



REIGNITE

AWAKENING THE SPIRIT WITHIN

2 Timothy 1:7

Timothy's Story

A young pastor facing pressure, fear, and the heavy burden of leadership in Ephesus

“Fan into flame the gift of God.”

It's not starting more programs

It's not improving the worship service

It's not preaching harder or louder

It's about pursuing God through restoring our connection to the Holy Spirit



The Given Spirit

**Last week, we talked about the gift itself;
the Holy Spirit**

Not a distant helper, but God's personal investment in us

**That investment manifests in gifts to enable mission
and guide life**

In His Spirit God has given us His very breath

**If last week was about who the Spirit is, this
week is about what the Spirit confronts first**



2 Timothy 1:7

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love, and self-discipline.

Fear: The First Barrier to Intimacy and Mission

We live more of our lives in fear than we realize

And if we're honest, fear doesn't just affect our circumstances—it shapes our spirituality

Spiritual fear is sneaky as it disguises itself as caution, humility, or “wisdom.”



Spiritual Fear (Reality)

Avoiding deep prayer or honest confession because we're afraid of what we might hear

Staying silent when we should speak truth

Saying "no" to serving or leading because we feel unqualified

Refusing to dream big Kingdom dreams because of all the "what ifs" that come with faith and risk



Spiritual Fear (Results)

Fear chokes the fire of the Spirit

Left unchecked, it leaves us spiritually cold and disengaged

Fear doesn't just cool our passion—it reshapes our relationship with God



A Fear Shaped Relationship

We Fear Knowing God Honestly

**God is holy—the Creator beyond our
comprehension**

**In Scripture, people who encounter His glory
fall undone**

**Truly knowing God stirs awe
but also fear**



A Fear Shaped Relationship

We Fear Being Fully Known by God

That kind of vulnerability is frightening

**Fear makes us hide, like Adam and Eve
in the garden**

**We keep our faith surface-level
because we're afraid of what God
might say if we got honest**



A Fear Shaped Relationship

We Fear Being Used by God to Make Him Known

God calls. God sends

**And those He sends often face risk, sacrifice,
stretching, and suffering**

**At the core, we fear what God might ask if we
fully surrender to His Spirit**

**Where has fear silenced the voice of
the Spirit in my life?**



The Removal of Fear

“God Has Not Given Us a Spirit of Timidity”

“Timidity” can be translated fear, cowardice, or shrinking back

The Greek word “deilia” describes a spirit that avoids challenge, exposure, and risk

Paul is clear: that spirit is not from God

When the Spirit fills us, boldness follows



Be Bold in Knowing God

You did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by Him we cry, "Abba, Father."

Romans 8:15

The Spirit doesn't lead us into fearful slavery, but into freeing family

He reveals God not only as holy but as Father

God becomes approachable, loving, and near



Be Bold by Being Known by God

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.

The Spirit knows us fully and does not recoil

He intercedes, advocates, and convicts to restore, not condemn

We are never alone.

Romans 8:26



Be Bold by Making God Known

“Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus.” After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

Acts 4:29–31



Being Bold by Being Shaken

Shaking prepares us for filling

Mixing and combining

Loosening and dislodging

Creating motion

Testing and inspection

Drawing attention

Releasing pressure

**In the shaking, the Spirit doesn't
just comfort; He compels**



Walking in Boldness

Boldness isn't manufactured—it's the natural outflow of a Spirit-filled life

Breathe deep of the Spirit daily—Invite Him to shake you and fill you. (*Ephesians 5:18*)

Step into the light—He reveals truth to heal, not to shame. (*Ephesians 5:8–9*)

Say Yes to God's Leading—Boldness grows through obedience not before it. (*Philippians 1:20*)

Pray for Boldness—Ask—and expect the Spirit to respond (*Ephesians 6:19*)



The Spirit Takes Away Fear

**You have received His Spirit,
His breath, His presence,
and His boldness**

**Breathe Deep
and let the fire be reignited**