

## Defining Moments "The Moment that Makes a Difference"

2 Timothy 2:1-7

### Sermon Series Summary

There are decisions that we make in our lives that are defining moments. These defining moments change the course of our lives either for the better or in some cases for the worse. Your decision in these moments make a lifelong impact. Join us as we learn how to make our defining moments count for eternity.

### Main Text

**2 Timothy 2:1-7** (ESV) – <sup>1</sup>You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>2</sup>and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. <sup>3</sup>Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup>No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. <sup>5</sup>An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. <sup>7</sup>Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

**Big Idea – Choose the Lord and His Ways...  
He Provides Strength for the Storm and Courage to Conquer the Chaos**

### Three Truths of Choosing to be a Courageous Christian

#### Truth #1 – Courageous Christians Gain Steadfast Strength and Wisdom from the Lord

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#### Truth #2 – Courageous Christians Teach Absolute Truth as Found in the Word of God

**2 Timothy 2:2** (ESV) – <sup>2</sup>and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

#### Truth #3 – Courageous Christians Live Life to Make a Kingdom Impact

**2 Timothy 2:3-6** (ESV) – <sup>3</sup>Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. <sup>4</sup>No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him. <sup>5</sup>An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. <sup>6</sup>It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops.

### Memory Verse

**2 Timothy 2:2** (ESV) – And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

## **Challenge**

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You are called to consistently apply the divine principles and truths found in the Word of God. Take the next step in your study by (1) Discussing and applying the sermon with your family or small group or (2) Participating in a Sunday School class.