



# THE LEGACY THAT LASTS

## FINISH WHAT GOD STARTED

2 TIMOTHY 4:1-5

### GETTING STARTED

- Talk about a time when you felt like you had an impossible task. Did you accomplish it? Did you fail? What did you learn from that experience?

### SCRIPTURE STUDY

**Before you begin:** *Open with prayer and spend a minute or two in silence before God. Have multiple people ask the Holy Spirit to enter your time together and illuminate your hearts and minds to scripture.*

- Have someone read the passage in its entirety aloud. As a group, summarize the passage, and as you do so, note any observations, questions, and exciting insights you found while reading through the text. What jumped out at you? What was something you noticed now that you didn't see before?
- How come Paul begins his message the way he does? Why does he begin by reminding Timothy of the judgment of the living and the dead? also, his kingdom?
- Timothy is to continue ministry even in the harshest circumstances. What might cultivating "great patience" look like even amid great hardship?
- What do you think Paul is talking about when people will "itch to hear something new" where do you think we run into this today?
- What does the fulfillment of ministry look like in v5?

### WRAPPING UP

- What might it look like to be faithful in ministry even when it gets tough? Even though some of us aren't in leadership positions at church, how might we think about being a part of the culture of enduring hardship together?