

# Mic Drop: Fan the Flame

## Recovering from Spiritual Slippage

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Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, in keeping with the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my dear son: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord. I thank God, whom I serve, as my ancestors did, with a clear conscience, as night and day I constantly remember you in my prayers. Recalling your tears, I long to see you, so that I may be filled with joy. 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, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. 2 Timothy 1:1-7 (NIV)

What causes spiritual lethargy?

Routines over reason

Dashed hopes

Comparative religion

Soul neglect

Consumer faith

What restores spiritual vibrancy? Remember your first love .

Yet I hold this against you: You have forsaken the love you had at first. Consider how far you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. Revelation 2:4-5 (NIV)

Know your spiritual wiring .

Integrate your faith.

Take responsibility .

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. What are some practical ways to fan the flame of your own personal faith?
2. Think of 2 people in your life who may need some encouragement in their faith. How can you help them maintain a vibrant faith?