

**Keep Fighting the Good Fight**  
**1 Timothy 6:11-14**  
**(Heb 10:16-25)**  
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Thesis: I want to show the need for Christians to never stop fighting the fight of faith.

- Intro:
1. Faithfulness is a continued effort.
  2. To become content with your faith puts you at risk of becoming unfaithful.
  3. Your faith not only affects you, it also affects others, including the church.

I. Why Faith is Important

- A. A Necessity in pleasing God (**Heb 11:6**)
- B. In receiving remission of sins (**John 8:24**)
- C. In “walking”/living the Christian life. (**2 Cor 5:7**)
- D. In overcoming the world (**1 Jn 5:3** – We shall either overcome or be overcome!)

II. Challenges

- A. Faith may be “shipwrecked”(1 **Tim 1:19**), warn those who have lost faith (1 **Tim 1:20**).
- B. Guard your faith against an “evil heart of unbelief.” (**Heb 3:12-13**).
- C. Protect your faith from being “overthrown” by false doctrine. (**2 Tim 2:15-19**).

III. Insights In How to Fight

- A. Be on guard against false doctrine (1 **Tim 4:1-6**)
- B. Hold to sound doctrine (2 **Tim 4:1-2**)
- C. Flee certain destructive influences (1 **Tim 6:9-11**)
- D. Keep your eyes on the Lord’s Return (1 **Tim 6:14**)

IV. Lessons for Us Today

- A. You must handle your faith carefully (1 **Tim 6:11-14**)
  1. If we lose our faith we lose hope of heaven.
  2. If we lose our faith we lose the hope of influencing others for God (**Mt 5:13-16**)
- B. You must handle God’s Word Carefully (2 **Tim 2:15**)
  1. Handling God’s Word leads us to the correct path in life (**Mt 7:13-14**)
  2. Failure to do so leads to

Application & Conclusion:

1. Winston Churchill once said “We shall fight on the beaches, we shall fight in the fields, we shall fight in the streets, but we shall never surrender.”
2. The Christian soldiers must resolve to fight the good fight of faith.
  - a. In the home
  - b. In the classroom
  - c. In the workplace
  - d. In recreation
  - e. We shall fight for our faith and in order to keep the faith.
  - f. We must never surrender in the fight of faith.

### 3. Full Invitation

Non-Christians must:

Hear – James 1:22, Romans 10:15,17

Believe – Jn 12:44, Jn 8:24, Mt 16:16

Repent – Luke 13:2-3

Confess – John 12:42, Romans 10:9

Be Baptized – 1 Pt 3:21, Acts 22:16, Col 2:11, Mk 16:16, Rom 6:3-4

Live faithfully – John 14:15, Rev 2:10

Christians must:

Repent: Acts 17:20, Acts 8:37, Lk 13:3

Pray: James 5:16, 1 Jn 1:9