

Growth Group Homework  
For the week of May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026

**Getting Started: Get to know each other**

1. What's one thing God has been doing in your life lately (life updates) or something that you're asking Him to do (life needs) that you'd be willing to share with the group?

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**The Message: 2 Timothy 2:1-7**

**What fuels FAITHFUL ENDURANCE when following Jesus gets COSTLY?**

**Point 1.** \_\_\_\_\_(1-2)

**Point 2.** \_\_\_\_\_(3-7)

**Big Idea.** \_\_\_\_\_

1. Was there anything from the message that challenged, confused, or spoke to you? If so, can you share with the rest of the group?

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2. Jacob said that when Paul refers to grace, he's referencing an understanding grace that he defined in 2 Tim 1:9-10. According to this passage, what is the gospel? How does it define salvation - not by our works, but by God's eternal purpose and grace in Christ - and what does it mean that Jesus has "abolished death and brought life and immortality to light"?

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3. Paul commands Timothy to “be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus.” What does this reveal about the nature of the Christian life—that growth and endurance are not self-generated but flow from grace? Why can this be so difficult for us to truly live out?

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4. If endurance is fueled by the future we have in Christ, what does that reveal about the role of hope in the Christian life? How does losing sight of eternity practically weaken our faith, priorities, and obedience?

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5. The sermon’s big idea is that we don’t endure by trying harder, but by drawing deeper. Why is self-reliance ultimately incompatible with the gospel? How does focusing and leaning on God’s grace provide a better path to enduring hardship in life?

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**APPLICATION QUESTION:**

If endurance in the Christian life flows from (past, present, and future) grace - not your own strength - where are you currently relying on yourself instead of drawing deeper into Christ? What would it look like this week to live from grace rather than striving for it?

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