Life Group Questions

"Fan the Flame

2 Timothy 1:1-14

## **Discussion Questions 💬**

**Pastor Matt talks about rekindling or fanning the flame of faith. What are some practical ways we can rekindle our faith when it feels like it's growing dim?**

* The sermon discusses how fires need oxygen, repositioning of wood, or new kindling to keep burning - similarly our faith needs specific actions to stay strong
* What specific area of your spiritual life feels like it needs rekindling right now, and what first step could you take this week?

**In 2 Timothy 1:7, Paul writes that 'God has not given us a spirit of fear, but one of power, love, and sound judgment.' How does this verse apply to sharing our faith in today's culture?**

* The sermon discusses how early Christians faced shame and persecution for their faith, similar to how believers today might face social rejection
* When was the last time fear prevented you from sharing your faith, and how might this verse encourage you to respond differently next time?

**How can being part of a church community help sustain and strengthen our faith when we face challenges?**

* Pastor Matt emphasized the importance of not forsaking gathering together and how others' testimonies can encourage our own faith
* What specific ways has your church community helped strengthen your faith in difficult times?

**The sermon talks about how Paul and Timothy had a close mentoring relationship. Why is spiritual mentorship important, and what does a healthy mentoring relationship look like?**

* Paul referred to Timothy as his 'dearly loved son' and invested deeply in his spiritual growth
* Who has mentored you spiritually, and how might you mentor someone else in their faith journey?

**The sermon discusses how living out our faith might not show immediate results, but can impact people years later. How does this perspective change how we view our daily Christian witness?**

* Pastor Matt shared about how Pastor Laura still receiving messages years later from people impacted by her faith in high school
* What motivates you to keep living out your faith even when you don't see immediate results?

## **Prayer 🙏**

As we close our session, let’s first share any personal prayer requests:

* Ask God to help us rekindle the gift He has placed within us and to remain steadfast in faith.
* Seek strength to live without fear, embracing power, love, and sound judgment as encouraged by Paul’s message.
* Pray for courage to share the Gospel boldly, despite cultural pressures and opposition.
* Request guidance to foster mentoring relationships, using Paul and Timothy’s bond as an example.