

Hi, I'm Crawford Loritts with a Legacy Moment.

You know, there's an old gospel song that says:

*It only takes a spark to get a fire going,*

*And soon all those around will warm up to its glowing.*

*That's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it,*

*It's fresh like spring, you want to sing, you want to pass it on.*

That's an old song indeed, but it captures the essence of our mission—to pass the Gospel on to others.

Now, I'm a grandfather, and I take just about every opportunity to tell people about our grandchildren. Why? Because I love them! How much more should it be true in our relationship with Jesus Christ! If Christ has come into our lives and changed us, forgiven us, and cleansed us of all our sins, that's something we shouldn't keep to ourselves. We have to pass the message on, and do so strategically.

I believe that's the intent behind 2 Timothy chapter 2, verse 2. Listen to these words; “And the things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, these entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”

Do you see the multiplication in that passage? Paul says, “Look, Timothy, be strategic about your life and message. Try to influence people who are faithful, who are committed to my message. Influence them to share that message, to multiply their influence, to pour their lives into others.”

We're not talking about a sales pitch here, nor nice-sounding motivational phrases strung together. No, we're talking about a life-changing message lodged in an historical event: the death of Jesus Christ on the cross for the sins of the world.

Here's what I want you to remember today. The assignment to spread the Gospel through influencing others belongs to all of us. Time is of the essence. We have to pass it on.