



2 Timothy 1:6-8
**The Holy Spirit Empowers our
Confession of Christ**

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Timothy's Reminder

2 Timothy 1:6

For this reason I remind you to **kindle
afresh** the gift of God which is in you
through the laying on of my hands.

1. The gift is Timothy's office as elder
2. The gift is another Spirit-given gift
3. The gift is the Holy Spirit

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The Holy Spirit's Empowerment

2 Timothy 1:7 NET

For God did not give us a **Spirit** of **fear**
but of power and love and self-
control.

Romans 8:15

For you have not received a **spirit** of
slavery leading to fear again, but you
have received a **spirit** of adoption as
sons by which we cry out, "Abba!
Father!"

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Continue to Confess Christ

2 Timothy 1:8

Therefore **do not be ashamed of the
testimony of our Lord or of me** His
prisoner, but join with me in suffering
for the gospel according to the power
of God...

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Applications

1. We must all learn to “keep kindling” the Spirit by submitting to the Spirit rather than the flesh.
2. We must remember that the Holy Spirit brings about the confession of Christ.
3. None of us should ever “shrink back” in fear from the faith and use of our gifts.

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How Do We “Kindle” the Spirit?

- Faith and obedience cannot be separated (Heb. 3:19)!
- We need to obey the “means of grace” (Acts 2:42).
- Submit to the Spirit, not the flesh.

Galatians 6:8

For **the one who sows to his own flesh** will from the flesh reap corruption, **but the one who sows to the Spirit** will from the Spirit reap eternal life.

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We Confess Christ by The Spirit

John 15:26

When the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, that is the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, **He will testify about Me...**

1 Corinthians 12:3

Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God says, “Jesus is accursed”; and **no one can say, “Jesus is Lord,” except by the Holy Spirit.**

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Continue to Confess Christ

Matthew 10:32-33

Therefore **everyone who confesses Me before men**, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven. **33** But **whoever denies Me before men**, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven.

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The Problem With Fearing Man

Joshua 1:9 ESV

Have I not commanded you? **Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed**, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.

Revelation 21:8

But for **the cowardly and unbelieving** and abominable and murderers and immoral persons and sorcerers and idolaters and all liars, their part will be in the lake that burns with fire...

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We Must Not Shrink Back!

Hebrews 10:39

But we are not of those who **shrink back to destruction**, but of those who have faith to the preserving of the soul.

Acts 14:22

strengthening the souls of the disciples, **encouraging them to continue in the faith**, and saying, "Through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God."

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