

SPIRITUAL WARFARE PART 4

Midweek Instruction
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**THIS
MEANS WAR**



OVERCOMING THE ADVERSARY

- **Question:** Why is Satan so active in the world today?
- **Answer:** Because Christians have neglected the whole realm of spiritual warfare. Many preachers and teachers have gone to extremes to shy away from the subject leaving people to go into battle unprepared.

OVERCOMING THE ADVERSARY

- **Answer:** Because we are living in “perilous times, evil times, last days and Satan has redoubled his efforts knowing his time is short. Rev. 12:12.
- **Answer:** Because society has rejected God and embraced evil in radical ways. In the 21st century we have openly rejected God and his Word.



SPIRITUAL WARFARE FIGHTER'S VERSES: JAMES 4:7-8; EPHESIANS 6:13

- ***James 4:7 Submit yourselves then to God, Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double minded.***
- ***Ephesians 6:13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything to stand.***

JAMES 4:7-8

- The enemy will not flee unless you are submitted to God first.
- The enemy hates God and knows the only way to hurt God is to hurt God's children.
- God loves you! If you hurt, God hurts. As God's child, God wants to help you and God will fight for us when we truly love God.

EPHESIANS 6:13

- We are in a battle and God has given us the weapons of our warfare. When God says put on the whole armor of God, it means we need to saturate ourselves with the Word of God.
 - The Word of God is a Sword, you can't defeat an enemy you don't recognize or know. The enemy is on a mission to wreck our lives all in the name of hate.
 - The enemy is an actor and he tries to imitate God in order to deceive us.
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PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOUR OF GOD

WAR A GOOD WARFARE
1 TIM. 1:18

RIGHTEDOUSNESS

ENDURE
2 TIM. 2:3



SALVATION

FAITH

TRUTH

WORD OF GOD
HEB. 4:12

PREPARATION OF THE
GOSPEL OF PEACE

2 COR. 2:11

EPH. 6:10-18

FIGHT
1 TIM. 6:12

OVERCOME
REV. 3:5

ADULTRY
HATE
DRUNKENNESS
REVELLINGS

GAL. 5:19-21

MALICE
ENVIES
HYPOCRISIES

1 PET. 2:1

FALSE TEACHERS - 2 PET. 2:13
2 COR. 11:13-15

DISOBEDIENCE - 2 THESS. 1:7-9
LYING - REV. 21:8

DECEITFUL - 2 COR. 11:3

DENIER - GEN. 3:1-4

THIEF - LK. 8:12

LIAR - JO. 8:44-45



THE WHOLE ARMOR

- The armor reminds us that our hope for victory rests in the character of God. We do not fight alone or in our power. God fights for us.
- 1. Behind the belt of truth stands the God of truth.
- 2. Behind the breastplate of righteousness stand the God of righteousness.
- 3. Behind the shoes of the gospel of peace stands the God of peace.

THE WHOLE ARMOR

- 4. Behind the shield of faith stands the God who is faithful.
- 5. Behind the helmet of salvation stands the God of salvation.
- 6. Behind the word of God stands the God of the Word

FOUR WEAPONS FOR SPIRITUAL WARFARE

- 1. The Word of God – Hebrews 4:12
 - 2. The authority to bind and loose – Mt. 16:19
 - 3. The name of Jesus – Philippians 2:9-11
 - 4. The blood of Jesus – Revelation 12:11
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God is up to something
or the devil wouldn't be
fighting you this hard.
You're going to WIN!

Spiritual Inspiration

SWORD SCRIPTURES TO FIGHT THE DEVIL

- Psalm 91:10
 - Isaiah 54:14
 - 1 John 4:4
 - Psalm 56:11
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SWORD SCRIPTURES TO FIGHT THE DEVIL

- Psalm 27:1
- Romans 8:31
- Proverbs 18:10
- ***One edge of the sword is used to fight off what you desire. The other edge is use to acquire what you desire.***

Take captive

EVERY

THOUGHT

to make it

obedient

To Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:5

TAKEN CAPTIVE BY OUR INVISIBLE ENEMY

- We keep getting clobbered over the head by the enemy. When people speak negatively, they are taken captive by their own negative words and don't know it.
 - Talking about your misfortune, how bad life is treating you, creates an environment for the enemy with your own words and you are going to live in that environment.
 - Don't talk to God about how big your mountains are, talk to your mountain about how big your God is. Proverbs 18:21
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LOST

CONFUSED

UNSURE

UNCLEAR

PERPLEXED

DISORIENTED

BEWILDERED

TAKE A SPIRITUAL INVENTORY

- What do you not like about your life? Ask yourself what do you keep saying about these things?
 - Decide what it is you desire the most of your life, whether it is a job, prosperity in finances, improved health, salvation for a loved one, companionship, or whatever.
 - Speak the future by speaking the Word of God. Pray and speak as if what you desire is already in your possession. Rom. 4:17; Joel 3:10
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COME IN AGREEMENT WITH GOD

- Pray God's word back to God which means you agree with God. You are believing God and you are coming in harmony with the power of His word.
- I challenge you to get these scriptures burned deep within your heart to where they flow freely from your lips.
- Joshua 1:8

COME IN AGREEMENT WITH GOD

- 3 John 1
 - Deuteronomy 28:8, Deuteronomy 8:18
 - Psalm 37:4
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ARMED AND
DANGEROUS

THE WEAPON OF PRAYER

- God is bigger than any situation you could possible face. It doesn't matter what circumstance you are in, what resources you lack, what your inadequacies are.
- God's word saturated in prayer will give you the victory. You must first conceive and believe God's word in your heart.
- Form God's word by your tongue, speak it out of your mouth in faith, it will become a spiritual force releasing the power of God within you.

SPIRITUAL EXPECTATION

- Expectation is the key to receiving from God.
- Have you noticed that many people don't expect for things to work out. That is because we often times judge our future based on the negatives of the past.
- Many people have been taught to believe in negative outcomes. Hope deferred makes the heart sick. Proverbs 13:12



THE KEYS TO THE KINGDOM

- We should bind the spirit of fear, doubt, poverty, sickness, disease, confusion, and anything that is contrary to the Word of God.
 - We should loose God's perfect will and Holy Spirit to bring confidence, abundance, prosperity, healthy, peace, protection, and harmony into our lives.
 - The Christian life is a battleground not a playground. In the battle we hear the noise but we know that what follows the noise is the sound of victory.
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