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It is common for us to suffer from anxiety or depression when confronted with a situation in life that we cannot fix. We may try everything we can, but the problem is still around us, and it seems like it's heavier. Family and Friends do not understand. Eventually, you begin to feel disappointed and believe the world is caving in around you. Are you fighting spiritual warfare?

Why blame it on the job, a friend, or a family member, when we are engaged in spiritual warfare? In our daily lives, we encounter many situations that cause us to experience stress, anxiety, depression, and even suicide. God created man in his image through Adam and Eve. However, sin came along, because of disobedience through Adam and Eve. Many people worldwide experience anxiety and fear. When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Jesus came into the world to take away sin. He died on the cross and was resurrected from the grave.

He gave life so that we can become children of God. We will inevitably face different situations in our lives when dealing with spiritual warfare. Satan came to deceive many men and women.

You see all sins ultimately lead to death when sinners repent and receive Jesus Christ, you will receive the greatest gift of God, eternal life (**John 3:16**) (**Romans 6:23**). KJV: *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord*

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." (**Ephesians 6:12**) KJV.

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"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly." (**John 10:10**) KJV.

Christians must fight spiritual warfare to maintain this powerful way of life. We can stand on an excellent foundation that God provides.

We read through the scriptures and we see where God tells us to fight the battle that has been waged against us.

2 Corinthians 10:4 *“For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds.”* Satan is trying to pull down your mind. You must use the power of God; you will be able to defeat any opponent that is trying to hinder you from receiving the blessings of God. As the Apostle Paul teaches, Satan is the Devil, which represents the darkness of this world.

1 Peter 5:8 (KJV) *“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour.”* trying in many ways to devour the Christian.

The Bible tells Christians to put on the full armor of God (**Ephesians 6:13**). Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

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Ephesians 6:16. *Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.*

We encourage you to pray to your Heavenly Father, and let Jesus in your heart, Jesus will be your shield and guide. Gather your family around you to pray together, God will protect you any moment, minute, or second of the day.

This will help them to fight the enemy, and teach them how to communicate with God and make sure they have the covering of God around them. This is shield of protection. Using this protection, God’s people can be protected from the wicked enemy that is out to destroy you and others.

The Lord promises in **Ephesians 6:8** (KJV) *“Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.”*



By
Dr. Lorraine Crawford

Spiritual Warfare The Pulling Down of Strongholds

By Sister Shirley Jones



Spiritual warfare is a sanctified concept of fighting against the work of evil forces. It is based upon the biblical belief in evil spirits; demons that are noticeable who intervened in human affairs in various ways.

It takes a bonus action to cast out and lasts one minute. When you cast the spirits out, you create a special weapon within sixty feet of you and can make a spiritual attack against an evil spirit within five feet of the weapon performed by God in the name of Jesus. It can pull down strongholds and move mountains out of your spiritual way. **II Corinthians 10:4**; *our weapons are not carnal but mighty through God.*

Prayer is our weapon concerning strongholds.

The awesome power of prayer that we don’t ever want to neglect. A consistent prayer life will set a spiritual covering. It’s a spiritual covering. It’s a spiritual sword. (**Ephesians 6:17**)

Prayer is the key to pulling down strong strongholds. “We thank God for the power of pulling down strongholds.

Hallelujah to our Holy God is the name of Jesus Christ.

**The Sword of the Spirit
is the Word of God**



Sister Shirley Jones

Spiritual Warfare



By
Bishop Marty Alexander

Some people would give everything they have for religious authority, political authority, or even the authority that comes with fame. Athletes draw from a physical authority, while great minds lean on the authority of the intellectual realm.

Rich people glean from their financial authority, and the people of the world cannot help but depend on their natural authority. Although spiritual authority is the greatest, it often takes the back burner in the minds of men for the more obvious realms of authority.

Spiritual things must be spiritually discerned! Intellect, science, or anything that we can relate to in the natural will only distort a clear view of what is going on in the spirit realm. We discern things spiritually by knowing them through our spirit man and not through our natural man. **First Corinthians 2:14** says that the natural man cannot relate to the things of the spirit.

Each person who receives salvation by Baptism and receiving the Holy Ghost possesses a very powerful tool. This tool was given to us when Jesus conquered the grave. This tool is called Spiritual Authority and it is the key to the kingdom of God.

