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THE GOOD FIGHT

BY JEREMY PEARSONS

I've never been in a fist-fight. As a dude, I don't know if that's something to be embarrassed or proud of, but nevertheless, it's the truth. I have, however, been punched a few times: once by a kid in high school who I had overly annoyed, once by a total stranger at a theme park who I can only assume thought that I was someone else, and once during a church service by a mentally challenged student in my youth group. But I don't think any of those can technically be counted as fights since I didn't hit back.

I was never the rough-and-tumble kind of kid; fighting really wasn't in my DNA. While some boys' fathers were teaching them to throw a punch, mine was teaching me to play Beatles songs on the piano. I also played saxophone in the high-school band, which I think pretty much sums up my level of raw aggression. Of course, like any other teenage boy, I took a few swings at the guy in the mirror when no one else was around to watch: "You talkin' to me?" I'd ask myself before I threw a lethal (albeit imaginary) right hook to my own face. I remember imagining what it would be like to go mano-a-mano with someone else. I had decided that if I were ever actually in a situation that came to fisticuffs, my technique would be to just look at the guy with crazy eyes and then begin laughing maniacally and flailing my arms in an effort to weird him out so much that he would just leave me alone. In retrospect, it's probably a

good thing I was never in a fight

because with techniques like that,

it could have only ended badly for

me.

Two separate letters of the New Testament were written from Paul to a young man named Timothy—someone who was at that time roughly the age I am now. Also like me, Timothy was not much of a natural-born fighter. We know from 2 Timothy 1:4 that he cried a lot, and he may have struggled with being timid and shy (vs. 7). Paul had to exhort him in both letters to stop ignoring the gift that was in him (1 Tim. 4:14) and to rekindle some excitement and passion about what God had called him to do (2 Tim. 1:6). In 2 Timothy 1:5 Paul says, "I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice." Of course this is ultimately a good thing, and I'm sure Paul meant it as a compliment, but what full-grown man wants to be told by his mentor that he reminds him so much of two older women-his mom and grandma? Understanding these clues to Timothy's personality helps us gain perspective on why Paul would've had to write to him and tell him emphatically to "fight the good fight of faith" (1 Tim. 6:12). It is entirely possible that Timothy was clinging tightly to this letter, struggling to read Paul's handwriting through the tears filling his eyes because of the persecution against him personally and

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1 Timothy 6:12 (WUEST)

against the church at that time. It all would've been enough to make even the strongest of men want to run and hide, yet Paul is telling this young man who doesn't have a confrontational bone in his body to get up, put on his spiritual gloves, get in the ring, and fight. Like it or not, these words are written as much to you and me as they were to Timothy, and we share in the same responsibility to fight the good fight of faith, regardless of our personality types or lack of fighting instincts or experience.

I like how this verse reads in the Wuest translation of the New Testament. It

says, "Be constantly engaging in the contest of the Faith, which contest is marked by its beauty of technique." When Paul told Timothy to fight, he was telling him to be constantly engaged in this contest of faith. Maybe Timothy felt like every Christian has at one time or another-discouraged in his faith, not quickly seeing the results he'd hoped for and expected. But when you let discouragement hang around, soon you'll discover that you've disengaged entirely from the fight like a boxer standing in the ring with his hands at his sides allowing his opponent to mercilessly land blow after blow. Paul is Timothy's trainer in his corner yelling,

> "Get your hands up! Get back in the fight!" It's all too easy to come out swinging in the early rounds only to lose heart as the fight seems to drag on and on well past the time you thought it would. But we must never quit fighting no matter how many rounds it goes. We can't afford to take "faith breaks," choosing to walk and talk by sight for a time while our opponent hits our bodies, our

families, or our finances. Listen right now, and you will hear the Holy Spirit shouting from your corner, "Reengage! Get back in the fight!"

Notice, Paul didn't tell Timothy simply to fight the fight of faith. He told him to fight "the good fight" of faith. When you look up the word *good*, you find that it means "beautiful or handsome to look at; excellent in its characteristics." Paul wasn't just telling Timothy to fight; he was telling him to fight and to be good at it! Again, that is why the Wuest translation said that the contest of faith is one "marked by the beauty of its technique." Evidently there is a

measure of skill and technique required in fighting and winning the fight of faith because our opponent isn't going to be scared off by crazy eyes, strange noises, or wildly flailing arms. If this is going to be a good fight, then you are going to have to be better at what you do than your opponent is at what he does. As long as your faith packs a bigger punch than his fear, you will win the fight.

