

### TALK ABOUT IT

1. Who in your group holds the record for the most speeding tickets?

READ ABOUT IT: 1 Timothy 1:12-16, 2:1-4, 4:12

## THINK ABOUT IT

- 2. Read 1 Timothy 1:12-16. What was Paul like before he knew Christ? What was your life like "before Christ"? According to verse 15, why did Jesus come into the world? Why is someone like Paul (v. 16) such a good witness to unbelievers?
- **3. 3.Read 1 Timothy 2:1-4.** How would these instructions on worship fit in with the practices of your church? For whom is Paul asking that prayers be made? For what purpose? How does your attitude change toward someone when you pray for them?
- **4. Read 1 Timothy 4:12.** Why is age such a non-factor in being a strong influence for the Gospel? Regardless of age, what can every believer do?

# DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT

**5.** How do you plan to put this word into practice this week? Pray for one another to be effective in doing so.

#### 1 Timothy 1:12-16

<sup>12</sup> I give thanks to Christ Jesus our Lord who has strengthened me, because he considered me faithful, appointing me to the ministry— <sup>13</sup> even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an arrogant man. But I received mercy because I acted out of ignorance in unbelief, <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord overflowed, along with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> This saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners"—and I am the worst of them. <sup>16</sup> But I received mercy for this reason, so that in me, the worst of them, Christ Jesus might demonstrate his extraordinary patience as an example to those who would believe in him for eternal life.

#### 1 Timothy 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup> First of all, then, I urge that petitions, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, <sup>2</sup> for kings and all those who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and it pleases God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who wants everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

## 1 Timothy 4:12

<sup>12</sup> Don't let anyone despise your youth, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, and in purity.