



## **Life Group Sermon Study Notes**

### **“Fan The Flame”**

**August 24, 2025**

#### **Warm Up (10-15 minutes)**

Choose a question below to answer or ask another. No right or wrong answers.

What is something you used to do regularly that you need to stir back up in your life?

What is one talent or hobby you’ve neglected but would like to revive?

Who in your life has inspired you with their courage to keep going when things were hard?

#### **Word (10-15 minutes)**

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2 Timothy 1:6–9 (ESV)

6 For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, 7 for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control. 8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, 9 who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began.

Paul writes his final letter from a Roman prison cell, encouraging Timothy not to let fear or shame extinguish the fire of his calling. Timothy was young, timid, and facing opposition as he led the church in Ephesus. Paul reminds him that the Spirit of God gives power, love, and self-control, not fear. Timothy’s call and ours requires cultivation, courage, and commitment.

The Apostle's words show us that God has already placed a gift inside of us, but it must be stirred up. We cannot shrink back in fear but must walk boldly in the Spirit. And we must remain faithful and committed to the call even when suffering or difficulty comes.

### **Discussion & Application (10-15 minutes)**

Choose may choose one or more of the points below and discuss how the lesson applies to our lives.

#### **1. The Call Requires Cultivation (v. 6)**

How can you "fan into flame" the gift God has placed in your life? What practical steps can help you cultivate your gift in this season?

#### **2. The Call Requires Courage (v. 7)**

What fears most often keep people from living out their calling? How can the Spirit's power, love, and self-control help you walk in courage this week?

#### **3. The Call Requires Commitment (vv. 8-9)**

Why is calling often connected with suffering? Share a time when it was difficult to stay committed to what God asked you to do. What helped you endure?

### **Prayer (10-15 minutes)**

Pray for any of the following, as well as other requests you may have.

Thank God for the gift He has placed in each of us.

Ask God to give us courage through His Spirit to overcome fear.

Pray for endurance to stay committed to the call even in hardship.

Ask God to fan into flame the gifts of our church so that together we might shine His light in Memphis and beyond.