Paul asks us in 1 Corinthians 9:24, "Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it." According to this verse, it's not enough to just be in the race:

God wants you to win it, and winning is dependent on the way you run. He goes on in verse 26 to describe his technique—the way he runs the race. "Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty." Sadly most people don't even know they are in a race, living each day without a sense of urgency, expectancy, or any awareness of the call of God on their lives.

However, there are those, like you and me, who not only know that we are in a race, but we can say with certainty who we are running for and what we are running towards. Running with this kind of certainty separates us from the rest of the pack and ensures that we will receive the prize at the end of the race. But notice the next phrase in verse 26: Paul switches sports from running to fighting when he says, "Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air." When I think of someone beating the air, it reminds me of being a kid, standing in front of the mirror pretending to fight the guy in front of me. I would throw punch after punch into the air but never actually

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make contact. And that's the problem with beating the air; you never actually make contact. And if you never make contact, then you'll never have impact. You want to be like Paul, unwilling to live a life that makes no impact on the world around you. You want your fight of faith to make an impact for the kingdom of God, against the kingdom of darkness. Your words of faith should carry weight and land heavy blows in the face of fear, doubt, and unbelief. Sickness and disease are weak, glassjawed opponents that will go down for the count, but only for those who are good at fighting the fight, not for those who are "trying out" faith principles and fail to stay engaged in the fight till the end.

I know there are many that feel like they're being hit in different areas of their lives, like they're being beat up by financial pressure, symptoms of sickness, etc. To those I say that it's not a fight until you swing back. So make it a fight, and make it a good one! Don't take this lying down any longer, and stop using the excuse that fighting isn't

really in your DNA. My dad may have never taught me to throw a punch, but he did teach me to fight the fight of faith by believing and speaking the Word of God until things changed and my faith became sight. And now that I'm a father, I am training up my own little fighters, showing them the ropes of living and walking

by faith. You could say that fighting is in our blood. And since God is your Father, and Jesus, the One who defeated death, hell, and the grave, is your Brother; that means fighting is in your blood too. It's in your born-again DNA. So get back up on your faith. Reengage in this fight with a grace, skill, and technique that leaves your adversary the devil wishing he'd picked a fight with anyone else but you.

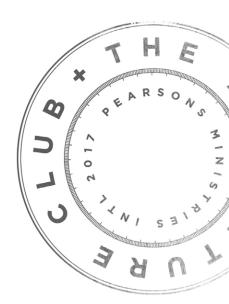


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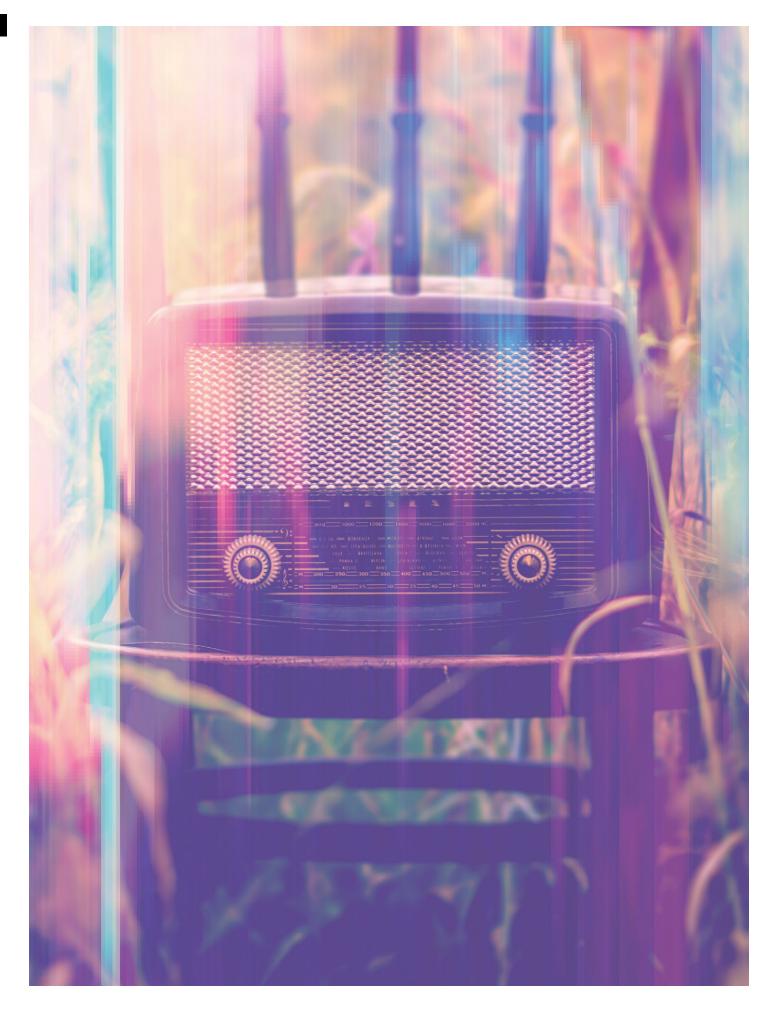
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BY SARAH PEARSONS

In high school and college, I worked as a deejay at a Christian radio station owned by my church. I so clearly remember sitting at my desk with my oversized headphones speaking to our radio audience: "You're listening to KMTC 91.1 FM—Keeping you More Than a Conqueror."

