

MESSAGE TO CONVERSATION GUIDE At The Movies | Rocky

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1. If you were to describe any or all of the Rocky movies, what would you say? Also, do you have a favorite movie in the Rocky series & if so, why?
2. In the first fight scene of the original Rocky, it takes place in a church & you can see an image of Jesus as well as the word Resurrection in the background. Sylvester Stallone has said this was foreshadowing that Rocky would be this guy who, no matter how beat up he was, he would always rise again. How does that apply or inspire you in your life?
3. Rocky reminds us that life can feel like a fight. What kind of punches does life throw at us (you can be specific if you'd like).
4. Read Ephesians 6:10-12. Who are we in a fight against & what is at stake?
5. In this message, Joel said life's pattern is that testing normally follows triumph. What illustration did Joel give about this happening to Jesus? Have you experienced this pattern before?
6. Faith doesn't exempt us from getting punched in life. Faith gets us through getting punched. Read Ephesians 6:13-18 & talk about the weapons of faith we have access to.
7. God's Word (The Bible) & prayer are indispensable weapons when we're getting punched in life. How do you use them - or how would you like to use them more - to prepare for battle?
8. In the final round of Rocky's fight in Rocky IV, his trainer says to him you got to punch & punch until you can't punch anymore! This is your whole life! From a spiritual perspective, who is it that will never stop fighting for you & your life? How does that help you face the punches of life?

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