



WINNING THE SPIRITUAL BATTLE

Part Four

1 TIMOTHY 1:15-20

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- We are soldiers for Christ, and we have an adversary – Satan.
- Every believer must war a good warfare against our adversary. How can we do this? The apostle Paul lays out a strategy for us.

First, we must exercise complete allegiance to our Leader. vs. 17-18

Second, we must obey instructions from our Commander. vs. 15

Third, we must follow the correct pattern. vs. 16

- In each dispensation God provides a chief spokesman who provides a pattern of divine expectation for others.
- Something started with Paul that would be a pattern for others to look at during this time of grace.
- *“But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee; Delivering thee from the people, and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee...”*

- *“...To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.” Acts 26:16-18*
 - ⇒ Paul was chosen to receive a series of special revelations from Christ.
 - ⇒ Paul was chosen to hold the _____ of Gentile apostleship.
 - ⇒ Paul was chosen to be the one to whom Christ would reveal the _____ of the body of Christ and dispensation of grace.
 - ⇒ Paul was chosen to be the one to whom God would reveal the intimate details of the _____ and the gospel of grace.
 - ⇒ Paul was chosen to write more _____ of God's Word than all of the twelve combined.
- Was it because he **deserved** these privileges? Absolutely not! It was sheer _____, and Paul knew it.
- Everything we are and everything we have is a _____ of God's marvelous grace.
- As a soldier, following the correct pattern is crucial. Do you want the right results? You have to follow the _____ pattern.
- *“Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.” Philippians 4:9*



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