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2 Timothy 4:9-22

### Making Sacrifices to Develop Real Friendships

- Presence – *finding a way to be there when needed*
- Reconciliation – *a commitment to work through differences together*
- Attentiveness – *making time to serve each other*

- Speaking Truth – *a genuine concern to look out for each other*

- Acceptance – *holding people in God's hands and letting go of grudges*

### Next Steps

- I'm committing to follow Jesus for the first time today.
- I'm re-committing to follow Jesus today.
- I will join a LifeGroup for the Fall Quarter.
- I will host a new LifeGroup for the Fall Quarter.



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Bridge LifeGroups are **currently on summer break**. We will continue to provide questions in abbreviated form each week for personal study and/or discussion for LifeGroups choosing to meet for a portion of the break.

1. **READ 2 Timothy 4:9-22.** Write down all the names in these verses. Put a “+” next to the names of people Paul speaks about positively. Write a “-” next to the names of people he speaks about negatively.
2. Why do you think Paul mentions good and bad examples by name?

3. Have you ever felt abandoned by friends and family? How can understanding Paul’s experience help you respond well to those feelings?
4. Look over the section in your notes from this weekend’s teaching called “Making Sacrifices to Develop Real Friendships”. What is one key characteristic you can apply to a relationship in your life this week? Why did you choose that one?
5. What will you do differently this week to apply this characteristic to your life? Be specific.

**Close in prayer as the Holy Spirit leads you.**

This **LifeGroup** Study Guide is designed to help you apply Sunday’s message. You can do this homework on your own; however we encourage you to check out our warm and friendly message-based **LifeGroups!** Get a copy of this Study Guide at [theBridgeFresno.com](http://theBridgeFresno.com) by clicking on the “Messages” link.