

# **Built to Lead Fighting the Right Battles**

Fatherhood is not for the faint of heart. Every day brings new battles—demands at work, tension at home, and the struggle to stay patient. But not every fight is worth your energy.

A hero dad learns to fight for his children, not with them. The greatest victories come when we win hearts, not arguments.

#### "Fight the good fight of faith." — 1 Timothy 6:12

God's Word reminds us that not every fight is holy. Some are fueled by pride, frustration, or control. But when we fight for connection, truth, and love, we're fighting the right battles.

Type of Father	What He Fights For	Result
Villain	To win or control	Creates fear and distance
Ghost	Avoids conflict	Creates confusion and insecurity
Hero	For his child's heart	Builds trust and faith

Lesson Truth: Not every battle needs to be fought. Save your energy for the ones that shape character and connection.

### **Fighting for What Matters**

A hero dad stays in the ring—not to dominate, but to defend, protect, and shape.

He fights for his child's heart, his marriage, his integrity, and his faith. He leads with calm strength, not harsh control.

- **Ask:** Is this about my pride or their growth?
- Pause: Respond calmly instead of reacting.
- **Prioritize:** Save strong correction for serious issues—lying, disrespect, harmful behavior.
- **Apologize:** When you lose your temper, circle back with humility. Apologizing doesn't weaken your authority—it models grace.

## **Faith and Fight**

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It's a war out there—at work, at home, and within yourself. But the greatest battle you can fight is for your children. Stand firm and fight for them. Make sure they have what they need to grow, to learn, and to thrive. Show them through your actions that you're present—and that you won't give up when life gets tough.

You're not fighting against your children; you're fighting for them—for their hearts, their identity, and their hope in God. Your consistency shows them what faithfulness looks like, even when life is hard.



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#### How to Fight the Good Fight at Home

- Fight for Connection Lead with empathy and patience.
- Fight for Clarity Set boundaries calmly and hold the line with consistency.
- Fight for Grace Admit when you're wrong and ask forgiveness.
- Fight for Legacy Let your children see what perseverance and love look like in action.

### **Challenge For the Week**

This week, identify one area where your "fight" has been misplaced—maybe your tone, impatience, or need to be right. Then flip the script:

- Fight for connection instead of control.
- Fight for understanding instead of winning.
- Fight for the heart of your child instead of your pride.

The battle is real, but the victory—your child's trust—is worth it.