

Discussion Guide Challenge Accepted Wk2

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Fight The Good Fight

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Main Idea

We have this inborn desire to conquer, be victorious, to make a difference. We will always be fighting for something. But when it comes to fighting, we can't fight for the wrong things. We have to fight for the right things. We have to fight the good fight.

1 Timothy 6:12-14 (NLT)

12 Fight the good fight for the true faith. Hold tightly to the eternal life to which God has called you, which you have declared so well before many witnesses. 13 And I charge you before God... 14 that you obey this command without wavering. Then no one can find fault with you from now until our Lord Jesus Christ comes again..

Additional Scripture: Genesis 1:28

Tear Down Strongholds

When you fight the good fight right you fight out of a child of the King. We do this by making community and prayer a priority. What is something that you are fighting for? What does that look like for you?

Additional Scripture: 2 Corinthians 10:5; Ephesians 6:10

If you learn to wage war in the unseen realm, you'll be able to watch the realm that is seen start to change around you

Build Up People

If you love God, then you can't NOT love what He loves - His people. One of the easiest ways to do this and start this pattern and rhythm in your life is to join the team and family here at Hopecity. Go through Growth Track and serve. What is standing in the way of you getting into that rhythm of life?

Additional Scripture: 1 Thessalonians 5:11; Romans 14:19

Make a Decision to Press On

The goal that Paul presses on towards is two parts: to know Jesus Christ and to become more like Him. What is something you are fighting (or have fought) that you thought the fight was over already?

Additional Scripture: Philippians 3:13-14; Galatians 6:9

SUMMARY

There are always challenges that we will face in life. But are you fighting the good fight? God has put a fight in your heart. But what will you fight for? Is it Eternal, or temporary? We have to tear down anything in our lives that would hold us back from experiencing God at full capacity. Build up the people around us in love, kindness, encouragement, and share the good news that Jesus loves them. And then we press on, knowing that the fight doesn't end, but with God the victories won't either!

CALL TO ACTION

1. Consider what your next step here at Hope City could be. Visit hopecity.com/growthtrack and plan on completing Growth Track.
2. Not to self: SERVE. Read 1 Peter 4:10 and consider the gift God gave you. Consider jumping on a [Dream Team](#) and serving with us.
3. This weekend is our summer [Connect Group](#) Launch. Text "Groups" to 448448 and join a group today.

If you need assistance you can email info@hopecity.com.

GROUP LEADER RESOURCE

Game: The M&M Challenge

Pass a bag of M&M's around and tell everyone to take a few but not to eat them. Ask each person to share something for every M&M. For example, for every red M&M, share a TV show you like; for every blue M&M, share a place you would love to travel; and for every yellow M&M, share something you appreciate about a friend. Let people eat the M&M's as they share.

Tips: This icebreaker can become as creative as you want it to be. Come up with any question that works well with your group. If your group needs to bond more, come up with a few questions that bring deeper answers to the surface. If your group needs to laugh together, come up with funny questions. This icebreaker will be a favorite because your group members will get to eat M&M's.