

## COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

Generations | "Guard The Good Deposit" | 2 Tim. 1:1-14 | Pastor Mike McKinney

Monday, Jan. 12 - Sunday, Jan. 18 (Week 1)

*What if the impact of your faith could echo through generations? In this sermon launching a two-year "Generations" generosity initiative, Pastor Mike cast a compelling vision for preserving and proclaiming the gospel in Paramus and beyond. Drawing from Paul's final letter to Timothy, he emphasized how genuine passion for Christ is essential for spiritual impact. Church at Bergen faces a pivotal moment as we aim to raise \$3.9 million to establish a permanent gospel outpost, strengthen ministries, and purchase a facility. Yet more than funds, Pastor Mike stressed that impacting future generations requires an unfading passion for Jesus that produces both courage to suffer for Christ and vigilance in protecting gospel truth. Through personal stories and biblical wisdom, he challenged the congregation to fan into flame their love for Christ, noting that "people don't absorb what you say - they absorb what you're passionate about." This pivotal moment calls the church to unite in prayer, participation and proclamation to lay a foundation for gospel ministry that will impact generations to come.*

**QUESTION #1** - Who are the people who first passed the gospel on to you? How are you stewarding that deposit today?

**QUESTION #2** - Where in your life are you tempted to be ashamed of the gospel or silent about your faith?

**QUESTION #3** - What specific steps can you take to guard and pass on the gospel in your home, church, and community?

**QUESTION #4** - "GENERATIONS" generosity initiative is about ensuring the gospel continues in Paramus and beyond long after we're gone.

- What emotions or thoughts come up when you think about your own legacy of faith? Does it excite you, convict you, or overwhelm you?
- If you were to write a "last letter" to your children, grandchildren, or spiritual children (like Paul did to Timothy), what would be the one thing you'd want them to know about Jesus? How can you start living/speaking that truth now rather than waiting?