

“Wanna Get Away from Negative Critical People”

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Paul's instruction for Positive Living: I Tim. 6:11-14

"But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness. Fight the good fight of faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Principles for Positive Living:

1. Know what to **Flee** from (v. 11)

KEY: **Look In** - Identify the negative people and distracting influences in your life.

2. Know what to **Follow** after (v. 11b)

KEY: **Put On** - God's positive character qualities.

3. Know what to **Fight** for (v.12)

KEY: **Take Hold** - Of your faith, your heart and get involved in your church and community. A cause bigger than your circumstances.

4. Know what to have **Faith** in (vs. 13, 14)

KEY: **Stand Firm** – In living out your faith in front of others.

Personal Action:

1. Put on the right attitude. Phil. 2:5
2. Be a coach not a critic. Eph. 4:29
3. Permit others to be successful. Phil 2:3
4. Live and lead by example. I Jn 2:6
5. Get alone with God. Ps. 46:1
6. Positive living comes from prayer. Phil 4:6,7
7. Read the owners manual. II Tim. 2:15.
8. Put on His Love. Matt. 22:37-39
9. Seek Him with all your heart. Ps. 119:10