

# LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

## FIGHT CLUB

Scripture: Genesis 32:22-32

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Today Pastor Miles began a new series called Fight Club. One of the greatest deceptions the devil uses is to try and make us believe he is not there or that there is no spiritual warfare. This may sound absurd to us, but how much easier is it to focus anger, frustration, or pain at a person rather than something spiritual? The devil and his demons never, ever stop fighting. When we become complacent, lukewarm Christians, we are not fighting for who God wants us to be. We can't be fulfilled until we are being who God wants us to be and doing what God called us to do. The difference from where we are today verses where God wants us to be is the change we should be fighting for. This series is designed to install a fighting spirit and a fighting attitude to make those changes happen.

## MEMORY VERSES

### **1 Timothy 6:12**

Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

### **Ephesians 6:12**

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

## DISCUSSION STARTERS

1. What makes you the most uncomfortable? (LEADER NOTE: Being uncomfortable is the first step to God leading us to a change).

2. What is the one thing you wanted the most in your life so far? What did you do to try and get it?

**FOLLOW UP QUESTION AFTER ALL HAVE ANSWERED:** Will God be able to say that we have wanted Him (God) as much as that one thing?



3. Pastor Miles talked about fighting for something (or fighting to get something). Share something you fought really hard to get or keep.

## STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Pastor Miles talked about a football team's "walk through" the day before a game. In a walk through, players do not wear pads and simply walk through the plays without contact and put forth minimal physical effort. What activity or area of your life is like a "walk through" where minimal effort is being made or we are simply going through the motions?

2. Share about something you have prayed the most about.

FOLLOW UP question: What if you prayed like that about what you came up with in question 2 above?

3. If we hear something often enough, we start to believe it is true. What lies or negative things are in your head that the enemy keeps repeating?

4. What has God called you to be or what is your God given purpose? This is our identity we need to be fighting for!

**READ 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 and Ephesians 6:12**

5. What does it look like to live in the world, according to these verses? Should we be fighting other people?

**For these questions, suggest breaking into groups of 2 or 3.**

6. What things or areas in your life do you do over and over that you hate or dislike?

7. What are you doing now that needs to stop?

8. What are you not doing now that needs to begin or do more often?

9. What area are you having a struggle or what idols are there that needs to be fought with persistent, passionate prayer?



## PUT IT INTO PRACTICE

1. Pray a prayer of passion. Something you are willing to fight for
2. Ask someone for forgiveness or admit you were wrong and don't use "but.... or because..." in the conversation.
3. FOR THE NEXT MEETING: Reflect on this question:  
**Why is it that we are NOT changing our hearts and following with a change in behaviors?**

## TAKE IT HOME!

What are you going to fight in prayer for?

### Prayer Guide

I am going to fight in prayer for \_\_\_\_\_

I affirm that I am \_\_\_\_\_

I reject the lie that \_\_\_\_\_

I will not let go or stop praying until you \_\_\_\_\_

