

An Inconvenient Faith 2 Timothy 2:1-7 Dave Caldwell

- I. What are the definitions of “Convenient” and “Inconvenient”?
- II. What are the action statements that Paul made to Timothy, in Chapter 1 & 2?
- III. From verse 2, what was Timothy’s goal?
  - a. What determines if someone is “faithful”?
  - b. How does one become “qualified”?
- IV. Make some observations of a Soldier.
  - a. Why do they suffer?
  - b. How do they demonstrate discipline, training, fighting, and focus?
  - c. As a soldier of Jesus Christ, how do we avoid entanglements?
  - d. As a soldier of Jesus Christ, how do we please our commanding officer?
- V. Read Hebrews 11:6 How do we please God?
- VI. In the story that Dave told, what was Joe Caldwell remembered for?
- VII. Make some observations of an Athlete.
  - a. How do they demonstrate dedication?
  - b. How do they train?
  - c. How do they learn the rules?
  - d. What happens to them when they ignore the rules?
  - e. What are some of the rules that churches in America, ignore from scripture?
  - f. How should we disagree with others?
  - g. How do we disagree without division?
- VIII. Make some observations of a farmer.
  - a. How do they demonstrate devotion?
  - b. Why are they patient?
  - c. How does planning and hardwork play into farming?
- IX. How do we apply these 3 examples to our lives?
  - a. What do we need to do to be like the soldier?
  - b. What do we need to do to be like the athlete?
  - c. What do we need to do to be like the farmer?
- X. What is the difference between spending my life, and investing my life for eternity?

XI. Why is faith in Christ, inconvenient?