

Spírítual Warfare Conference

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> Ephesians 6:10-12 (KJV) [10] Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. [11] Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. [12] For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

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SPIRITUAL WARFARE (HOW TO COMBAT THE ENEMY AND WIN)

Relationship is the key to victory over the enemy. When you know who you are and whose you are, you will walk in the revelation of that power always. This conference is designed to teach you "how to be victorious of the tactics and strategies

Satan banks on us being ignorant of our position and the power we have in Christ as a born again believer. Through the lack of knowledge of the Word of God and not applying spiritual principles to every aspect of our lives, he is able to deceive most people.

HOW TO COMBAT THE ENEMY AND WIN

PRINCIPLE 1: YOU MUST BE A BELIEVER.

Being born again (a believer) is our foundation for victory over the adversary. We are either in Christ or in the devil. We either serve Christ or the devil. There is no middle ground or gray area.

John 3:5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of <u>water</u> and of the <u>Spirit</u>, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

John 3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh; (and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.)

1 Pet 1:23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.

Free from sin. 1 John 3:4-9 (KJV)

[4] Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

[5] And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.

[6] Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.

[7] Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.

[8] He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

[9] Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

1 John 5:18 We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.

Backsliding does not mean there is a break in the relationship (Father to child). Backsliding is a break in fellowship.

Ephesians 2:8-9 (KJV)

⁸ For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: *it is* the gift of God: ⁹ Not of works, lest any man should boast.

PRINCIPLE 2: YOU ARE THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS.

Righteousness is defined as being in right standing with God through the blood of Jesus Christ. We will begin our foundational study for spiritual warfare with understanding righteousness. Often we live beneath the plan that God has for us because we do not understand all that Jesus did for us through His death, burial and resurrection.

We Reign in Life. Romans 5:12-21 (KJV)

[12] Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

[13] (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.[14] Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

[15] But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

[16] And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.

[17] For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of <u>the gift of righteousness</u> shall <u>reign in life by one, Jesus</u> <u>Christ.</u>)

[18] Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.

[19] For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

[20] Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

[21] That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 (KJV)

[17] Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

[18] And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation;

[19] To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation.

[20] Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

[21] For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

The free gift of righteousness has put us in right standing with God. We are no longer governed by Satan. We are no longer in the enemy's camp or part of his crew. We belong to the Most High God and we are equipped to take our rightful place in the body of Christ as an ambassador of Christ.

PRINCIPLE 3: YOU MUST KNOW WHO YOU ARE IN CHRIST JESUS.

When we enter into spiritual warfare, we must know who we are and who gives us the power. First and foremost, we represent Christ. Christ lives in us and it is He who does the work.

Galatians 2:20-21 (KJV)

²⁰ I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but <u>Christ liveth in me</u>: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

²¹ I do not frustrate the grace of God: for <u>if righteousness *come* by the law</u>, then Christ is dead in vain.

Christ did not die in vain and He has endued us with power to be victorious. The same power that He had in the earth is in you and me today. We are not servants to sin and we are no longer under Satan's command.

You are Jesus' friend. John 15:13-17 (KJV)

^[13] Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. ^[14] Ye are my friends, **if** ye do whatsoever I command you.

^[15] Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

^[16] Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that **whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.**

^[17] These things I command you, that ye love one another.

When Jesus ministered, He stated in John 14:10-14 (KJV) that God did the works or was at work in Him.

¹⁰ Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

¹¹ Believe me that I *am* in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

¹² Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater *works* than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

¹³ And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

¹⁴ If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do *it*.

As a Believer, we have been given a work to do. It is the same work that Jesus did in the earth. We must demonstrate the power of God at work in our lives. The type of works that Christ did was miracles, signs, and wonders.

Jesus life was to provide a door for us to access the power of God and not live a defeated life. In John 10:9-10 (KJV), Jesus stated:

[9] I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture.

[10] The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

Having life more abundantly is what Satan is trying to prevent us from obtaining. However, if we get a complete understanding of who we are in Christ Jesus and what His redemption has provided, we will reign in life victorious. Jesus restored us to our rightful place of dominion as established in **Genesis 1:26-28 (KJV)**²⁶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have <u>dominion</u> over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

²⁷ So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

²⁸ And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have **dominion** over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. Dominion-H7287- radah raw-daw a primitive root; to *tread* down, i.e. *subjugate*; specifically to *crumble* off :- (come to, make to) have dominion, **prevail** against, reign, (bear, make to) **rule, (-r, over**), take. Strong's Talking Greek & Hebrew Dictionary.

This foundation is the beginning of us having dominion and reigning as kings and priests in this life time.