

Oct 5/25 – Small Group Questions - 2 Timothy 1:vv1-14.

(NB You don't have to answer them all.)

- 1) Paul writes about Timothy's faith first in his Grandmother and mother. How would you describe your home life when growing up?
- 2) Reflecting on your faith journey, who were your guides/mentors; ie family members, school teachers, Sunday school, other?
- 3) Paul encourages Timothy to fan into flame the gift of God. Lyn used an example of logs put on a fire to keep it burning. What do you do to fan that flame? What or who are the 'logs'?
- 4) Paul is concerned about others who are deviating from the "sound words" that Paul is teaching. How do you stick with those sound words? How do you, or might you, pass on sound words to the next generation. Does social media play a part in that?
- 5) Lyn quoted Karen Stiller who said "I choose to believe." How do you manage doubts and discouragement?
- 6) A final question to ponder: Paul speaks of grace/gift. When you think of a gift what comes to mind? Is it the same as grace? Eg thankfulness, obligation to return a gift, no obligation to return gift, (the pressure of Christmas) a bribe. An anonymous gift does not allow the person receiving it to thank the giver. What are your thoughts on that?

Note: Professor John Barclay, author of 'Paul and the Power of Grace' will be one of the speakers at the Wycliffe College Fall Scripture & Theology Colloquium, Friday October 24.