

Winning on the Battlefield

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Text: Romans 6:11–14

Introduction:

Big Idea: To grow in my sanctification as a believer I must learn to wage war against sin on the battlefield of my life.

1. To win on the battlefield _____ (1,3,6,9)

Two key terms to grasp for victory on the battle of life

- God works in you: _____ (Romans 6:5–11)
- God works through you: _____ (Romans 6:12–14)

2. To win on the battlefield _____ yourselves dead to sin (11)

3. To win on the battlefield _____ LET _____ (12)

4. To win on the battlefield _____ to your new master (13-14)

The WAR ZONE:

- _____
 - Sins principle
 - God
- Warriors
 - Our members
- _____
 - Instruments
- Battlefield
 - The heart of a believer

Truth Into Action:

- The believer has been given a winning strategy over sin– **KNOW IT**
- The strategy only works to the degree we put the plan into action – **WIN YOUR BATTLE**

Connect Card:

- How should you do battle with sin?
- How may we help & pray for you?

Please understand we want to help you know Jesus personally and journey with you in taking fresh steps of obedience daily. We would love to pray with you and for you. Join us

at the end of the service for prayer or send us your request on the Connect Card and we will lift them up throughout the week.

Table Talk

Warm Up: I am a very poor beggar on the street and some generous person gives me a lot of money so that I am now rich. Do you think I would continue to live on the street eating food out of a dumpster? Discuss your answer:

How important is it to understand the difference between sin as a noun and sin as a verb?

A distinction was made in the sermon between salvation and sanctification. Define the term and describe their differences.

In the sermon three steps were listed when we face sin's temptation.

- What is Paul's conclusion from the first 11 verses?
- How do we keep from letting sin reign in our mortal bodies in verse 12?
- Is there any middle ground or neutral position we can take seen in these verses (11-14)?
- Application: Think of one sin you really struggle with. Write out some steps you should take to deal with the sin and kill it in your life. Write out more steps how to serve God in this area of your life.

Discuss the war that is being fought on the battlefield of life. How do you understand it?

Closing Prayer: Father God thank you for making a way to overcome sin. Please help me to apply the truth of today's sermon and overcome sin and grow in Christlikeness.