II Timothy 1:1-7 Faithful Followers

Following Christ – our call (1-2)

It must be OF CHRIST - His call and His leading

It must be BY HIS WILL – not our own (Proverbs 16:1; 20:24; 21:30)

It must be ACCORDING TO HIS PROMISE - of life (John 10:10 / II Peter 1:3-4)

Fanning into flame our gift (3-7)

Readiness to serve

It requires a thankful heart (I Thessalonians 5:16-18 / Philippians 2:14-15))

It requires godly examples (I Corinthians 11:1 / Philippians 3:17)

It requires a clear conscience (Acts 24:16 / I John 1:9)

It requires continual prayer (Ephesians 1:16)

Recalling tears – we need to bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:1-2 / II Corinthians 11:28)

Remembering sincere faith – is it real (I Thessalonians 1:4-5) – Generations of influence

Recognition by others – the laying on of hands (Acts 13:2-3)

Relying on the Holy Spirit – the gift of God

Fearless (I John 4:18 / Hebrews 10:39)

Filled with power and love (Colossians 1:28-29 / Ephesians 3:17)

Functioning properly – with a sound mind and self-discipline (Romans 6:11-14)

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Discussion questions for II Timothy 1:1-7
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How can we discover God's call upon our lives?
       (I Thessalonians 4:3; 5:16-18)
       (Luke 16:10)
       (Proverbs 3:5-6 / Romans 12:1-2)
How can we be made ready to serve our Lord?
       (II Corinthians 5:14-15)
       (Isaiah 66:2 / James 4:8-10)
       (II Corinthians 12:15)
How can we recognize the Holy Spirit's influence in our lives?
       (I John 4:16-18)
       (Acts 20:24)
       (Galatians 2:20-21)
       (Galatians 5:22-24)
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