



Victory Wednesday Bible Study Series

Fighting the Good Fight

Principles of Faith for Living the Abundant Life

Week 1 – Called to Abundance

Introduction

The Apostle Paul exhorts us in 1 Timothy 6:12 to "fight the good fight of faith," reminding us that our spiritual journey, often fraught with struggles and challenges, involves patience, perseverance, and trust in God and His promises. Although this life is full of trials and tribulations, and many painful circumstances, we are encouraged to be joyful, realizing that the testing of our faith ultimately will produce godly character (James 1:2). However, depending on our level of faith, we may or may not be able to find glory in our difficulties, as Paul suggests (Romans 5:3-5). God's Word tells us the thief comes only to steal, to kill, and to destroy, and that Christ, the Good Shepherd, comes that we may have life, and that we may have it more abundantly (John 10:10).

This Bible study series will delve into the principles of faith that empower believers to grasp and live "life more abundantly," despite the attacks of the enemy and the seemingly insurmountable challenges we face.

The Call

The abundant life promised by Christ is obtained not by our self-effort, intellect, educational attainment, corporate success, wealth accumulation, or social status. The life that Jesus promises is more than just material blessings but encompasses true purpose, and spiritual fulfillment marked by, peace, joy, patience...the fruit of the Holy Spirit. These attributes are not accessible through human or natural means, but are realized only through spiritual discernment (1 Corinthians 2:14)

1. Obtaining "Life More Abundantly" Starts With:

- a. Knowing He is the Alpha and Omega, the Beginning and the End, the First and the Last.
(Rev 22:13)
- b. It's not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit... (Zechariah 4:6)
- c. Trusting all things are from Him, through Him and to Him. (Romans 11:36)
- d. Believing in Him we live and move and have our being... (Acts 17:28)
- e. Acknowledging Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. (John 14:6)

- f. Confessing with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believing in your heart God has raised Him from the dead. **(Romans 10:9)**
- g. Being saved by grace through faith and not of ourselves; it is a gift of God... **(Ephesians 2:8-9)**

Class Discussion: In your own words, how do you define faith?

2. Know God, Know His Word, Access His Promises

- a. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God. **(Romans 10:17)**
- b. Sanctify them with Your Truth. Your word is Truth. **(John 17:17)**
- c. Grace and peace are multiplied to us in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. **(2 Peter 1:2)**
- d. His Divine nature has given to us all things pertaining to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him... **(2 Peter 1:3)**
- e. My people are destroyed for a lack of knowledge. **(Hosea 4:6)**

Class Discussion: What are some things you can do to know God's word better?

3. Knowing Him and His Word Will Give You God’s Perspective

While all the soldiers of Israel cowered in fear because of the taunting and threats of the great Philistine warrior, Goliath, the nine foot giant; David, a mere teenage shepherd boy, by faith embraced God’s perspective, killed the enemy, and ultimately became King of Israel (1 Samuel 17: 45-47)

- a. Let us go up now and take possession, for we are well able to overcome it. (**Numbers 13:30**)
- b. Do not be afraid nor dismayed because of this great multitude, for the battle is not yours, but God’s. (**2 Chronicles 20:15**)

Class Discussion: Find three bible verses that encourages us not to fear.

Conclusion

To fight the good fight of faith means to persist in trusting God's Word, to live in obedience to His truth, and to walk in the power of the Holy Spirit—not by our own might or intellect. It means we recognize that every good thing in our lives flows from Him (Romans 11:36), that He shall supply all our needs (Philippians 4:19), and that the battles we face belong to the Lord (2 Chronicles 20:15). As we conclude this study, let us commit to continue growing in faith, feeding on God’s Word, and standing firm in His promises. The more we know Him, the more we will trust Him. And the more we trust Him, the more we will experience the abundant life He came to give.

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