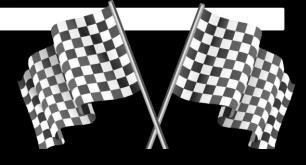


A STUDY IN SECOND TIMOTHY





II Timothy 2:1-7 Pain is NOT necessarily bad



It draws us into a much deep, intimate, God-reliant place



SUFFER HARDSHIP WITH ME



II Timothy 2:1-2 Paul on a few occasions refers to Timothy as my son or my child I Timothy 1:2



I Timothy 1:18 II Timothy 1:2 I Corinthians 4:7



Paul definitely had at least a fatherly (mentor-type) role in Timothy's life (perhaps it was Paul himself who led Timothy to Christ?)

Each of us are tasked to come alongside someone else to teach them to be what we already are (basically "Follow me as I follow Christ")



Matthew 28:19-20 "Disciples" implies an investment in someone else (sharing life)



The Gospel needs to be heard & received (individually) But the Gospel also needs to be passed on & faught

Each of us need to come alongside another believer & pour into them (like Paul did to Timothy) II Timothy 2:3a



II Corinthians 11:22-27 Sometimes following Jesus Christ comes with a COST

It's actually in those dark & difficult times that Jesus' love & faithfulness are the MOST tangible & real (in a practical sense)



Joni Eareckson Tada – "I wouldn't trade places with anybody in this world to be THIS Close to Jesus"



SO WHAT?