



Role Model: Lessons from 2 Timothy

June 12, 2011

2 Timothy 2:8-26

Sermon Notes:

Devotional Guide:

Read 2 Timothy 2:8-19

Recall what Janeen preached about how we are to “Remember Jesus.”

Read 2 Timothy 2:20-21

In a well-furnished kitchen there are not only crystal goblets and silver platters, but waste cans and compost buckets—some containers used to serve fine meals, others to take out the garbage. Become the kind of container God can use to present any and every kind of gift to his guests for their blessing.

What kind of container are you? What kind of container would you like to become? What is being served in your container? Who are the guests being served? Write a letter to yourself. Answer these questions. Be honest about what is now and encouraging about what can be.

Read 2 Timothy 2:22-26

Run away from infantile indulgence. Run after mature righteousness—faith, love, peace—joining those who are in honest and serious prayer before God. Refuse to get involved in inane discussions; they always end up in fights. God's servant must not be argumentative, but a gentle listener and a teacher who keeps cool, working firmly but patiently with those who refuse to obey. You never know how or when God might sober them up with a change of heart and a turning to the truth, enabling them to escape the Devil's trap, where they are caught and held captive, forced to run his errands.

What are you called to confess? Write a confession, then fold the paper with the confession inside. Thank God for being patient with you.

Reread 2 Timothy 2:22-26. Write the underlined words on the outside of your confession. Make a commitment to God to seek to be these things.