

## Monday

## We Have Weapons

God says that we have weapons in this warfare that are “*not carnal, but mighty*” (2 Cor 10:4)

**Look up** Ephesians 6:13-18 Here in this passage we discover the arsenal that is available for us to use against our enemy.

1. Having your loins girt about with \_\_\_\_\_  
In this day, the soldier would have a leather belt on which all of his other weapons would hang. If we do not begin with Truth, then our other weapons are useless.
2. The Breastplate of \_\_\_\_\_.  
That is the righteousness of Jesus Christ.
3. The Gospel of \_\_\_\_\_.  
Our feet shod – We must be ready always to give the Gospel message. We defeat Satan by bringing others into the family of God.
4. The Shield of \_\_\_\_\_  
Faith is believing God and His promises. We defend against Satan’s weapon of doubt by standing firm on God’s promises. (We must therefore learn God’s promises!)
5. The Helmet of \_\_\_\_\_  
A Spiritual battle cannot be won by one who is in the flesh. We first need Salvation and the indwelling Spirit.
6. The Sword of the \_\_\_\_\_  
We must learn the word of God and love it! When Jesus faced Satan in the wilderness, he answered every attack with the word of God.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Always  
We must spend time with God in prayer. The Bible says the *effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.*  
James 5:16

## Tuesday – Self Check!

1. What is the chief force against Satan?
2. What 3 things might Satan use to cause division?
3. What are 2 other enemies besides the Devil?
4. What must we do BEFORE we resist the Devil?

## We Are Engaged in Spiritual Warfare



### Scripture Memory

“2 Corinthians 10:4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;”

## Thursday

Did you know that when you became a Christian, you also enlisted as a soldier to fight in a spiritual war? There is an ever present battle taking place around us each and every day. Satan and his devils desire your spiritual demise. These forces of spiritual wickedness will do all they can to tempt, accuse and deceive you, ultimately preventing you from obeying the Lord.

**Look up** Ephesians 6:12

**Q.** What does this verse tell us we are *wrestling* against?

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**Look up** 1 Timothy 6:12

**Q.** This verse says to \_\_\_\_\_ the good \_\_\_\_\_ of faith.

**Look up** 2 Timothy 2:4

**Q.** According to this verse, what does he that wars, not do?

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It is clear that we are engaged in a spiritual fight. The Christian who does not recognize this battle, is sure to become a casualty of it! We must learn that we are soldiers, that we have an army, that we have weapons and a captain who leads us.

Many Christians are living defeated lives because they have given in to the temptation of the devil, they have believed his accusations or have fallen prey to his deception. We must learn to successfully wage this spiritual war!

## Friday

## *We Have An Army*

In our warfare, our captain is Jesus Christ. In this warfare, we have an army. This army consists of more than individual Christians.

**Look up** Matthew 16:18

**Q.** Against what did Christ say the gates of Hell would not prevail?

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The chief force in this spiritual battle is the local church, with Christ as it's head. Knowing this, we should endeavor as a church to maintain a strong spirit of unity.

**Look up** 1 Corinthians 1:10

Paul told the Corinthians to speak \_\_\_\_\_.

He told them there should be no \_\_\_\_\_.

That they should be \_\_\_\_\_ joined together.

That they should have the \_\_\_\_\_ mind and judgment.

As an army fighting a spiritual battle for God, we must guard ourselves against the attacks of Satan. He will faithfully seek to use character flaws, circumstances and conflicts within the church to cause divisions among us, and therefore rendering us powerless.

**Look up** 1 Peter 3:8-9 (note: the context is regarding Christians interacting with each other)

**Q.** How are we not to answer evil against us? \_\_\_\_\_

**Q.** How are we not to answer railings (slander)? \_\_\_\_\_

As an army for God, we must protect our unity. We must recognize the attacks of Satan, and give him no place in our dealings with each other.



**Q. Think of a conflict you've had with a fellow Christian. What could you have done to better reflect the verses above?**

## Saturday

## *We Have an Enemy*

Our chief enemy in this battle is the Devil. He also has two other enemies standing by, which he frequently uses to his benefit – the world and the flesh.

**Look up** Ephesians 6:12

We are fighting against the \_\_\_\_\_ of the darkness of this world.

**Look up** 1 Peter 5:8 This verse tells us 3 things about our enemy.

1. It tells us his **Identity** "Our adversary \_\_\_\_\_"

2. It tells us his **Desire** "Seeking whom he may \_\_\_\_\_"

3. It tells us our **Defense** "Be \_\_\_\_\_ Be \_\_\_\_\_"

We must never forget that Satan is a real being. He knows he is a defeated foe, and therefore desires to take as many Christians down with him. We must be watchful and recognize his attempts at influencing us.

**Look up** James 4:7 This verse tells us how to deal with the Devil.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ yourselves therefore to \_\_\_\_\_.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ the devil, and he will flee from you

It is not enough to simply try to resist the devil, we must first submit ourselves to God in obedience. It is through His word in our lives that we can resist the devil. Sheer willpower will never work. We can't use fleshly tools to win a spiritual battle!

**Look up** Eph. 4:27 Neither \_\_\_\_\_ to the devil.

We must avoid any situation which may allow the Devil to gain a foothold in our lives. Especially areas in which we know our flesh is weak.



**Q. Have you ever faced a trial or temptation where you recognized Satan at work?**