

Making application of the message to life:

5) In what areas of the Christian life do many Christians have trouble waging warfare? How about in discipleship?

6) What would God have you strengthen in your life to wage good warfare or be prepared for spiritual warfare?

7) How would you exhort brothers and sisters around you to be better equipped for warfare and how to avoid shipwreck?

Train Your Replacement: Wage Good Warfare ***1 Timothy 1:18-20*** *(November 17, 2013)*

How do you wage warfare?

1) Rely on Scripture in your warfare 1:18

- The past:
- The present: launches you to wage warfare
 - Commit – “_____”
 - Prophecies –
 - 1 Tim. 4:12; 5:23
- The future: wage _____ warfare
 - 1 Pet. 5:7; Ps. 46:10

2) Rely on faith and a good conscience in Jesus Christ 1:19

- Having and _____ faith – 1 John 5:5; Rom. 12:1
- _____ conscience = _____.
[Rom. 2:15]
- Reject it. Put, push aside.
 - 2 Tim. 1:15; 4:4; Jam. 1:6; Eph. 4:14, 17-19; 1 John 5:16; 1 Cor. 5:5; Jam. 5:19-20
- Rejection leads to shipwreck – Titanic
 - They did not consider the danger
 - They did not think it would happen to them.
 - They did not take precautions.
 - They saw that day as any other.

3) Pray for those who reject Truth 1:20

- Hymen and Alex (2 Tim. 4:14) who caused Paul “much trouble”
Delivered to Satan (1 Cor. 5:1-5)
- Blaspheme –making _____ of who Jesus is what He can do
- The closer to the Truth, the harder it is to see the difference.
2 Cor. 11:13-15
 - The devil is brilliant and has more experience than anyone.
 - He distracts without firing a shot.
 - You are in warfare.
- So, rely on Scripture by faith to wage warfare. How do I learn?
 - Home group – learn to disciple and disciple others
 - Lead your family – devotions, television has something for everyone, but little hope. Spend your time declaring Jesus at home.
 - Some people will depart because they will not rely on Scripture.

Wage good warfare through His Word by faith!

- Satan is fighting for your heart. Luke 4:5,8,10. He wants your relationships, your marriage, your children and your church.
- You must take the charge and wage good warfare. It is lifelong learning. Resolving everyday conflict.
- The stakes are life and death. Are you on alert? Are you training? Are you asking God to “steel” your mind? This is not a walk in the tulip garden. Christ’s reputation is at stake and He directs His Spirit to strengthen you through any battle.

Message Based Discussion Questions

- 1) Do you have any relatives who served in the military? Did you ever learn about life from their experiences?

Digging Deeper:

- 2) How did Paul know that Timothy was going to carry the baton into the next generation (1 Tim. 1:18) _____ How would they be made regarding Timothy (cf. Acts 13:1-3)? Remember to think of this dispensationally and the answer becomes more simple.
- 3) Paul commits Timothy to wage the _____ warfare (1 Tim. 1:18). What does Paul teach about soldiering in 2 Tim. 2:3-4 (cf. Phil. 1:6)? What does that look like?
- 4) When a person becomes a Christian, does he make good decisions for the rest of his life? _____ What do the following passages teach that is similar (2 Tim. 1:15; 4:4; Jam 1:6; Eph. 4:17-19; 1 John 5:16; 1 Cor. 5:5; Jam. 5:19-20)?