

GOSPEL SERVICE IS SPIRITUAL WARFARE

1 Timothy 1:18-20 / Chris Martin / Oct. 15, 2023



Week of Oct. 15, 2023 | 1 Timothy 1:18-20

Our Good _____ Is a Good _____ (18)

The Good Fight _____ a Good _____ (19-20)

1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. List a few implications of the battle analogy Paul uses for the Christian life in verse 18.
3. Where do you see spiritual battlegrounds in your life right now?
4. Paul calls Timothy "my son" in verse 18. Do you have anyone you see as your spiritual parent or child? How had that relationship impacted your faith?
5. How are "faith" and "a good conscience" effective weapons in the fight Paul is describing (vs 19)?
6. Is Paul's condemnation of Hymenaeus and Alexander (vs 20) a contradiction of Jesus' command to "Do not judge so that you will not be judged" (Matt 7:1)? Why or why not?
7. What does Paul mean when he says that some have "suffered shipwreck in regard to their faith" (vs 19)? What does he *not* mean?
8. What lessons can we learn through the observation that Paul previously described himself as a blasphemer (vs 13), and now holds others accountable for their blasphemy (vs 20)?

Life group leaders: Please check your email for a Leader Guide intended to be an additional resource as you navigate these questions with your group.