

These questions are for the May 10, 2026, message, "Faithful Women." Please read the sermon passage (2 Timothy 2:3-7) out loud.

### Passage Outline

As we honor our Mothers . . .

1. Stop and pray (3). Give thanks to God.
  - a. Timothy's mother is Eunice, and his grandmother is Lois (Acts 16:1-3).
    - i. She is a Jewish believer, married to a Greek unbeliever.
    - ii. Though young, Paul exhorted Timothy to be a godly example (1 Tim 4:12).
  - b. You can pray earnestly and give thanks to God for your mother:
    - i. For her strengths: thank Him for the immediate blessing.
    - ii. For her weaknesses: thank Him for His gracious nearness, kindness & patience.
2. Remember the extremes (4)
  - a. Tears: she was there for you at your lowest, when you would have quit.
  - b. Joy: her desire is to be with you.
  - c. Whether you have a mom like this or not, you can be a friend like this.
3. Be the legacy (5-7).
  - a. Sincere faith (no hypocrisy): follow Christ because He is your salvation.
  - b. Resiliency: do not neglect the gifts that God has given you to serve His church.
  - c. Serve Christ's family: Moms are called to change the world.
    - i. You cannot do it all. God provides the resources within the church.
    - ii. The substance of faithfulness: love the Word of God (2 Tim 3:14-15).

### Life Group Discussion Questions

1. From number 1, above: Paul was thanking God for Timothy, and the impact Lois and Eunice had on his life. What are two or three specific things that you thank God for about your mom and her influence in the world and on your life?
2. From number 1, above: How did your mom's weaknesses drive you to pray, seek the Lord and wait upon God for provision and transformation? What about forgiveness?
3. From number 2, above: How was your mom (or a friend) faithful in the extremes of your life? How did she exhort you when you would have quit? How did she correct you when you would have wandered? How has Jesus been the friend who sticks closer than a brother (or mother) in your extremes?
4. From number 3, above: Because of the transforming work of the Holy Spirit through the Word of God (2 Tim 3:14-15), we can be like Lois and Eunice.
  - a. Is your faith sincere? Without hypocrisy? No playacting?
  - b. What does it look like for you to "fan into flame the gift of God" to serve Him?
  - c. Less anxiety: Moms (and all of us) cannot change the world without the sovereign, gracious and calming help of the church, and the desire of our kids (and adult kids) to participate. How can we pray for you?