Keys represent authority. I have keys to several doors. I can unlock them all because I have the authority to do so. A door is meant to be a barrier, but if you possess the key the barrier no longer hinders you.

As Christians, we possess the key to the kingdom of God which means we have authority over everything that would hinder us. That means we have authority over the enemy. Nothing that the enemy of my soul throws at me or puts in my way can deter me or slow me down or cause me to give up.

Why? Because I have the key of authority and that authority is the power of God that raised Jesus Christ from the grave.

Young people today are dealing with much depression and feelings of despair. As adults it is our responsibility to help, instruct and train them to exercise "Spiritual Authority" Aside from praying, fasting and confessing God's Word, we can also use Gratitude as a tool against the ravaging attacks of the enemy.

Colossians 3:17 And Be Ye Thankful!

Each one of us is overwhelmingly blessed, we have so much to be thankful for, and we owe it to ourselves to remember that! We must reject (take authority over) the cynicism and immature ungrateful culture. Everyone has something to complain about, however, when we manifest a thankful spirit, you render the influence of Satan in our life useless.

God is calling us to **"a LIFETIME OF GRATITUDE!"**

To be **HABITUALLY GRATEFUL!**
Our **ABIDING MINDSET.**
Our **DEFAULT OUTLOOK.**

Not something that we have to **GENERATE** or keep **TALKING OURSELVES INTO!**

Every moment we are alive we have something to be **GRATEFUL** for! Saints who have eternal life have a reason for **GRATITUDE BECAUSE OF CALVARY, YOU HAVE A REASON FOR AN OVERWHELMING, UNENDING FLOOD OF JOY AND GRATITUDE!**

This attitude defeats the enemy every time. This is real Spiritual Authority.

I'm just grateful that I won't spend **ETERNITY SEPARATED FROM GOD AND ALL THE SAINTS. THAT I WON'T EXPERIENCE ETERNAL PAIN AND REGRET AND UTTER HOPELESSNESS!!**



As the coming of the Lord draws near, the spiritual battle between good and evil is heating up. We must be prepared for the spiritual warfare that is already escalating around us as we draw closer to the Saints' final days on earth. **Take heed for this is real spiritual warfare.** The stakes are high. If you miss the great catching up (Rapture) after being brought with the blood of the Lamb, you will be required to shed your own blood during the Great Tribulation to be caught up.

Now more than ever, it is imperative to equip ourselves with God's truth so that we can stand strong as a beacon of light in the gross darkness that has covered the earth.

Evidence can be seen all around us that we are in intensified warfare. Godly values such as honesty, purity, and integrity have become just a lovely song, a thing of the past. We are overshadowed by corruption, drugs, shootings, suicides, wars, false prophets, and spiritual wickedness in high places just to name a few. All aimed to wear down the saint's spiritual, emotional, and physical life.

Satan attempts to come in as a roaring lion. Understanding "as" a roaring lion is not the same as "is" a roaring lion. In other words, he ain't got no teeth, just a roar. He comes in through the ear, eye, and mouth gates that have been left cracked or opened. The enemy is on the move knowing his time is short.

However, The Good News is that our great God the Creator of the Universe is on the move too. He has equipped us with all we need to be victorious.

Remember, He is omniscient (all-knowing), omnipotent (all-powerful), and omnipresent (present everywhere at the same time). It is high time to awake out of sleep and unleash God's power, goodness, grace, and mercy.

How? By walking in the authority given to us by our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This is a season that people are lukewarm; ever learning but never coming into the knowledge of the truth.

They refuse to endure sound doctrine, running after teachers based solely on their lusts and disregarding the godly's counsel. They blatantly reject God's Word having itching ears to embrace a lie rather than the truth.

We can no longer sit by idly with our arms crossed while the enemy makes havoc. It's time to stand up and fight clothed in the full armor of God. Redeeming the time for the days is evil.



By
Sis. Peggy Stewart

Preparing for Spiritual Warfare



First of all, we must identify what spiritual warfare is as a proactive approach to our faith. We actively resist the devil when his hosts harass us. We actively pursue spiritual disciplines that will make us stronger and better prepared. We actively engage the enemy when people are in spiritual bondage.

