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devo guide HEAR

HIGHLIGHT the Scripture. Open your Bible and ask the Holy Spirit to teach, correct and train you (2 Timothy 3:16). Read the passage out loud and then silently a few times. Keep these things in mind as you read:

- What is happening in this passage?
- What things are emphasized, repeated, related?

EXPLAIN the Passage. Spend time reflecting

Make observations

- Compare/contrast, “if-then” statements, trace the argument, etc.

Ask questions

- Who are the main characters?
- What is the author's intent?
- Are there key words or phrases?
- What happens in the surrounding verses/chapters?
- How do you think the author wants his audience to respond?
- What do you see about God? What is God doing in this passage?
- What do you see about man?
- What's the difference between the biblical audience and me?
- What do you learn about God's character?
- Does this passage point to/speak of Jesus?

Sum it up: In your words articulate the main idea of this passage.

APPLY the Passage. After examining the passage, apply it your life.

- What wrong beliefs about God and myself did I have?
- How do I need to repent?
- What truths do I need to believe?
- What false beliefs must I turn from?
- Is there an application in the text? A promise to claim? Action/attitude to avoid or embrace? Command or exhortation to live out?
- What difference does this make?

Up: What do you learn about God the Father, the Son, and/or the Spirit? What do you learn about the cross and resurrection?

In: How has this passage encouraged you? How has it challenged unbelief and sin in your life?

Out: How does this passage equip you to more lovingly live in Christian community? How does this passage spur you on to engage those around you who don't know Jesus?

- What can I do, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to apply this passage within 24 to 48 hours?

RESPOND to the passage in your life. Pray through the passage and your application asking God to change your heart and life.

You’ve made it through camp and your drive back home. Instead of life going back to normal, we hope you were transformed while at camp and want to continue that change in your life. In these post-camp devotionals, we will continue using the HEAR method while we walk through 2 Timothy. By the end of the book, we pray you will be fully confident that you can understand any passage of Scripture and that you’re familiar with your tools to decipher the meaning of the Word.

As always, let’s begin in prayer.

Dear God, thank You for my time at camp and how I was able to grow closer to You. I pray that I will continue to grow every day as I read Your Word. Amen.

Paul wrote a second letter to Timothy, his son in the faith. Timothy was a young pastor in Ephesus and Paul wrote to encourage him to keep the faith, to warn him against false teachers, and to remind him to preach the Word.

READ **2 Timothy 1**

Highlight: Highlight or underline anything that stands out to you from the passage. Notice the encouragement Paul gave to Timothy and what Paul wrote about Jesus.

Explain: Write the message of chapter 1 in your own words. Use as many sentences as you need.

Paul began his letter to Timothy with a normal introduction and then encouraged young Timothy to "fan the flame" of his pastoral gift and to have a spirit of power, love, and self-control. Paul also encouraged Timothy and the church in Ephesus to guard the good deposit of the Holy Spirit. Paul meant that they were to make sure they protected their church from false teachers and spirits who were not from God.

Apply: How does chapter 1 speak into your life? Do you need the reminder of what Christ did or maybe the encouragement to live in your calling? Do your closest friends all have the deposit of the Holy Spirit in their hearts?

Respond: Write a simple action statement or prayer from the passage.

End your time with God in prayer and ask Him for boldness to share the gospel today.

Let's begin this time in prayer.

Dear God, Thank You for Your Word that it is sharper than any sword. Thank You that Your Word refines my faith every day. I pray that I would prove myself worthy of Your name and that I would share You with others. Amen.

One of the advantages of reading a book chapter by chapter is that you already know what was happening in the letter to Timothy because you just read chapter 1. Paul encouraged Timothy to continue in his calling and to guard the spirit in his church.

READ 2 Timothy 2

Highlight: Highlight anything that stands out to you from this chapter. You may recognize some verses in this chapter from events and programs in your church. Take a moment to see these verses in their context.

Explain: What was God intending to communicate in chapter 2? Try to write a one-sentence explanation of verses 1-13 and another sentence for verses 14-26.

Paul encouraged Timothy to be strong in the faith. Paul wrote the letter while he was in prison, but he reminded Timothy that although Christians might be arrested and jailed, the gospel could not be put behind bars. He then encouraged Timothy to diligently teach the Word and to remember that the Lord would separate the false teachers from the true ones.

Apply: How can you be more like Timothy as a worker who does not need to be ashamed? How does your life show that the gospel cannot be imprisoned?

Respond: Write a simple statement of action that you plan to do based on what you read in this chapter.

End this time in prayer asking for God’s constant refinement in your life and commit to meet with Him daily.

Begin this time with the Lord in prayer.

Dear God, I thank You for Your Word. Even though others and I may sin against You, I can be guided to righteousness by Your Word. Thank You for Your Word and allow me to learn from it today. Amen.

Let's continue in this letter Paul wrote Timothy. As you read, notice the character traits he described. Which of these do you see in the world today? What specific solution does Paul give for the problems of the world?

READ 2 Timothy 3

Highlight: Highlight those things that stand out to you from chapter 3 of this letter to Timothy. Notice in verse 5 what Paul said for Timothy to do with the types of people listed in the first few verses.

Explain: Write a summary of this chapter of Scripture in two to three sentences. Perhaps try to summarize the first 9 verses in one sentence and the last 8 in another.

Paul described what people are like: lovers of self, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient, and unfortunately, many more things. As you read Paul's words, you might have noticed some things on Paul's list describe you, your siblings, or those close to you. To be clear, when Paul wrote in verse 5 "avoid such people," he was not telling you to avoid your family members but to make the decision not to do what they do. With non-family members, Paul said to avoid them. However, he did not leave it at that. Paul showed a solution for believers to avoid falling into those traps. He said if we stay close to the Word of God, we will not fall into temptation.

Apply: How does this passage relate to your life? What sins do you need to remove from your life and how can you stay close to Scripture?

Respond: Write a statement of action or a prayer from this passage.

End this time in prayer and ask God to help you stay in His Word and follow Him with all you are.

Let’s begin this last devotional in 2 Timothy in prayer.

Dear God, I thank You that I can meet with You. I pray that today I hear directly from You for my life. Amen.

Today is the last day of our 2 Timothy devotionals. You will notice that Paul gave Timothy a final charge and then some personal instructions. As you read chapter 4, look for what Paul said to Timothy the pastor and also about those who listen. Notice in his personal instructions what Paul wrote about his attitude toward those who did not like him.

READ 2 Timothy 4

Highlight: Highlight what stands out to you from the passage.

Explain: Write God’s intended meaning of the passage in two to three sentences.

Paul wrote that pastors should preach the Word and hearers should want the Word preached. Additionally, all believers should be calm, endure the hardships of faith, and share the gospel. Paul also demonstrated that believers should not have ill will towards those that are against them because ultimately believers are the only ones with hope.

Apply: How does this passage speak into your life?

Respond: Write a simple statement of action or prayer that comes from this chapter.

As this is your last post-camp written devo, we want to charge you to make sure this is not your last devotional. Go now and take another book of the Bible and use the HEAR method to read and understand it. We would encourage you to next read either the book of John or the book of James. They are excellent places to continue in your faith.

If you would like more information on the HEAR method, go to lifeway.com/en/articles/what-is-the-hear-method-and-how-do-i-use-it

End this time thanking God that His Word never returns void and ask for endurance to continue meeting with Him daily.



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