

War the Good Warfare

1 Timothy 1:18-20

Points to Consider

1. Fulfill Your Charge, 2. War the Good Warfare, 3. Stay the Course

Fulfill Your Charge

Paul is charging, or _____, Timothy to carry out a certain task. (3)

He is _____ Timothy to fulfill the prophecies previously made about him. (5)

2 Tim 2:1-3 - Timothy was to take the things he learned from Paul and _____, or entrust, them to faithful men. (18)

1 Tim 6:20-21 - Timothy was told to _____ what was committed to his trust. (20)

2 Tim 1:13-14 - Timothy was told to _____ what was committed to his trust. (2)

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2 Cor 10:3-6 *For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.*

Paul told the church at Corinth that we do not _____ according to the flesh. (8)

The weapons of our warfare are for:

- pulling down strongholds.
- casting down _____.(11)
- casting down everything that exalts itself against the knowledge of God.
- bringing every _____ into captivity to Christ. (17)
- being ready to punish all _____. (4)

2 Tim 2:4-5 - Those engaged in warfare _____ on the mission given to them by their commander. (16)

Eph 6:10-18

Who are we warring?

- Principalities, Powers, Rulers of the darkness of this age, Spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

What weapons do we use?

- _____, Righteousness, The gospel of peace, _____, Salvation, The word of God, _____

Stay the Course

1 Timothy 1:19 - Paul told the Ephesians that the shield of faith should be used to quench _____ the fiery darts of the evil one. (19)

Heb 11:6 *But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.*

Faith is _____ to please God. (6)

John 8:23-24 *And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world. 24 Therefore I said to you that you will die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I am He, you will die in your sins."*

If we are to live eternally, we must believe that Jesus is God's _____. (10)

If we are to live eternally, we must believe that Jesus is the _____ that died for our sins. (9)

If we are to live eternally, we must believe that Jesus is _____. (1)

We must also have a good conscience.

A possible solace for Paul was that the heinous crimes he committed he did so ignorantly and guilt free.

Acts 23:1 *Then Paul, looking earnestly at the council, said, "Men and brethren, I have lived in all good conscience before God until this day."*

Paul's conscience was not _____ properly. (21) He thought it was acceptable to kill people who believed Jesus was the Christ.

1 Tim 1:12-14 - His conscience did not _____ him. (7)

Our conscience is not our guide but can be a tool to keep us on the right track.

Some have shipwrecked

2 Tim 2:14-19 - Hymenaeus was guilty of teaching things _____ to sound doctrine. (15)

2 Tim 4:14-15 - Alexander the coppersmith _____ Paul's words. (12)

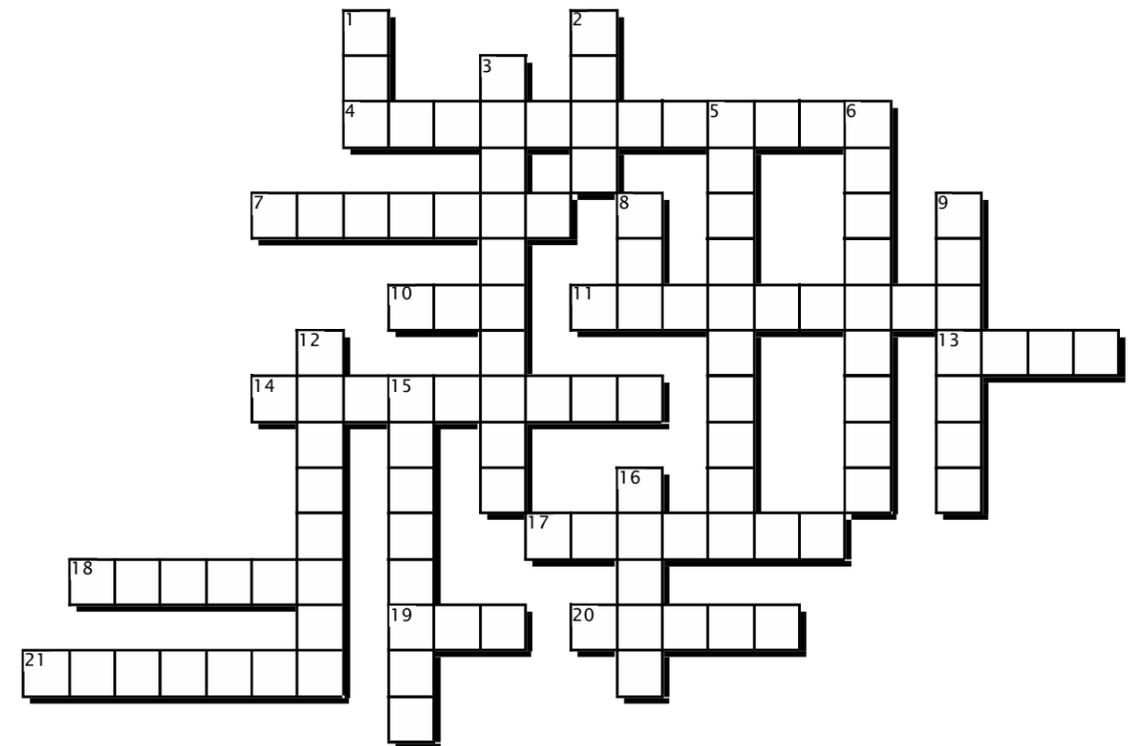
2 Thess 3:6-7 *But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us.*

Paul taught that you should withdraw from those who do not walk according to the _____ of the apostles. (14)

1 Cor 5:4-5 *In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when you are gathered together, along with my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, 5 deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.*

Those who walk contrary to God's teaching should be delivered to Satan.

The goal is to _____ their souls. (13) In our text it was to teach them not to blaspheme.



Questions for self-reflection

1. What helps you guard or keep the things God has committed to your trust?
2. Think of a time when you were successful, or unsuccessful, fighting off Satan's attacks. What Spiritual weapon did you use, or fail to use?
3. How can the rest of us help you "stay the course?"

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