

NWC Questions

for Personal Study and Small Groups - Feb 22, 2015

Passage: 2 Timothy 4:9-18

1. Why does Demas leave Paul? What does this mean?
2. In what ways are we tempted to leave the mission of God out of a love for this world? Try and consider more 'sanitized' ways we do this...things that would allow you to remain the church and appear righteous, though leaving the mission.
3. How would you describe Paul's situation from vss. 9-16?
4. How was Paul able to have strength to withstand these trials (vs. 17)?
5. What was he doing? What was his mission?
6. Describe the forward look of vs. 18. What does Paul's hope in heaven seem to be doing for him in the face of difficulty in the mission of God?
7. Work through what it may look like to have confidence to 'fully proclaim the message' while trusting that the "Lord will deliver us safely into His Kingdom". Try and connect the dots like Paul that a hope in heaven will encourage us to be confident in the face of difficulty in the Mission of God.