- B. Paul urged Timothy to get fired up in his service to God - Circumstances could have discouraged Timothy from serving God with z\_\_\_\_\_.
- C. All believers in Christ have been called to serve Him – how do we get fired up?

### The right reason for getting fired up in serving the Lord (2-5)

- A. Paul calls Timothy his true s\_\_\_\_\_ in the faith because he had brought Timothy to faith in Christ.
  - 1. Timothy's father was a G\_\_\_\_\_ - probably an unbeliever.
  - 2. Timothy's mother and grandmother were J\_\_\_\_\_ believers.
- B. Paul and Timothy developed a b\_\_\_\_\_ as they ministered side by side.
  - 1. When Timothy had to leave to minister in Ephesus, he c\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. Timothy acted upon his \_\_\_\_\_ faith.
- C. The Greek word describing faith (translated as genuine, sincere, unfeigned)
  - 1. Contains the word that translations universally translate as hypocrite. But this word has a prefix meaning n\_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. Hypocrite was the term applied to a\_\_\_\_\_ in plays.
  - 3. There are many who p\_\_\_\_\_ to live like a Christian.
- D. One cannot get fired up about serving the Lord without real faith.
  - 1. Faith means to r\_\_\_\_\_ upon.
  - 2. Jesus is the o\_\_\_\_\_ of our faith.
    - a. He has p\_\_\_\_\_ Himself to be perfectly trustworthy.
    - b. We cannot f\_\_\_\_\_ by depending on Jesus.

### The right kindling to fire us up in serving the Lord (6,7)

- A. The Greek text uses a word that pictures a person f\_\_\_\_\_ hot ashes into a burning fire.
  - 1. It is a compound of three words – up, l\_\_\_\_\_, and fire.
  - 2. We are to fire up the g\_\_\_\_\_ of God within us.
- B. The gift of God refers to a s\_\_\_\_\_ gift.
  - 1. Paul refers to a prophet telling what Timothy's spiritual gift was as they were having a ceremony in which Paul laid his h\_\_\_\_\_ on Timothy, dedicating him as a servant of God (1 Tim 4:14)

2. Timothy's gift had to do with t \_\_\_\_\_ and leading (2 Tim 2:2).
- C. What might have kept Timothy from exercising his gift of leading or teaching in a zealous manner? – f \_\_\_\_\_ because of the opposition that existed in the Ephesian churches.
- D. God has given us the right kindling to fire up that spiritual gift. It is NOT f \_\_\_\_\_ but:
1. P \_\_\_\_\_ - fueled by prayer
  2. L \_\_\_\_\_ - refers to an unselfish act done for another person's good
  3. D \_\_\_\_\_ - refers to not being lax
- E. A spiritual gift is given to e \_\_\_\_\_ believer to use in building others up (1 Pet 4:10,11).
1. Classification of gifts (1 Pet 4:10,11; Rom 12:7,8)
    - a. Speaking gifts
      - 1) T \_\_\_\_\_
      - 2) L \_\_\_\_\_
      - 3) E \_\_\_\_\_
    - b. Doing gifts
      - 1) S \_\_\_\_\_
      - 2) G \_\_\_\_\_
      - 3) M \_\_\_\_\_
  2. What is your gift?
    - a. You need not k \_\_\_\_\_ it before you exercise it.
    - b. Take o \_\_\_\_\_ to build up others and God will lead you into using your gift.
    - c. When ministering with God's power, unselfish love, and discipline, you will be fired up!

### Assignment

Look over the list of ministry opportunities of LBC.

Check one or two that you would like to try doing.

Circle the ones you are already doing.

Let the pastor know when you are ready to discuss your part.

*Stir up the spiritual gift of God inside you (2 Tim 2:6). As each believer has received a spiritual gift, use it in serving one another as good stewards of God's grace (1 Pet 4:10). Fuel it with God's power, unselfish love, and discipline (2 Tim 2:7).*