

Fan Into Flame That Which Is Given You – FBCG, July 29, 2018

2 Timothy 1:3-9 (NIV)

³ I thank God, whom I serve, as my forefathers did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers.

⁴ Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy.

⁵ I have been reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also.

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 did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.

⁸ So do not be ashamed to testify about our Lord, or ashamed of me his prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the gospel, by the power of God,

⁹ who has saved us and called us to a holy life--not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time

What does Paul remember about Timothy's faith?

What might be Paul referring to when he speaks of Timothy's gift?

As a follower of Christ, what gift (John 4:10, Romans 6:23, Ephesians 2:8) from God has been entrusted to you?

What are your spiritual gifts?

What are the three truths about the Spirit Paul give us? P_____, L____, S____ - D_____

Fan into flame – literally "rekindle," "revive the spark of"; the opposite of "quench" or "extinguish" (1 Thessalonians 5:19). The present tense *ana/zopur/ein* for the verb "fan into flame" is continuous, ongoing action. What are some things that you can do to fan into flame the gift that has been given to you?

1 Peter 4:10-11 (NIV)

¹⁰ Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. ¹¹ If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so

2 Timothy 2:1 (NIV)

¹ You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-19 (NIV)

¹⁶ Be joyful always;

¹⁷ pray continually;

¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

¹⁹ Do not put out the Spirit's fire;

Romans 12:11-21 (NIV)

¹¹ Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord.

¹² Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

¹³ Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

¹⁶ Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

¹⁷ Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody.

¹⁸ If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

¹⁹ Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.

²⁰ On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 (NIV)

²¹ Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us,

²² set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

What are some essential components to being in a meaningful relationship with God?

Job 11:7-9 (NIV)

⁷ "Can you fathom the mysteries of God? Can you probe the limits of the Almighty?

⁸ They are higher than the heavens--what can you do? They are deeper than the depths of the grave--what can you know? ⁹ Their measure is longer than the earth and wider than the sea.

Exodus 33:13 (NIV)

¹³ If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you.

Psalms 27:11 (NIV)

¹¹ Teach me your way, O LORD; lead me in a straight path because of my oppressors.

Psalms 51:6 (NIV)

⁶ Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place.

Hebrews 8:11 (NIV)

¹¹ No longer will a man teach his neighbor, or a man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest.