#5 – Demas, Mark, Luke and Timothy

2 Timothy 4:9-13

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4 Temptations to live for the wrong legacy:

1 – People lose sight of the ultimate, lured by the immediate

2 – People equate visibility with value

3 – People believe their past failures disqualify them from future purposes

4 – Since we can’t do much, we end up doing nothing

**Growth Group Preparation Questions**

For the week of October 6, 2019

Prepare for your Growth Group discussion by taking some time to go through the following Growth Group Questions (G2Qs) and be ready to share your thoughts and answers with your group. Have a great time growing in the Word, growing in relationships, and encouraging one another to live for the legacy of Jesus.

**CONNECT**

1. In Paul's final days, all he wanted was his cloak and a book. Imagine that you're in your final weeks of life and confined to your house, what would you send for?
2. Would you rather spend a day with Luke Skywalker or Luke the Gospel writer? Why?
3. **Pray**: Father, please inspire us through this time to be faithful to your calling on our lives.

**W2**

1. Reflect on this week's sermon. Was anything particularly impactful for you?
2. Have you thought much about the lesser-known characters before this series? Which of them do you resonate with the most? Why?

* What additional lesser-known Biblical characters would you have included in this series? Why?

1. Like Demas in 2 Timothy 4:10, many Biblical characters got distracted from God's plan at some point. What lures of the moment are most likely to distract you from living for the legacy of Jesus?

* How do you actively protect your heart from the lure of the world?

1. How does failure impact God's future plan for your life?

* What's helped you move past your own failures the most?
* How have you seen God use your failures to positively impact someone else?

**S2**

1. How have you been inspired to serve and give above and beyond during this series?
2. Describe the serving opportunity that, if it existed, would best fit you.
3. Think of ways others in your G2 would thrive in serving.
4. Which piece of the giving and serving above and beyond plan gets you most excited?

**P2 (Prayer & Praise)**

1. God, we praise you because you are forgiving.
2. Thank you, God, for using imperfect people.
3. Father, please guide each of us to our way of serving and giving above and beyond for your legacy.
4. Group prayer requests (pray for previous meeting requests and list new ones below).