

OUTLINE & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

FAITHFULNESS IN AN AGE OF RESTLESSNESS

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2 TIMOTHY 2:1-7

Faithfulness: Dependable and trustworthy behavior expressed

The Faithfulness Quality of the Soldier: _____

The Faithfulness Quality of the Athlete: _____

The Faithfulness Quality of the Farmer: _____

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

Icebreaker: In an alternate universe, which profession would you most likely be found doing? Soldier, athlete, or farmer? Tell us why.

1. Why is "faithfulness" one of the fruit of the spirit that's easy to forget, compared to the other eight?

2. Do you believe faithfulness is a value of the culture we live in? Why or why not?

3. Name someone in your life who you would describe as "faithful." What makes them a faithful person?

4. Re-read 2 Timothy 2:1-7. What makes a soldier faithful? What makes an athlete faithful? What makes a farmer faithful? Take your time to dig into each metaphor individually and name the qualities that stick out the most.

5. Of the 3 metaphors that Paul uses, which one sticks out to you personally, and why?

6. In the sermon, Pastor David said, "Faithfulness is not achieved in isolation." And he used the image of the sequoia tree to demonstrate this principle of being rooted with other people in your life. Why is community so important for us to develop the fruit of faithfulness? What do other people have to offer us?

7. We cannot out-faithful God. We can only be faithful because God himself is faithful first. In what ways has God been faithful in your life?

8. What does it look like to pass your faithfulness on to others in your life?

Prayer Prompt/Application - Near the end of the message, Pastor David mentioned needing spiritual parents or grandparents to model faithfulness for the next generation. Ask God to show you who could be a role model for you, or for whom you could serve as a spiritual parent/grandparent. In the next 1-2 days, reach out to them and share how you are impacted by their faith.