

How to Fight and Pray

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<sup>12</sup> I thank Christ Jesus our Lord,
who has strengthened me,
because He considered me faithful,
putting me into service;
<sup>13</sup> even though I was formerly
a blasphemer
and a persecutor
and a violent aggressor.
And yet I was shown mercy,
because I acted ignorantly in unbelief;
<sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant,
with the faith and love which are found in Christ Jesus.
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¹⁵ It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost of all.

¹⁶ And yet for this reason I found mercy,

in order that in me as the foremost,

Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience,

as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.

¹⁷ Now to the King

eternal, immortal, invisible,

the only God,

be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

¹⁸ This command I entrust to you, Timothy, my son,
 in accordance with the prophecies previously made concerning you,
 that by them you may fight the good fight,
 ¹⁹ keeping faith and a good conscience,
 which some have rejected and suffered shipwreck in regard to their faith.
 ²⁰ Among these are Hymenaeus and Alexander,
 whom I have delivered over to Satan.

so that they may be taught not to blaspheme.

2:1 First of all, then,

I urge that entreaties *and* prayers, petitions *and* thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men,

² for kings and all who are in authority,

in order that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life

in all godliness and dignity.

³ This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,

⁴who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

⁵ For there is one God, *and* one mediator also between God and men,

the man Christ Jesus,

⁶ who gave Himself as a ransom for all, the testimony *borne* at the proper time.

⁷ And for this

I was appointed a preacher and an apostle

(I am telling the truth, I am not lying)

as a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

⁸ Therefore I want the men in every place to pray, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and dissension.

- **1 Timothy 6:10** ...the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith, and pierced themselves with many a pang.
- ¹¹ But flee from these things, you man of God; and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, perseverance *and* gentleness.
- ¹² Fight the good fight of faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called, and you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.
- ¹³ I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who testified the good confession before Pontius Pilate,
- ¹⁴ that you keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- **2 Timothy 2:3** Suffer hardship with *me*, as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.
- ⁴ No soldier in active service entangles himself in the affairs of everyday life, so that he may please the one who enlisted him as a soldier.
- ⁵ And also if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not win the prize unless he competes according to the rules.
- ⁶ The hard-working farmer ought to be the first to receive his share of the crops.
- ⁷ Consider what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.
- ⁸ Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descendant of David, according to my gospel,
- ⁹ for which I suffer hardship even to imprisonment as a criminal; but the word of God is not imprisoned.
- ¹⁰ For this reason I endure all things for the sake of those who are chosen, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus *and* with *it* eternal glory.

- **2 Timothy 4:5** ...be sober in all things, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.
- ⁶ For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come.
- ⁷ I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith;
- ⁸ in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.
- **1 Peter 2:11**Beloved, I urge you as aliens and strangers to abstain from fleshly lusts, which wage war against the soul.
- **Galatians 5:13** ...you were called to freedom, brethren; only *do* not *turn* your freedom into an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.
- ¹⁴ For the whole Law is fulfilled in one word, in the *statement*, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."
- ¹⁵ But if you bite and devour one another, take care lest you be consumed by one another.
- ¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.
- ¹⁷ For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.
- ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law.
- ¹⁹ Now the deeds of the flesh are evident, which are: immorality, impurity, sensuality,
- ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, disputes, dissensions, factions,
- ²¹ envying, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these, of which I forewarn you just as I have forewarned you that those who practice such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
- ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
- ²³ gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.
- ²⁴ Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.
- ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.
- ²⁶ Let us not become boastful, challenging one another, envying one another.
- 2 Corinthians 10:3 ... though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh,
- ⁴ for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.
- ⁵ We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,
- ⁶ and we are ready to punish all disobedience, whenever your obedience is complete.

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