



THE GOOD FIGHT

INSTRUCTIONS FOR A STRONG
CHURCH ACCORDING TO
1 TIMOTHY



Gospel Life Communities Study Guide

1 Timothy 1:18-20

Remember Your Calling

Welcome to the Fall 2023 GLC Season! I hope the Lord is blessing, challenging, and encouraging you through this sermon series thus far.

Our weekly studies will have four parts, following the four categories that we've set for GLC's, and then end with prayer.

exploring

We will explore God's word together, looking at the actual words of the passage each week.

digging

We will dig deeper into the word, discussing the context and meaning of the passage.

growing

We will discuss how the passage is applied to our own lives.

going

We will discuss how the passage informs, challenges, and encourages our gospel witness.



exploring

“I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people— 2 for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. 3 This is good, and pleases God our Savior, 4 who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. 7 And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.”

(1 Timothy 2:1-7, NIV)

1. Start this time in prayer and ask the Lord to be a part of your gathering
2. Have someone read through the passage. Is there any part that sticks out or that you have a question about?

digging

1. What does it mean that Peter is the rock that Jesus will build his church on?
2. Jesus says in our passage, "For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in heaven." What does this mean? Discuss.

growing

1. Pastor Paul's main question was: Who do you say Jesus is? How has the Lord been stirring your heart with this question? How have you been praying and thinking about this?
2. Pastor Paul made it clear in his sermon that we as followers of Christ should be active in the local church. How can we better live out this call?

going

1. In this passage Jesus says about the church that "the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." How does this truth help us in sharing the gospel?

Pray “Kingdom Prayers”

Kingdom prayers are prayers that don't only focus on the immediate need, but also on God's glory.

For example, if someone has a sore knee instead of just praying “God, please heal Betty's knee”, you would pray something like “God, please heal Betty's knee so that she can continue to serve you and your people; so that she can continue attend worship services pain free and give you glory for your healing hand.”

See the difference?

Some ideas of what to pray for:

- Each other's needs/requests
- King Road's ministries, missionaries, members, and pastors
- Opportunities to share the gospel