At the top of every hour, I announced the time and played the national news, then I gave the local weather forecast for River Valley. In those old-school radio days, nothing was done on computer, so part of my job was to scan the wall of Christian albums for the perfect songs to minister to our listeners. At that time, KMTC was the only Christian radio station that you could pick up in our town, and it was one of the only stations in all of Arkansas that played faith-filled music and teaching from the Word of God. Radio frequencies on either side of ours were nothing but static, so if you wanted to hear what we were playing, you had to tune in to the exact FM frequency—91.1.

Did you know that faith is a frequency? It is only by faith that we tune in to God and He tunes into us. There is only one station that He broadcasts from, and there is only one way we send out a signal to Him—through the faith frequency. The faith frequency is the only wavelength that He rides on. Hebrews 11: 6 says, "Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him."

Without faith it is impossible to please God. What a huge statement that is! And nothing pleases the Father more than to bless His children. But if we want to receive anything from God, we must pray on the faith frequency, worship on the faith frequency, and live every moment of our lives on the faith frequency. If we want to dial into God, we have to tune in to only one frequency and turn everything else off. James 1:5-8 tells us how to do this: "If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. But

let him ask IN FAITH, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways" (emphasis mine).

A double-minded man is someone who listens to two different things. His heart is wavering, moving back and forth between frequencies. He is tuned into two different wavelengths. We frustrate ourselves when we try to tune into faith and fear at the same time—like listening to two different radios in the same room blaring different stations. At some point, we must choose which one we need to hear, and then tune out everything else. A single-minded man tunes into one station at a time, and he hears clear and precise. To tune in is to pay attention, concentrate, and give heed to. Proverbs tells us that if we want to be healed, we must pay attention to His Word and listen to His sayings.

A double-minded man also looks at two different things, but Proverbs 4:25 instructs us, "Let your eyes look straight ahead, and your eyelids look right before you." We have to set our face like flint: looking in one direction, laying hold of a promise by faith, and keeping our eyes on the prize. This is being singleminded. There have been many times in my life that I have been tempted to waver, especially while standing for my healing. But I heard the Lord speak this to my heart once, and it has stuck with me ever since: "If I can capture your stare, I can change your circumstance." The key word here is if. If we remain single-minded, believing His Word and wholehearted in trusting Him, we will win every time, for "this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith"

(1 John 5:4).

So how do you "tune in" to God? If you want to pick up a good signal, you have to have a good antenna. I'll never forget as a kid watching my dad working out in the garage trying so hard to finagle the two tall metal rods into perfect position so that he could tune in to hear the Arkansas Razorbacks play basketball. At the time, we were living out in the country, and if we wanted to pick up anything at all on TV, we had to do the same thing with that antenna. We'd do anything to keep from missing an episode of Star Trek: The Next Generation. It seemed like such an ordeal at the time, but if we adjusted our antenna just right by propping it up on a few books, tilting it on its side, squinting one eye, and biting our lips, all of the sudden something magical began to happen! The fuzzy static started to disappear as the picture and sound became loud and clear.

An antenna is sometimes called a receiver because it extends out to catch radio waves that are traveling at the speed of light. Your heart is your antenna. With your heart you can reach out to God, tune into His power, and receive all the light He has predestined for you. Sometimes it just takes making a few heart adjustments in order for the signal to come through loud and clear.

I want to give you three characteristics of a heart that is tuned into the faith frequency, a heart that hears clearly and receives freely. First is a thankful heart. Psalm 100 tells us to "enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise." A way to "tune out" is to do the opposite—murmur and complain. We can't be thankful and unthankful at the same time. That's being double minded! We're either one or the other.

