



## “Embrace Legacy – Don’t Be Ashamed” 2 Timothy 1 : 7- 18

As we read today’s text, notice the number of times the apostle Paul challenges Timothy to “*don’t be ashamed*” of Jesus nor His people. There were a lot of pressures young Timothy was facing to distance himself from the testimony of Jesus and of Paul during the empire-wide persecution in A.D. 64. Paul is exhorting Timothy to ‘*Embrace the Legacy*’ of the Gospel; not to evade it. This is a great challenge for us today!

Let’s ask several questions from today’s Text :

1. – What are the \_\_\_\_\_ of Living Ashamed of Jesus?

D \_\_\_\_\_ - see 1:4,7; 3: 12

D \_\_\_\_\_ - see 2: 9

D \_\_\_\_\_ - see 2: 12- 13; 3: 5, 7

D \_\_\_\_\_ - see 1: 15; 2: 16 – 18

Which of the Causes do you struggle with the least? Which do you struggle with the most?

2. – What is the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus to Live Unashamed?

See – [Matthew 10: 32- 33](#); [Mark 8: 38](#); [Luke 9: 23, 26](#)

See – [Matthew 3: 13 – 17](#) – for Jesus’ baptism. Why is baptism is an important aspect of following Jesus. *Jesus commands all who follow Him to be baptized* – see [Matthew 28: 18 – 20](#).

The 1<sup>st</sup> Step of Living Unashamed of Jesus is ‘Believer’s Baptism”

*Who is to be baptized?* – see [Acts 8: 36](#)

*When are you to be baptized?* – Believe first, then be baptized

*How are you to be baptized?* – see [Matthew 3: 16](#)

The Next Steps of being Not-ashamed of Jesus is *daily living Your New Identity* – see [Romans 6: 4](#)

3. – What \_\_\_\_\_ you to Live Unashamed of Jesus?

*Loyalty to Jesus* – see [1: 12](#)

*Loyalty to Followers of Jesus* – see [1: 8 – 11](#)

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### WORKING OF THE WORD CHALLENGES:

- **DISCUSS** with partner or group your biggest takeaway from today’s message. What are some causes to living unashamed of Jesus? What compels you to live unashamed?
- **SHARE** your story of following Jesus in baptism with a friend or family. When were you baptized? What did it mean to you? How are you living out your identity daily? **This is a good exercise for passing your faith on to the next generation.**
- **READ** daily the Word, following the LEGACY Devotional reading guide Pastor Michael prepared for the sermon emphasis.
- If you would like more information about Baptism, **TEXT ‘WATER’ to 833-614-6790.**
- To pray 31 days for your near-one, text either “*Pray for my Husband,*” “*Pray for my Wife,*” or “*Pray for my Children*” to **833-614-6790** to receive daily prayer prompts.