

What kind of people must we be if Charleston Baptist Church is to carry on the work of God from generation to generation?

1. We must be Encouragers of others.

II Timothy 2:1 *You then, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus.*

2. We must be willing to Entrust what we know to others.

II Timothy 2:2 *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.*

3. We must be willing to Endure hardship.

II Timothy 2:3 *Endure hardship with us like a good soldier of Christ Jesus.*

II Timothy 2:8-10 *Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel, for which I am suffering even to the point of being chained like a criminal. But God's word is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they too may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory*

4. We must be Engaged in the battle.

II Timothy 2:4-6 *No one serving as a soldier gets involved in civilian affairs—he wants to please his commanding officer. Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive the victor's crown unless he competes according to the rules. The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops*

5. We must be Enlightened by God's Word.

II Timothy 2:15 *Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.*

6. We cannot be Ensnared by the world.

II Timothy 2:16-18 *Avoid godless chatter, because those who indulge in it will become more and more ungodly. Their teaching will spread like gangrene. Among them are Hymenaeus and Philetus, who have wandered away from the truth. They say that the resurrection has already taken place, and they destroy the faith of some.*