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## **Spiritual Warfare**

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“But the time is coming—indeed it’s here now—when true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth. The Father is looking for those who will worship him that way. For God is Spirit, so those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth.” (John 4:23-24)

“And they have defeated him by the blood of the Lamb and by their testimony. And they did not love their lives so much that they were afraid to die. Therefore, rejoice, O heavens! And you who live in the heavens, rejoice! But terror will come on the earth and the sea, for the devil has come down to you in great anger, knowing that he has little time.” (Revelation 12:11-12)

God has been dealing with me about writing on spiritual warfare. Let me be honest, I really don’t want to write on this subject. I know that when you write on this subject you must be prayed up. I tell the Lord, “I have been there and I have the t-shirt and some scars to prove it.” I cannot get away from writing about this subject.

God is a Spirit and if God is a spirit then Satan must be a spirit also. I have no doubt about this statement. Our battle that we are fighting in our nation today is a spiritual battle. This battle is getting more intense every day. The reason is in the verse in Revelation. Satan knows that his time is short and he wants to take all the souls that he can with him.

I just read that the rioters in Portland are taking over the building where the mayor lives and asking that they resign. The mayor has given them all they wanted. She has told them they can take over the city. This is a good example of how Satan works. You give him a little and he wants more and more until you have sold your soul to Satan. We must stand up and fight. We must fight with the weapons of God. This is a spiritual battle not a physical battle. This is one of the best examples of sin. You start out with just one small sin and it builds until you have given it all to Satan.

The question is how do we fight? How do we fight something that we cannot see with our physical eyes, we fight it in the spiritual world? In the 1980’s we lived in Colorado Springs. We were on staff with a church. Shortly after we started God started telling us that we needed to pray, not just a little bit, but we needed to have major prayer. The staff started praying every day at lunch. We found out where the occult was meeting and God told us to go pray in that location against the occult. We obeyed God and we started seeing results of our prayers. During this time, we saw people saved out of the occult. We even had people calling the church telling us that we needed to stop praying. We were winning the battle against Satan by prayer. During that time, I fought some of the hardest spiritual battles that I have ever fought, but I won.

“A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on all of God’s armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

Therefore, put on every piece of God’s armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm. Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God’s righteousness. For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared. In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil. Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.” (Ephesians 6:10-18) Before you start this battle be sure that you are prayed up and that you have on your armor. Stay tuned I will be writing more on spiritual warfare.

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