

**Title: Fight the Good Fight**

**Argument: Christian, fight the good fight of faith according to God's rules of engagement so that you don't shipwreck the faith.**

**I. All who have received the gospel have been entrusted with a charge to keep (18a)**

**II. All who have received the gospel have a good fight of faith to fight according to God's rules of engagement (18b-19a)**

**III. All who reject God's gospel mission and methods will shipwreck the faith (19b-20)**

**Sermon Study Guide**

(Reminder: The purpose of the questions is to explore the text and themes of the sermon. **Do not feel a need to go through all of the questions.** The goal is to stimulate discussion/reflection and transformation related to the sermon text and themes.)

1. In what ways do vv. 3-7 connect to our passage, v. 18-20? What do we learn about the situation or people mentioned in this letter?
2. What is Paul's point/argument in vv. 18-20? Looking back to earlier passages, what evidence has Paul provided to validate his point/argument?
3. How does this passage relate to the gospel or Jesus?
4. What do we learn about the consequences of rejecting "the faith"? Why is church discipline necessary? Are there areas in your life that God is shining a light on? In God's wisdom and strength, what changes do you need to make in your life to fight the good fight of faith using God's rules of engagement?