

Faith and Good Conscience

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: 1 Timothy 1:18.

B. Theme: wage the good warfare.

1. We are in this warfare.
2. There is no place that we can go or hide - it is a lifetime endeavor.

II. How to last through a lifetime campaign.

A. Remember that the Lord has sent you to do it.

1. We should be inspired by the fact that God has chosen us.
2. We all need a personal word from God.
3. We at times may need a new word or to go back to where God spoke to us previously.

B. The “need of the hour” is an army of soldiers who believe God for what He says He will accomplish, which is getting the gospel to every creature. Faith is at the center of it.

1. Faith is an inner assurance that counts on God and obeys Him. (Hebrews 1, Job 23)
2. This may require some long waiting upon the Lord, yet those that wait upon the Lord renew their strength.
3. If you are going to wage a good warfare, you must last out the campaign.

C. A bad conscience will shipwreck your faith - keep a good conscience.

1. Fear is a good thing, but if fear is ungoverned it will wear you out.
2. Your freedom will be destroyed. (Isaiah 3:9)
3. A good conscience gets you ready for the battle and makes you bold. (Proverbs 27:1)
4. A good conscience is an inner freedom of spirit. (Acts 24:16)

III. Conclusion.

Application questions

1. Explain in your own words what it takes to last through a lifetime campaign.

2. Which of the principles do you find it hardest to practice? Why?

3. What can you believe God for this week in the midst of the battle for souls?
