

BRINGING

1 TIMOTHY

TO LIFE



1 TIMOTHY 1: IDENTITY CRISIS

EPISODE 3: MISTAKEN IDENTITY

³ As I urged you when I went into Macedonia, stay there in Ephesus so that you may command certain people not to teach false doctrines any longer ⁴ or to devote themselves to myths and endless genealogies. Such things promote controversial speculations rather than advancing God's work—which is by faith. ⁵ The goal of this command is love, which comes from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith. 1 Timothy 1:3-5

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1. Your _____ is much more important than you think.
2. _____ matter.
3. Quit _____ and start _____ the Kingdom.

DEVELOP

Do something to _____ God's Kingdom this week.

D-GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Who or what shaped your beliefs about God, about yourself, and about others when you were younger? What were the primary influences (e.g. friends, church, parents, television)? Have there been any major beliefs that you've changed since childhood about God, about yourself, or about others? Why did you change those beliefs?
2. The greek word "oikonomia" means a responsibility that has been given to you to steward, to manage responsibly. In your life currently, whether it's your profession, influence with others, opportunities before you or the family you're connected to, what responsibilities has God given you to steward?
3. Motivations matter. Think back to a time when someone spoke a hard truth to you. Did they do it out of love? Did that make a difference? How did you receive a harsh word spoken to you where there was no love? What are some examples where you have had to speak hard truths to someone out of love? How did they respond?
4. Development Homework: How will you advance God's Kingdom this week?