



# GENERATIONS

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## COMMUNITY GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Generations | Snow Day Week | 2 Timothy

Monday, Feb. 23 - Sunday, March 1 (Week 7)

### Emphasis for the Month: **Deepening Roots Through Consistency**

The excitement of a new semester has settled into the rhythm of real life. This is the stage where groups either grow deeper or drift into routine. Month two is about strengthening what you started and helping your group move from surface connection to meaningful community. Now is the time to deepen the roots.

#### **Stay consistent.**

Faithful presence matters more than perfect meetings. Keep showing up prepared, prayerful, and expectant. Consistency builds trust, and trust builds openness.

#### **Draw quieter people in.**

By now you can notice who talks easily and who holds back. Gently invite quieter members to share. A simple, “We’d love to hear from you,” can go a long way.

#### **Follow up personally.**

A quick text, call, or coffee meeting during the week communicates care. Shepherding often happens between meetings, not just in them.

#### **Revisit the “why.”**

Remind your group that you’re not just gathering for discussion, but for transformation. We gather to know Christ more, love one another well, and live on mission.

#### **Pray for growth, not just needs.**

Pray for spiritual maturity, obedience, boldness in witness, and increasing love for Christ. Ask God to actively shape your people.

#### **Remember:**

Healthy groups aren’t built on hype but on steady faithfulness. The Lord often works most powerfully through ordinary, consistent investment over time.



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As the Generations initiative continues, help your group see that discipleship is not a moment but a movement. God is forming people who will pass on faith, invest in others, and live generously for His kingdom. Thank you for your faithful leadership. God uses steady shepherds to build strong communities.

### CAB ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Please join us for our prayer gathering every Tuesday night at 6:30PM
2. **Commitment Sunday** - Sunday, March 1. This will be the last Sunday in our Generations series when all people who are committing to the vision will bring their commitment cards to church filled out and offer them to God during the service.

**ICE BREAKER:** If you had to summarize the Generations generosity initiative in just 3 words, what would they be?

**PRAYER FOR DISCUSSION:** Leader or Co-Leader prays for the discussion time. Pray that The Holy Spirit would assist in the conversing, processing, and listening of the discussion.

**DISCUSSION TIME:** Have someone read the summary below and then begin the questions:

### Generations Series Recap:

Over the past five weeks, we've walked together through 2 Timothy and traced one clear calling: God has entrusted us with the gospel, and we are called to guard it, live it, and pass it on faithfully to the next generation. The whole series has been about preserving and proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ so that it will continue to be told for generations to come.

### Week 1: Guard the Good Deposit (2 Timothy 1:1–14):

The first week focused on the gospel as a sacred trust. Paul reminded Timothy of the sincere faith passed down to him and called him to fan into flame the gift of God, reject fear, and not be ashamed of Christ. The central command was to guard the good deposit by the Holy Spirit. The emphasis was this: we have received the gospel from others, and now we are responsible to steward it faithfully for those who come after us.

### Week 2: Faithful Soldiers (2 Timothy 1:15–2:13):

In week two, the theme shifted to endurance. Paul called Timothy to be strengthened by grace, entrust the truth to faithful people, and endure hardship like a good soldier. The images of the soldier, athlete, and farmer



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showed that faithfulness requires focus, discipline, and perseverance. The heart of the week was that gospel ministry is costly, but we endure because Jesus is risen, the Word of God is not bound, and God remains faithful.

### **Week 3: Faithful Servants (2 Timothy 2:14–26):**

Week three emphasized character and conduct in ministry. Paul warned against quarrels and empty talk, and he urged Timothy to rightly handle the word of truth. God's people are called to be vessels of honor, set apart, useful, and ready for every good work. This week highlighted that faithful servants are not marked by being combative, but by kindness, patience, gentleness, and truth, trusting God to use that truth to bring others to repentance.

### **Week 4: Faithful to the Scriptures (2 Timothy 3:1–17):**

Week four centered on the authority and sufficiency of Scripture in a world full of deception and moral confusion. Paul described difficult times and false teaching, but then called Timothy to continue in what he had learned from the sacred writings. The key truth was that all Scripture is God-breathed and is profitable to teach, correct, and train God's people so they are equipped for every good work. The emphasis here was to stay rooted in God's Word and pass that trust in Scripture on to future generations.

### **Week 5: Faithful to the End (2 Timothy 4:1–8):**

In week five, Paul gave a solemn charge: preach the Word in every season, whether people want to hear it or not. This week was about urgency, endurance, and finishing well. Paul's own example, being poured out, fighting the good fight, finishing the race, keeping the faith, showed us what long obedience looks like. The focus was not just starting strong, but remaining faithful all the way to the end, with our eyes set on Christ and the crown He promises.

### **Next week, on Commitment Sunday, Week 6: Faithful Savior (2 Timothy 4:9–22):**

The final week will bring everything home by showing that beneath all our calls to faithfulness is an even deeper comfort: Jesus is the Faithful Savior. Paul ends with very personal details of betrayal, loneliness, hardship, but he says, "the Lord stood by me and strengthened me." The final emphasis of the series is that this mission does not ultimately rest on our strength, but on Christ's faithfulness. He is the one who sustains His people, advances His message, and will bring us safely into His heavenly kingdom.



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**Taken together, this series has been a call for our church to be a people who:**

- Guard the gospel
- Endure for the gospel
- Serve with truth and gentleness
- Stand on Scripture
- Finish faithfully
- Trust the Faithful Savior

And all of it has been aimed at one larger vision: that the gospel would continue to be proclaimed in our church, our homes, and our community for **GENERATIONS** to come.

**QUESTION #1** - What part of the Generations vision stands out to you most right now: Disciple (next generation), Engage (outreach), Expand (permanent home), or something else - and why?

**QUESTION #2** - It has been emphasized numerous times that this is not mainly about a building, but about forming disciples and preserving/proclaiming the gospel. What has helped you / is helping you keep that perspective clear in your own heart?

**QUESTION #3** - If you're honest, what do you most fear giving up if you become more sacrificially generous over the next two years?

**QUESTION #4** - How has your experience been praying specifically about your commitment? What is / has God revealed to you and what do you think He is calling you to?

**QUESTION #5** - What practical steps do you need to take before Sunday to be ready (pray together, review budget, discuss as a couple, talk honestly, etc.)?

**QUESTION #6** - What would it look like for you (and your family) to come to Commitment Sunday with a heart posture of worship rather than mere obligation?

**QUESTION #7** - How have you seen God meet you, grow you, or free you through generosity in these last several weeks? Even if it seems small, please share!



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**PRAY TOGETHER:** Spend time taking ***and recording*** prayer requests and then pray together as a group (*I strongly encourage you to send out the prayer requests weekly to your group to keep everyone informed and in the loop on how to pray for one another throughout the week. This also makes it easier to check-in with people who have shared requests to see how the Lord has been working in their lives*).



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