



# THE LEGACY THAT LASTS

## WHY MUST WE SUFFER?

2 TIMOTHY 2:8-13

### GETTING STARTED

- Talk about a time in your life when you experienced suffering. How did that form you? What did you learn? How did you get through it? If you are suffering, what are you holding onto right now that is getting you through this season?

### SCRIPTURE STUDY

**Before you begin:** *Open with prayer and spend a minute or two in silence before God. Have multiple people ask the Holy Spirit to enter your time together and illuminate your hearts and minds to scripture.*

- Have someone read the passage in its entirety aloud. As a group, summarize the passage, and as you do so, note any observations, questions, and exciting insights you found while reading through the text. What jumped out at you? What was something you noticed now that you didn't see before?
- How come Paul is focused on Remembering Christ Jesus? Why does he include the descriptor "offspring of David?"
- Paul is in prison, describing the significance of the phrase "Word of God is not bound?" (v.9) What does he mean by this?
- What does Paul mean when he says that he endures everything for the sake of the elect? Why does Paul still labor if the Holy Spirit is the only one that leads us to a knowledge of Jesus and salvation?

### WRAPPING UP

- As a group, take some time to meditate on the last verses in 11-13. Read them slowly to yourself...How does this hymn give us hope for the difficult times?