What makes a person successful in spiritual warfare first we must be born again baptized in the Holy Spirit in Jesus' name: **Acts 2:38**, and we must examine ourselves of our past sins and trespasses.

We must have Endurance **2 Timothy 2:3** Thou, therefore, endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. And to withstand hardship, adversity, or stress.

We must have a hatred for evil and evil spirits. **Psalm 139:22** I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them, my enemies.

We need Knowledge of the word **2 Corinthians 2:11** Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices.

We must use Separation **2 Timothy 2:14** Amplified Bible an Unashamed Workman.

Remind the people of these facts, and solemnly charge them in the presence of God to avoid petty controversy over words, which does no good, and [upsets and undermines and] ruins [the faith of] those who listen.

We must utilize prayer as a weapon to penetrate strongholds that cannot be reached in any other way. Spiritual warfare is the putting aside of passive attitudes toward faith that keep us from commitment and cause us to pursue only those things that will benefit us.

Instead of seeking our own agenda, we submit our will to God and accept the sacrifices He calls us to make.

There are two important revelations every believer needs an understanding of power and an understanding of authority. We received power through the Holy Spirit Acts 1:8 The power believers receive from the Holy Spirit includes courage, boldness, confidence, insight, ability, and authority. The disciples would need all these gifts to fulfill their mission.

In spiritual warfare, it is very important to also know and to have to cover God gives us cover. Psalm 140:7 O God the Lord, the strength of my salvation, thou hast covered my head in the day of battle.

By
Minister Cornell Lyles





Spiritual Warfare Scriptures

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 **Amplified Bible**

³For though we walk in the flesh [as mortal men], we are not carrying on our [spiritual] warfare according to the flesh *and* using the weapons of man. ⁴The weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood]. Our weapons are divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. ⁵*We are* destroying sophisticated arguments and every exalted *and* proud thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God, and *we are* taking every thought *and* purpose captive to the obedience of Christ,

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 **Living Bible**

³It is true that I am an ordinary, weak human being, but I don't use human plans and methods to win my battles. ⁴I use God's mighty weapons, not those made by men, to knock down the devil's strongholds. ⁵These weapons can break down every proud argument against God and every wall that can be built to keep men from finding him. With these weapons I can capture rebels and bring them back to God and change them into men whose hearts' desire is obedience to Christ.

Ephesians 6:10-12 **Amplified Bible**

The Armor of God

¹⁰In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [draw your strength from Him and be empowered through your union with Him] and in the power of His [boundless] might. ¹¹Put on the full armor of God [for His precepts are like the splendid armor of a heavily-armed soldier], so that you may be able to [successfully] stand up against all the schemes *and* the strategies *and* the deceits of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against flesh and blood [contending only with physical opponents], but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this [present] darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly (supernatural) *places*.



Ephesians 6:10-12

GOD'S WORD Translation

Put On All the Armor That God Supplies

¹⁰ Finally, receive your power from the Lord and from his mighty strength. ¹¹ Put on all the armor that God supplies. In this way you can take a stand against the devil's strategies. ¹² This is not a wrestling match against a human opponent. We are wrestling with rulers, authorities, the powers who govern this world of darkness, and spiritual forces that control evil in the heavenly world.

Ephesians 6:10-12

Living Bible

¹⁰ Last of all I want to remind you that your strength must come from the Lord's mighty power within you. ¹¹ Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand safe against all strategies and tricks of Satan. ¹² For we are not fighting against people made of flesh and blood, but against persons without bodies—the evil rulers of the unseen world, those mighty satanic beings and great evil princes of darkness who rule this world; and against huge numbers of wicked spirits in the spirit world.

Ephesians 6:14-18

Living Bible

¹⁴ But to do this, you will need the strong belt of truth and the breastplate of God's approval. ¹⁵ Wear shoes that are able to speed you on as you preach the Good News of peace with God. ¹⁶ In every battle you will need faith as your shield to stop the fiery arrows aimed at you by Satan. ¹⁷ And you will need the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit—which is the Word of God. ¹⁸ Pray all the time. Ask God for anything in line with the Holy Spirit's wishes. Plead with him, reminding him of your needs, and keep praying earnestly for all Christians everywhere.

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