

Flee, Follow, Fight

1 Tim 6:11-12

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But thou: you are not one of them

Different than false prophets.

Different than money hungry.

Different than those who look lightly on sin.

Different than those of the world.

Man of God:

God's man to people.

2X in NT.

2 Tim. 3:16-17

Moses-Deut 33:1

Samuel-1 Sam. 9:6

Elijah-2 Ki 1:12

Elisha-2 Ki 5:8

Every child of God-considered *man of God*.

Flee these things: run away, shun, escape as a fugitive

Youthful lusts: 2 Tim 2:22

Sexual sin: 1 Cor 6:18

Idolatry: 1 Cor 10:14

Youthful Lusts: 2 Tim 2:22

Flee: Run from; shun, avoid.

Present tense: Flee and keep on fleeing.

These things: sins associated with loving money in vv 9-10.

Acts 20:33-35 1 Thess. 2:9

Follow after: run swiftly after to catch it
to pursue after in a hostile manner.

Righteousness: right with God.

Purity of life. Holy living.

2 Tim 2: 22

Godliness: reverence for God

From heart that seeks to worship God.

God-likeness

Internal

Heb. 12:28

Spurgeon: *the minister's self-watch*

1 Tim. 4:16

A race: 1 Cor. 9:24-27

Faith: internal; consistency, constancy, loyalty to God

Confident trust in Him for everything.

Attitude: confidence in God's power...

Mac: *Faith is the atmosphere in which the man of God exists. He trusts God to keep and fulfill His Word.*

Love: total giving, sacrificial love for God and others.

1 Thess. 3:6 1 Thess. 5:8 1 Tim. 1:14 2 Tim. 1:13

Mac: *The love of volition and choice. It is unrestricted and unrestrained, encompassing love for God, other believers, and non-Christians.*

Run after and pursue love.

Matt. 22:37-39 Rom. 5:5

Patience: to remain under.

Endurance, victorious and consistent unwavering love and faithfulness to Lord in midst of trials.

Meekness: gentleness, mildness, humbleness, kindness.

Strength under control.

Know man of God by what..

Flees from.

Follows.

Fights for.

1 Tim. 6:12

Fight: to struggle, agonize, compete for prize.

To strive vigorously and resolutely.

Present tense: continuous action ... always in battle.

If you are a child of God--in battle!

No choice in matter.

Don't need look for fight--fight finds us.

Good fight: noble, excellent.

Allusion to Grecian games.

Attitude: Willing to...

Put on gloves

Go against crowd

Swim upstream

2 Tim. 2:3; 4:7- 8 1 Cor. 9:26

Good fight of faith: embodiment of what believe.

Body of truth.

Christian faith.

Clarke: *Live the Gospel, and defend the cause of God. Unmask hypocrites, expel the profligate, purge and build up the Church, live in the spirit of thy religion, and give thyself wholly to this work.*

Lay hold on eternal life: seize, catch, take possession of, get grip on reality of eternal life.

Seize crown of victory as offered.

Lay hold on prize

Whereunto thou art also called,

God drew us to Himself.

Summoned us

Effectually called us to salvation.

Professed: Let others know.

Confessed.

Acknowledged

What saying?

Get serious about Christian life!

Flee: Run from; shun, avoid the sin of materialism.

Follow: Run swiftly after

Righteousness: life that is pure and holy...right with God

Godliness: God-likeness. Attitude of reverence toward God...

Faith: consistent, constant, confident trust in God for everything

Love: total giving, sacrificial, love for God and others.

Patience: endurance, unwavering, not backing off intensity

Meekness: humble, strength under control

Fight: struggle, agonize

The good: noble, excellent

Lay hold on eternal life: Be consumed with eternal.

whereunto thou art also called: called to eternal life.

and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses: Public stand for Christ.

So what?

Flee...Follow...Fight

Maintain eternal perspective

Stay in battle.

Be consumed with eternal