

The Believer's Warfare, Part 2

(Ephesians 6:10-13)

I. Our Armor

- A. God's strength is the resource. (1Cor. 10:12; Eph. 6:10)
- B. We must put the armor on.(Eph. 6:11)
 - 1. Sin in our lives gives an advantage to the Devil.
 - 2. Any little sin gives Satan a foothold and from the foothold he cracks open a grand entrance for his demonic efforts.
- C. Satan is strong, but God is stronger, so ultimately we win the war.
- D. But we keep losing battles along the way because we're not willing to put on the armor.

II. Our Adversary (Eph. 6:12)

- A. The enemy is Satan and his forces .(Eph. 6:12)
 - 1. The world is going the way the it is because of demonic influence.
 - 2. The culmination of this in Revelation 18 as a system known as "mystery Babylon," which is to be destroyed when Jesus comes to set up His kingdom.
- B. Satan is a lying, powerful, supernatural enemy, and that's where the battle lies.

III. Our Awareness

- A. If our strength is in the Lord, and we have all the armor available, and if the enemy is that powerful, then put on your armor. (Eph. 6:13)
- B. The more we stand for Christ in the world, the hotter the battle is going to get.
- C Satan will be attacking you constantly if you are living for God.
- D. If you're going to stand you've got to have the armor on. (Eph. 6:14-17)
- E. But even when the armor is on, we're dependent on God. (Eph. 6:18)
- F. We must covenant together to pray for each other.
 - 1. Instead of praying to God to repair bodies we ought to pray to God to give strength to spirit and souls.
 - 2. If we would begin a network of prayer for each other that we would stand firm in the strength of God, God will hear and answer our prayer.
- G. If we're willing to fight the battle the way God wants it fought and willing to pay the price, God will give us victory that will give us a joy that we've never known.

VI. Conclusion

- A. So many people don't understand that this is a war.
- B. When the final gun goes off, it's all over.
- C. How you fought will be in the record.
- D. Ask God to give you His strength to win.