

The apostle Paul mentored a young man named Timothy who had become discouraged in his ministry. Paul wrote to him: "Stir up your gifts. Fan the flame. Get your passion back. Keep the faith." He reminded Timothy that when he did, his faith was not just making his life better, but it would impact his children and grandchildren just as the faith of Timothy's grandmother and mother had impacted him. Every time you stand strong, do the right thing when it is difficult, and believe for your dreams even though circumstances are against you, you are making it easier on your children and grandchildren. It is not just personal; it is generational.

That should inspire us to live a life of faith. You are making it better for your children and grandchildren. You are making sure they have a foundation of faith, knowing that we serve an awesome God, that He can take them places they have never dreamed, that He can heal them, that He can sustain them in a storm, and that He can bring gifts, talents and abilities out of them that they don't know they have. So keep the faith, and pass it on.

2 Timothy 1:5-6 "I am reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also. For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God...."