Easy Chicken Noodle Soup

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons olive oil

1 large onion, chopped

2 large carrots, chopped

2 stalks celery, chopped (optional)

Heaping tablespoon minced garlic

2 bay leaves

½ teaspoon dried thyme or 3 sprigs fresh thyme

1 pound skinless boneless chicken thighs (4-5)

8 cups chicken stock or broth

5 ounces egg noodles (of pasta of choice)

Salt and pepper to taste

Water or more stock as needed

Directions:

- 1. Sauté onions, carrots, and celery in olive oil. Cook until the vegetables begin to soften.
- 2. Stir in the about 4 cloves of garlic, 2 bay leaves, and ½ tsp thyme. Cook, while stirring the garlic around for about a minute
- 3. Pour in the chicken stock and bring to a low simmer.
- 4. Submerge the chicken thighs into the soup so the broth covers them. Bring the soup back to a low simmer then partially cover the pot with a lid and cook, stirring a few times until the chicken thighs are cooked through, about 20 minutes
- 5. Take the chicken out and put it on a plate.
- 6. Put the noodles in the soup and cook them for 6-10 minutes.
- 7. While the noodles are cooking, shred the chicken into strips or you can dice into cubes.
- 8. Place the chicken back into the pot, then taste the soup once more for seasoning.