



Topeka Bible Church
The Life of Paul, Episode 17:
“What Does a MOG/WOG Look Like?”
Community Group Study Questions
Acts 16:1-5; 1 Corinthians 4:17; Philippians 2:19-22;
Selected passages from 1 and 2 Timothy

1. What kind of spiritual heritage (if any) do you have? Do you recall specific examples of parents or grandparents passing their faith down to you (*2 Timothy 1:5; 3:15*)? If you are a parent or grandparent, what are you doing to provide a great Christian heritage for your children?

2. Can you identify with any of Timothy's weaknesses (sickness, *1 Timothy 5:23*; timidity, *2 Timothy 2:1*; emotions, *2 Timothy 1:4*)? If not, what is a weakness of yours? How can these weaknesses actually turn into strengths (*Galatians 4:13-14; Psalm 119:71*)?

3. What do you think Timothy's gifts were (*1 Timothy 4:14; 2 Timothy 1:6*)? What might be your gifts? How are you using them? Do you consider yourself to be a teachable person or a defensive one (*2 Timothy 2:2*)?

4. Are these sermons and Study Questions helping you to become more “Bible-wise” (*1 Timothy 3:14-15*)? What other ways are you getting to know the Scriptures (see also *Matthew 4:1-4* and *2 Timothy 3:16*)?

5. The word for “sincere” in *2 Timothy 1:5* literally means “unhypocritical.” Do you ever find it hard to be authentic around other Christians? How can you grow in this area? Who can encourage you in this growth?

6. Is being cheerful and positive usually associated with godliness (*Philippians 2:14-19*)? Who is a positive person that you know? Do you think selfless concern for others is as rare today as it was in Timothy’s day (*Philippians 2:20-22*)? How is Christ working in your life to make you less obsessed with yourself and more focused on others?

7. Are you a faithful person (*1 Corinthians 4:17* and *1 Thessalonians 3:2*)? In which areas of your life are you faithful? In which areas do you struggle to be faithful? What is God calling you to be faithful in this week? Share this with others so they can pray for you.

Memory Verse:

“For this reason I have sent to you Timothy, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, and he will remind you of my ways which are in Christ, just as I teach everywhere in every church.”

(1 Corinthians 4:17, NASB)