

Introduction – This class has been designed to help you defend your faith when discussing religion or faith issues with others.

Rules of Engagement

In war, there are rules of engagement that are designed to mitigate the damage and loss of life.

In Bible warfare, there are also these kinds of rules so that the discussion can continue in a productive way.

Rule #1 – Understand that people are _____ about their beliefs

- Members of the Church of Christ do not have a corner on sincerity or on zeal.

- "... speak the truth in love." – **Ephesians 4:5**

Rule #2 – Stick to _____

- Our task is given to us in **Matthew 28:20**

- There are some important reasons for sticking to the Word of God

A. It's Biblical – II Timothy 3:16

B. It keeps the debate in perspective

Rule #3 – Be _____

Some folks understand intellectually (head) but require more time to accept things emotionally (heart).

The Apostles

At time, there are many obstacles that people need to overcome in order to believe or accept what is taught.

Family Loyalty _____

We need to be willing to keep the discussion going as long as the other person agrees to continue sharing and discussing.

Summary

Review the basics:

1. Give people credit

2. Study God's Word

3. Be Patient!
