

We've learned in a variety of ways this month that we are engaged in a spiritual battle and the battleground is our hearts. **But we do not fight alone**. God has provided his word to guide us, his people to encourage us, his ear to our prayers, and the tools we need to succeed.

I must be careful to guard my own heart. It's not all up to God. He provides the tools and the armor; I must be willing to use them. Just listen...

- Watch _____ your heart with all diligence, for from it flow the springs of life. (Prov 4:23)
- Set a _____, LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips. (Psa 141:3)
- "_____, and be on your guard against every form of greed..." (Luke 12:15)
- "Be ____ guard for yourselves and for all the flock..." (Acts 20:28)
- "Timothy, _____ what has been entrusted to you..." (1 Tim 6:20)
- "...be on your guard so that you are not carried_____ by error." (2 Pet 3:17)

Protecting What Is Valuable:

- Pay attention to the _____ God gives us throughout the Bible
- 2. Put _____ the full armor of God (Eph 6:11-18)
- 3. Recognize that some things are just _____ helpful

One last verse to remember: "For from ______, out of the hearts of people, come the evil thoughts..." (Mark 7:21). **Guard your heart!**

For Class & Family Discussion:

- Let's make this as practical as possible: how can you guard your heart?
- What does Proverbs 4:23 mean when it says that "from" our hearts "flow the springs of life"?
- One of the "guards" God has given me to use for my heart is my conscience. Let's read Acts 24:16 and 1 Timothy 1:5 together. What is your conscience and how can it help you guard your heart?
- Roger encouraged us to pay attention to the warnings God has given us in the Bible. Can you think of some of those warnings?
- Roger emphasized in the video that "some things are just not helpful." Things like...
- What did Jesus promise us in Matthew 5:8? What does it mean?
- Romans 8:31-39 seems like a very appropriate place to end this series. What does it mean to be "more than conquerors" and how is it possible?