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{ Living Together as the Church }

How To Fight Like a Man of God

I TIMOTHY 6:11-22

“FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH”

Fight= agonizomai

Fighting for our faith can be a struggle and agonizing at times.

“Man of God” II Kings 1 Elijah

II Timothy 4:7

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith;”

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II CORINTHIANS 4:7-11

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves; we are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;

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II CORINTHIANS 4:7-11

always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

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❖ MY PRIORITIES ARE TO LIVE AS A
“MAN OF GOD.” I TIMOTHY 6:11

*“But flee from these things, you man of
God, and pursue righteousness,
godliness, faith, love, perseverance
and gentleness.”*

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❖ MY PRIORITIES ARE TO LIVE AS A
“MAN OF GOD.” I TIMOTHY 6:11

What should you flee from:

--unloving toward those I resent. Vs. 1, 2

-- “different doctrine” vs. 2

-- materialistic values vs. 9, 10

What should you pursue:

-- righteousness, godliness, faith, love,
perseverance *and* gentleness.

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❖ I FULLY EMBRACE MY ETERNAL LIFE
AND MY CONFESSION TO CHRIST.

I TIMOTHY 2:12

*“...take hold of the eternal life to which
you were called, and you made the
good confession in the presence of
many witnesses.”*

Confession: homologia, homos= same

Logos= words.

Same words of Christ.

vs. 3 “sound words”

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HEBREWS 10:23

Let us hold fast **the confession** of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;

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HEBREWS 12:1, 2

Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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MANHATTAN DECLARATION

We call upon all people of goodwill, believers and non-believers alike, to consider carefully and reflect critically on the issues we here address as we, with St. Paul, commend this appeal to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. While the whole scope of Christian moral concern, including a special concern for the poor and vulnerable, claims our attention, we are especially troubled that in our nation today the lives of the unborn, the disabled, and the elderly are severely threatened; that the institution of marriage, already buffeted by promiscuity, infidelity and divorce, is in jeopardy of being redefined to accommodate fashionable ideologies...

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ROMANS 6:5-7

For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin.

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MANHATTAN DECLARATION

Going back to the earliest days of the church, Christians have refused to compromise their proclamation of the gospel. In [Acts 4](#), Peter and John were ordered to stop preaching. Their answer was, "Judge for yourselves whether it is right in God's sight to obey you rather than God. For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard." Through the centuries, Christianity has taught that civil disobedience is not only permitted, but sometimes required.

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ACTS 4:11-12

“He is the stone which was rejected by you, the builders, but which became the chief corner stone. “And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.”

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ACTS 4:18-20

And when they had summoned them, they commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. But Peter and John answered and said to them, “Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge; for we cannot stop speaking about what we have seen and heard.”

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❖ I OBEY MY LORD WITH THE
AWARENESS OF GOD'S PRESENCE
NOW AND ANTICIPATION OF
JESUS' APPEARANCE SOON.
I TIMOTHY 6:13-16

*"...keep the commandment without
stain or reproach until the appearing
of our Lord Jesus Christ"*

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I JOHN 2:28-3:3

Now, little children, abide in Him, so that when He appears, **we may have confidence and not shrink away from Him in shame at His coming.** If you know that He is righteous, you know that everyone also who practices righteousness is born of Him. See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are.

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I JOHN 2:28-3:3

For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.

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I TIMOTHY 6:14-16

“...keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which He will bring about at the proper time – He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone possesses immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see. To Him be honor and eternal dominion! Amen.”

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COMMUNION

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❖ I PRACTICE A GODLY
STEWARDSHIP WITH MY WEALTH.
I TIMOTHY 6:17-19

*“Instruct those who are rich in this
present world...”*

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❖ I PRACTICE A GODLY
STEWARDSHIP WITH MY WEALTH.
I TIMOTHY 6:17-19

*My wealth is uncertain, I must be
humbly dependent on God.*

*“...not to be conceited or to fix their
hope on the uncertainty of riches, but
on God.”*

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HOSEA 13:5, 6

“I cared for you in the wilderness, In the land of drought. As they had their pasture, they became satisfied, And being satisfied, their heart became proud; Therefore they forgot Me.”

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❖ I PRACTICE A GODLY
STEWARDSHIP WITH MY WEALTH.
I TIMOTHY 6:17-19

My wealth is given to me by God for enjoyment.

“God, who richly supplies us with all things to enjoy.” I Chronicles 29:10-13

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I CHRONICLES 29:10-13

So David blessed the Lord in the sight of all the assembly; and David said, “Blessed are You, O Lord God of Israel our father, forever and ever. “Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, indeed everything that is in the heavens and the earth; Yours is the dominion, O Lord, and You exalt Yourself as head over all. “Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all, and in Your hand is power and might; and it lies in Your hand to make great and to strengthen everyone. “Now therefore, our God, we thank You, and praise Your glorious name.

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❖ I PRACTICE A GODLY
STEWARDSHIP WITH MY WEALTH.
I TIMOTHY 6:17-19

My wealth is for good works by
generously sharing with others.

*“Instruct them to do good, to be rich in
good works, to be generous and ready
to share”*

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❖ I PRACTICE A GODLY
STEWARDSHIP WITH MY WEALTH.
I TIMOTHY 6:17-19

When my wealth is used for God's kingdom, I invest in the treasure of a good foundation for the future,

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I CORINTHIANS 3:10-15

“But each man must be careful how he builds on it. For no man can lay a foundation other than the one which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any man builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each man’s work will become evident; for the day will show it because it is to be revealed with fire, and the fire itself will test the quality of each man’s work. If any man’s work which he has built on it remains, he will receive a reward. If any man’s work is burned up, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

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