

Worth Fighting For **1 Timothy 1:12-20**

What is worth fighting for?

- I. Your sinful condition
 - A. Paul, the worst of sinners (v. 12-13, 15b)
 - B. Owning your sin
- II. The grace of Christ
 - A. Christ's overflowing grace (v. 14-15a; Rom. 5:20-21)
 - B. Christ's perfect patience (v. 16; Rom. 3:25)
- III. A good conscience
 - A. The necessity of a good conscience (v. 18-19a)
 - B. The result of rejecting your conscience (v. 19b-20)

Application Guide:

1. Why is it hard to fight for your sinful condition? How do cultural forces make it hard to own the truth that you are not good in and of yourself?
2. Do you believe that Jesus Christ is eager to save you? Why or why not? Do you believe he loves it when you need him? How does your upbringing impact your answers to these questions?
3. How have you seen repeated sin against your conscience damage your spiritual life and affect your doctrine (what you believe)?