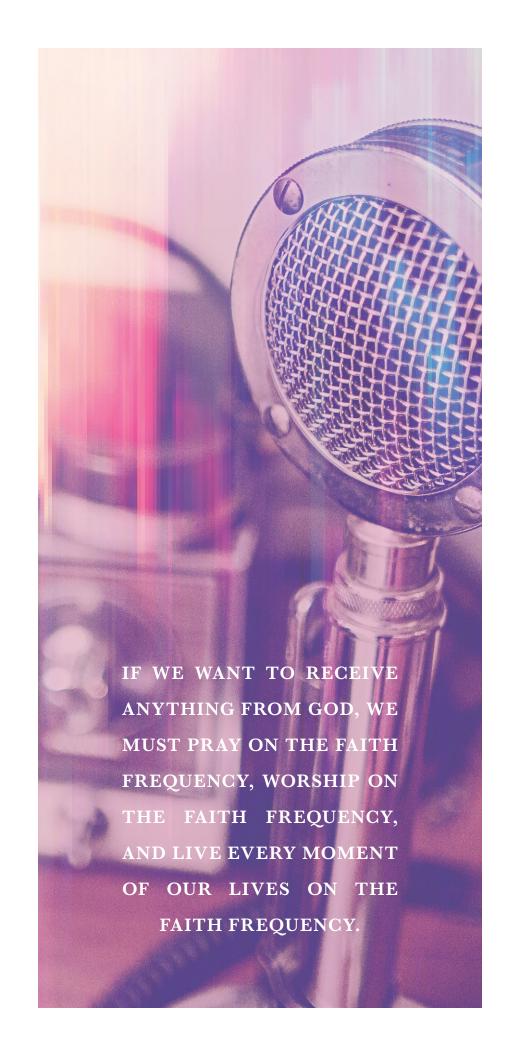
Thanksgiving is the language of faith.

It is the language of the overcomer! Faith is the only language that God speaks, so if we want to understand Him and we want Him to understand us; if we want to have effective communication and good conversation, we must learn to speak His language.

Second is a genuine heart. It takes getting real with God and believing that He is real to receive anything from Him. Jesus talked about this when He taught the woman at the well what real worship is: "But there comes an hour and it is now, when the genuine worshippers shall worship the Father in a spiritual sphere, and in the sphere of truth. For indeed, the father is seeking such as these who worship Him. God as to His nature is spirit, and for those who are worshipping, it is necessary in the nature of the case to be worshipping in a spiritual sphere, and in the sphere of truth" (John 4:23,24 WUEST).

God lives in another sphere, another realm of reality, on the frequency of faith. He is so real and genuine that it takes a genuine heart to connect with Him. If we really want to worship Him and receive from Him, we must put away anything in us that is fake or false and get real with Him. He's just waiting for us to start up a normal conversation like we would with a friend. It doesn't take kooky talk and hocus-pocus to conjure up something with Him. It takes simple genuine faith to hang with Him. When we stop pretending, we start receiving.

Third is a willing heart. Our master has a heart like this. When Jesus was in the garden, His flesh didn't want to go to the cross, but His spirit cried out to our Father, "Nevertheless, THY WILL BE DONE" (emphasis mine).



When I was pregnant with my second baby, we began looking for a new house to fit our growing family. I became frustrated because I didn't know what to do even after I had prayed and asked the Lord for wisdom. Jeremy and I really thought we were supposed to move to Colorado and set up our ministry there, but the more we looked, the more and more frustrated we became. We couldn't get a witness on anything. So one night as I was putting Justus to bed and praying over him, I opened my heart up as wide as I could and cried out to the Lord regarding the house we needed, "LORD, YOUR WILL BE DONE!" And just as soon as I said that, I knew the answer. Deep down on the inside, I saw a specific house that our friends were living in at the time in a nice neighborhood in Fort Worth, Texas. I had never thought of living there before, but in just a few short moments, I knew that was our new house. I hadn't even been looking in the right state!

A willing heart creates a hearing ear. We had wanted to live in Colorado, but we had to tune in with a willing heart before we were able to hear God's heart on the matter. I told Jeremy what I saw in prayer, and he called our friends that lived in that house. Come to find out, they were moving out in June, the same month we needed to move in! A couple of years later, the Lord directed us to what is now our ministry property in Texas, which included the fully functioning TV studio that we needed to start *LegacyTV*. This is

what God had planned for us from the beginning of time; we just had to tune in and find it. Isaiah 1:19 says, "If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land."

We're not the only ones tuning in to the faith frequency. There's Someone else out there seeking and scanning the world over to find somebody who believes in Him and who will take Him at His Word. As a teenager, I was fascinated by my friend's police scanner that could pick up all kinds of frequencies. We would scan and scan until we found something interesting enough to capture our attention. In much the same way, "The

eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him" (2 Chron. 16:9).

OI. A THANKFUL HEART.

02. A GENUINE HEART.

03. A WILLING HEART.

The Common English Bible translation says, "The Lord's eyes scan the whole world." God is scanning for faith. He scans until He hears us on the faith frequency. Faith is so captivating that it causes Him to stop in His tracks, listen to us, and then go to work in our lives.

