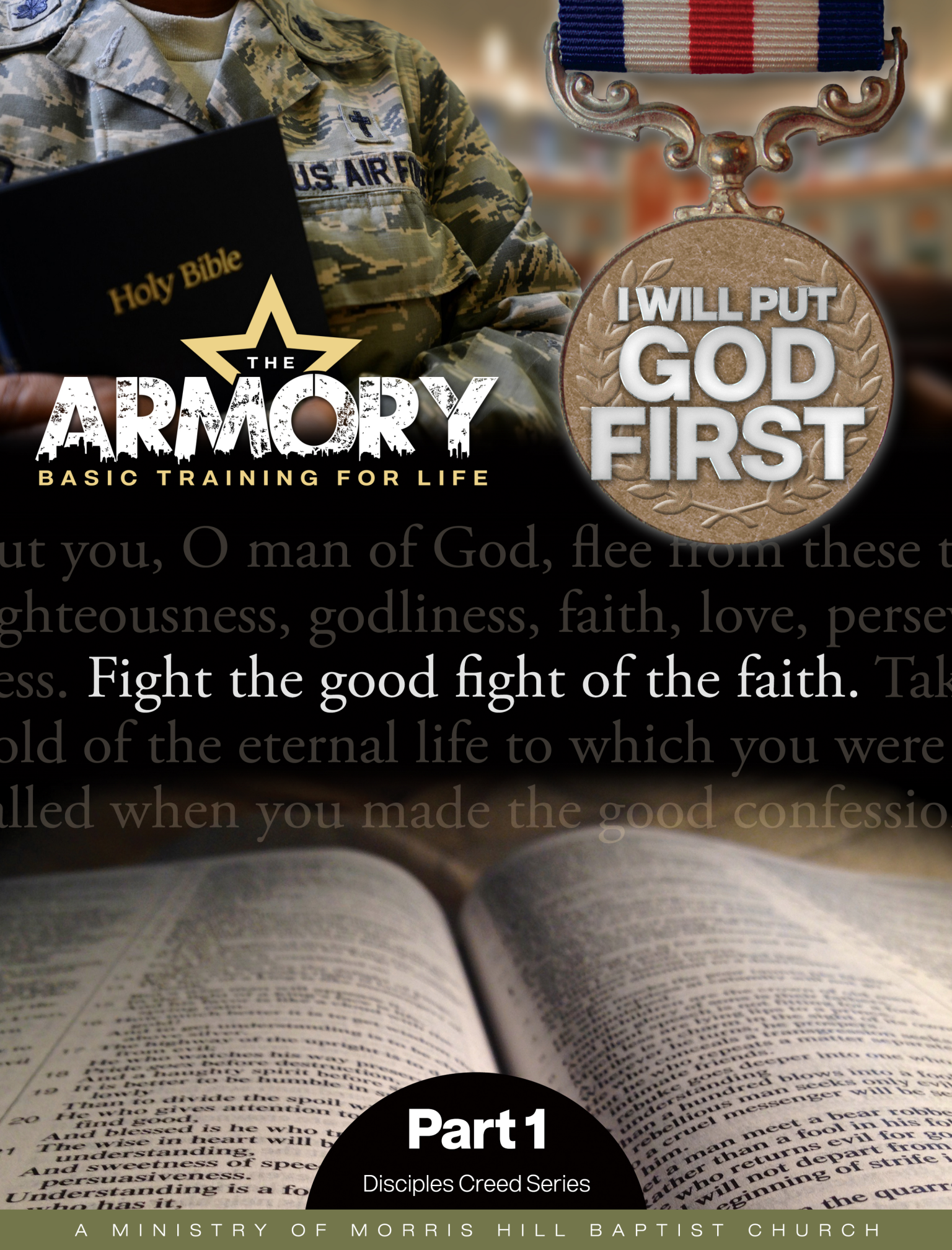
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INITIAL DISCUSSION: HOW OFTEN DO YOU PUT GOD FIRST IN YOUR LIFE?

Disciples Creed - I will put God first. I will do good deeds. I will have Gospel conversations. I will never quit.

Love God With All Your Heart

Matthew 22:37: *Jesus replied: Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.*

1) Loving God with all your heart is to desire Him, His will, and His righteousness above all.

What do you desire the most in this world? Be honest, God knows your heart better than you do.

2) Name some things or people one might put before God.

3) Loving God is a process. It takes time, effort, and wisdom.

Learning to love God is like growing up from childhood to adulthood. Every day you get a little bigger, smarter, and gain more experience. Has your love for God grown, stayed the same, or faded over this past year?

4) What can you do different going forward to put God first in your heart?

Love God with all your soul and mind.

1) Love God with your soul.

Your soul, according to Scripture, is a reference to your whole being. Thus, to love God with your soul is to love Him with your passions, hungers, perceptions, talk, hands, and thoughts. Can your passion, talk, and even your thoughts be described as Godly?

2) How can you love God with your passions, thoughts, and ideas?

3) Loving God with your mind requires that you know God, and that knowledge comes through His Word.

If knowing God requires you to know His Word, how well do you know Him?

Why do many Christians not have the desire or motivation to learn and study the Bible?

4) Most Christians say they want to experience God. Some try to experience God through silence and meditation, while others try through works and accomplishments.

Biblically speaking, a believer experiences God through the study of Scripture and then living according to its truth. Conclusion, when a person loves God with their whole being including their soul and mind, they will experience His peace, love, and grace in their life. If you don't have peace, love, and joy in your life, what could be the problem?

5) God will not give you the desire to love Him. You are commanded to love Him which means it is your responsibility.

Are you willing to do what is necessary to love and experience God daily?

Do you really want to love God in that way?

What do you need to change so that you can?

Weekly Challenge: Memorize Matthew 22:37 and pray it back to God each day this week.