

<u>Sermon Notes – Steve Southards – 05/5/2024</u>

2 Timothy 2:1-2 NLT

Timothy, my dear son, be strong through the grace that God gives you in Christ Jesus. You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others.

- 1) When we value removing all the pain...we hand down comfort overgrowth.
- 2) When we give them what they should earn...we hand down entitlement over work ethic.
- 3) When we praise the wrong things...we have a down image over character.
- 4) When we over prioritize being happy...we hand down happiness over holiness.

Too many RESOURCES with too little CHARACTER.

Too much REWARD with too little PAIN.

Too much RESPONSIBILITY with too little PERSONAL SACRIFICE.

Hand Down a love for the local church.

Hand Down the joy of a Servant's Heart.

Psalm 112:1-4, 6 NLT

How joyful are those who fear the LORD and delight in obeying his commands. Their children will be successful everywhere; an entire generation of godly people will be blessed. They themselves will be wealthy, and their good deeds will last forever. They are generous, compassionate, and righteous. Those who are righteous will be long remembered.

Hand Down a personal faith that works.

Judges 2:7, 10 NLT

And the Israelites served the Lord throughout the lifetime of Joshua and the leaders who outlived him—those who had seen all the great things the Lord had done for Israel. After that generation died, another generation grew up who did not acknowledge the Lord or remember the mighty things he had done for Israel.