

SPIRITUAL WARFARE, Part 1

Ephesians 6:10-12 Steve Holdaway, LifeSpring Church, 04.07.19

Big Idea: Your battles are ultimately spiritual in nature, and spiritual battles require spiritual warfare.

BE STRONG. (10)

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

Stand in the Lord. Stand away from worldliness. Ephesians 4:27: Do not give the devil a stronghold.

BE ON GUARD. (11)

...that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

BE WISE. (12)

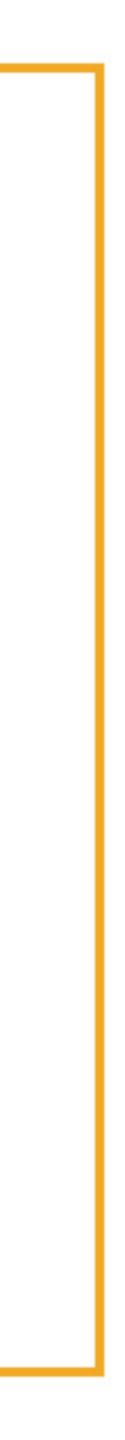
¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Be wise: You're going to have to wrestle. Be wise: You're not wrestling against people.

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. James 4:7

For next Sunday, meditate on Ephesians 6:13-24.

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...and that they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

2 Tim 2:26



THE BIG IDEA

Your battles are ultimately spiritual in nature, and spiritual battles require spiritual warfare.



Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

Ephesians 6:10-11

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Ephesians 6:12

BE STRONG (10) Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

Do not give the devil a stronghold.

Ephesians 4:27

TWO QUESTIONS:

1. Am I being entertained by sin?

2. Does this draw me closer to God or draw me away from God?



But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: "Be holy, because I am holy."

1 Peter 1:15-16

BE ON GUARD (11) ...that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

How does he lie?

How is the devil a murderer?

BEWISE (12)

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