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When we trade growing in faith for playing it safe.



Grow Deep Conversation Questions: Use these questions to help you process the message in your personal time of study or with your group. Time suggestions are based on a 90 minute group gathering.

Message Recap: God's desire for us is transformation, not perfection. But do we live lives that are open to change?

» Opening

- Introductions this is especially important if this is your first meeting and if there are new members
 - Housekeeping clarify expectations
 - Announcements: These are in your Community News email. Please read and communicate! Encourage participation!
 - Remind your group that this is a confidential meeting
 - Remember there may be many thoughts and views. Please remain kind and respectful during conversations.
- Pray open your time together in prayer

» Introduction

• Ice-Breaker: What does it mean to "Live Your Truth?"

• Digging Deeper: Describe a time when someone encouraged you to "Live Your Truth." What was the outcome?

>> Observation | Read 2 Timothy 2:14-19

• What are your initial reactions to this passage? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?

» Key Principle | Truth requires a new position.

- Why has our world placed so much importance on having all the answers?
- What does it look like to be innovative? How can we be innovative in our faith?

> Choose Your Work | Reference 2 Timothy 2:14-15; 3:16-17

- According to verse 15, what was Timothy to model? What do you think it means to be approved by God as a teacher of the Word?
- In our world today, what are some of the things followers of Jesus are ashamed of? What would happen if we lived unashamed instead?

> Choose Your Chatter | Reference 2 Timothy 2:16-17

- Describe a time when your "irreverent babble" spread like gangrene. Why did Paul use such graphic words here? What effect do these words have on you?
- Where in your life do you need to speak less and listen more?

>> Choose Your People | Reference 2 Timothy 2:18-19

- Are the people you choose to follow full of gangrene, or are they pushing you toward truth? Toward joy? Toward grace? Toward love?
- Who do you need to invite into your journey as you pursue God?

\gg Next Steps and Prayer |

- What are you faking in your relationship with God that you want to be real? What step can you take this week toward God?
- Close by praying for each other, asking God to reveal to each individual the ways He wants to transform them to experience His unending change within.

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