You don't have to spend another day trying to hear God through the static and noise. Tune your heart to the faith frequency, and you'll hear Him coming through loud and clear.



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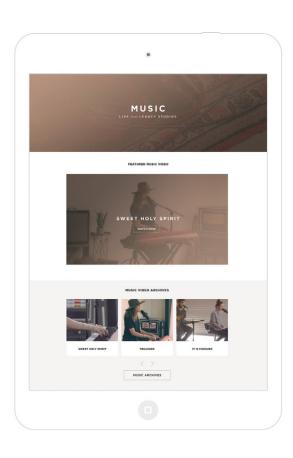


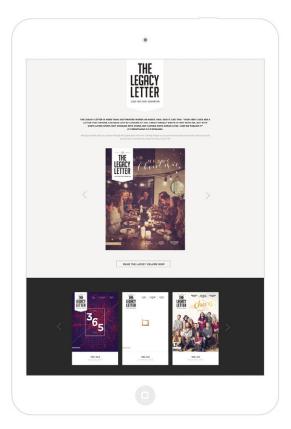
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When we received your partner letter containing the card with the words WE WILL WIN, those words could not have come at a better time:

My sister was pregnant with her first child, and we were about to enter into one of the strongest faith fights our family has been in. They had discovered early on that she had a bicornuate uterus, which can cause many difficulties in pregnancy, from pregnancy loss to pre-term labor. The doctors weren't sure how long the baby would make it. The words WE WILL WIN stayed stamped on my heart as we fought off lies of anything less than His promises. Every day of that pregnancy was a fight, especially for my sister. Every day was another victory.

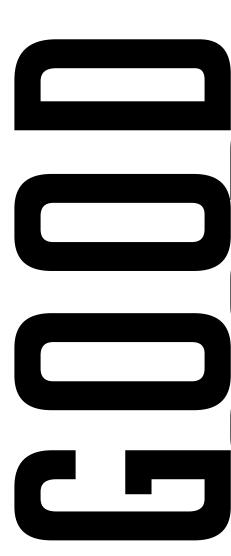
I shared those words and your letter with my sister, and not too long after, she was rushed to the hospital around 30 weeks in pre-term labor. We began seeking the Lord, and we also had KCM prayer team standing with us. The Lord walked this thing out with us so perfectly. We spoke to baby specifically to stay in that womb until his appointed time. The doctors already felt and saw his head, but by the power of the Word of God, he went right back up into his position. She was transported to Dallas to a hospital that couldn't have given her better care and attention. Nurses talked about how much of a miracle it was she was still pregnant and hadn't had the baby yet.

Had the baby come early, he would have only been three pounds. They kept the contractions away, and after about a month, she was sent home on bed rest to later have a healthy, 6 pound 9 ounce boy. All of the other birth complications that were supposed to be associated with this, such as being born breech, did not happen, which also amazed the doctors. He had no preemie complications at all.

He is a manifestation of the goodness of God. Early on, they chose the name Jase, meaning "healer," and oh, did we experience the Healer!

We are celebrating your family's healing victory with you as well! Our God is faithful. Thank you for joining us in the fight.





Thank you for having one of your staff members call and pray with me. I shared that I knew I was supposed to move, but I wasn't sure where. After we prayed, the Lord started revealing details to me immediately, and I now know exactly where I'm supposed to be. Glory to God! Your call came at exactly the right time. May God bless your ministry, your staff, and all your families abundantly.





I've been going through some hard times, and I talked to God about it, asked Him questions, and then I randomly picked one of your podcasts, and it answered all the questions I was just asking God! It's so amazing. Every time I ask God a question, He gives me the answers right away. I know He loves me, and I know He loves you both. So, thank you for doing what you're doing. God bless you both and your whole ministry!



I wanted to send a praise report that Kayla has been offered a job! Praise the Lord!

You guys sent us an email with your prayer for a job for Kayla, and she was offered a job just over a week later! This is the job she wanted and the BEST job out of all the jobs she was considering.

This job is an increase in every area we wanted: personnel, professional, and financial. When Kayla applied for the job, she gave them a salary range she wanted, and they are starting her at the TOP of her salary range! Praise the Lord! She will also be working with leaders that she can learn from and teammates that are supportive and smart.

We are so thankful for your prayers. We have prayed an increase over the entire team of PMI, and we believe the Lord is directing us to sow our firstfruits from our increase into this ministry. We are honored and excited to do so. Words cannot express our gratitude for this ministry. We are so blessed to be a part of it.

We love you all so much!









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