Group Discussion Guide



The Call to Preach II Timothy 4:1-5

SHARING

Hymns (What we're praising God for):

Lessons (What God is teaching us):

Requests (What we're asking God to do):

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

Read the passage (II Timothy 4:1-5) and answer the following questions:

- 1. What stands out most and why?
- 2. What does the passage reveal to us about God?
- 3. What does the passage reveal to us about ourselves?
- 4. What are the immediate application points?

DEEPER DISCUSSION

- 1. On Sunday we talked about how the call to preach is a "sacred" calling. What is it that makes it so sacred?
- 2. Read Hebrews 13:17. How are congregations supposed to respond to their leaders? Why are they to respond that way?
- 3. What do you think Paul meant when he said Timothy was to be "ready in season and out of season?" Can you think of reasons why preaching might be "in season" or "out of season?"
- 4. Paul warns Timothy that there will come a time when sound doctrine will not be desired. What are the effects on a church body that has abandoned sound doctrine?
- 5. How does Paul describe the duties of pastoral work (verse 5)?
- 6. We mentioned on Sunday that faithfulness is a far more worthwhile goal than success. What does it take for a person to be content to surrender their pursuits to faithfulness?