

If I Don't Know How to Fight – I Lose!
Study Guide
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Why do we fail? It is a question we must ask.

Rule # 1. Understand the _____ –what is the _____, what is at _____.

1 Peter 4:12-19 *12 Beloved, do not be amazed and bewildered at the fiery ordeal which is taking place to test your quality, as though something strange, unusual and alien to you and your position were befalling you...*

The purpose of trials is : _____.

Rom 5:3-5 *...and not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; and perseverance, character; and character, hope. Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.*

Acts 14:22 *strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, "We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God."*

What is at stake is: My growth, and the growth of those around me and those I love, those who will hear of me, my life, my trials and victories, and my perseverance....

Rule # 2: Know what to do first.

- **Cry out to the Lord who is your help**, who knows what is going on and is the only One who knows the way to get through this difficulty victoriously. **Ps. 18:6** In my distress, when seemingly closed in, I called upon the Lord and cried to my God; He heard my voice out of is temple ... and my cry came before Him, into His very ears. **Ps, 3:4; Ps 30:8; Ps 34:6; Ps 107: all; Ps 138:3** Ampl. In the day when I called, You answered me; and You strengthened me with strength , might and inflexibility to temptation in my inner self. **Matt. 14:30; Ps 62:8;**

- **Get a scripture – the sword of the Lord – to fight with.**

Ps 17:4 *Concerning the works of men, By the word of Your lips, I have kept away from the paths of the destroyer.*

Ps 119:133 *Direct my steps by Your word, And let no iniquity have dominion over me.*

Ps 119:148 *My eyes are awake through the night watches, that I may meditate on Your word.*

Prov 13:13 *He who despises the word will be destroyed,*

Eph 6:17-18 *and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;*

- **Adjust your attitude:**

Phil. 4:13 Ampl. *I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers me – I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me: I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency.*

2 Cor. 2:14 *But thanks be to God, Who in Christ always leads us in triumph – as trophies of Christ's victory – and through us spreads and makes evident the fragrance of the knowledge of God everywhere.*

Eph 6:10-18 *Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that*

you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints

**Never, ever, quit
Never back down
Never back up**

2 Cor 10:3-6 *For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.*

Prophetic Word:

How Far Will You Go?

*How far will you go until you draw a line in the sand
against the enemy?*

*I am here with My glory to set you free, But I will not stand for you or
Draw the line in the sand for you.*

When you draw a line and make a stand, Will you then rely on the power of My hand?

How far will you go for Me?

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A Prayer

May my heart and life be an open book

A map, guiding wandering lives

Straight to the heart of God.

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*Today, face to face with the impossible again
How do I handle this in order to win*

*the battle I'm facing is for someone else
for someone I love who needs my help*

*all that is needed is my love and prayer
and for them to know I will always be there*

*without condemnation, judgment or advice
this I have found is the best way to fight*

*For the Lord loves them more than I ever could
His plans for their life are only good*

*So I set myself now to stand in peace
not giving an inch till I see release*

*I am fully confident that the war is won
I stand, trusting my Jesus, till the thing is done*

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