### ... Foundation and Mission

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

-2 Timothy 2:1

• I need and have a savior who loves me.

"And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable men who will also be qualified to teach others."

-2 Timothy 2:2

Pass it on – Pour into others.

## ...the Mindset of a Soldier

"Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs – he wants to please his commanding officer."

- -2 Timothy 2:3-4
  - Not Always Comfortable/Sometimes Painful

"Jesus replied, 'Foxes have holes and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay his head.'"

-Luke 9:58

"For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will save it."

- -Luke 9:23
  - Know Your Rank

"So you also, when you have done everything you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty."

-Luke 17:10

# ...the Actions of an Athlete

"Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive the victor's crown unless he competes according to the rules"

-2 Timothy 2:5

Know and Follow the Rules

"Teach me, O Lord, to follow your decrees; then I will keep them to the end."

-Psalm 119:33

• Train

"Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training."

-1 Corinthians 9:25

"Do not neglect your gift. . . Be diligent in these matters; give yourself wholly to them, so that everyone can see your progress"

-1 Timothy 4:14-15

#### ...the Faith of a Farmer

"The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops."

-2 Timothy 2:6

· Trust and Patience

"All by itself the soil produces grain – first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head."

-Mark 4:28

· Work and Reward

"As soon as the grain is ripe, he puts the sickle to it, because the harvest has come."

-Mark 4:29

## ...Time with God

"Reflect on what I am saying, for the Lord will give you insight into all this."

-2 Timothy 2:7

- Where Can I Grow?
- Where Can We Go?