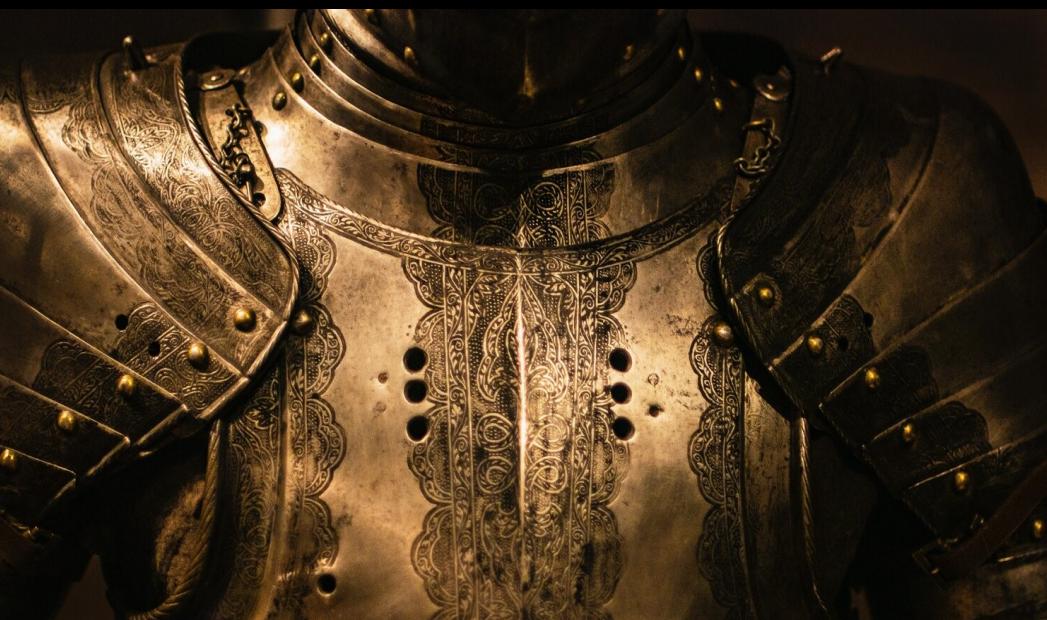


The Fight

Winning The Battle That Matters

Discussion Guide



"FINALLY, BE STRONG IN THE LORD AND IN HIS MIGHTY POWER. PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD SO THAT YOU CAN TAKE YOUR STAND AGAINST THE DEVIL'S SCHEMES."

EPHESIANS 6:10-11



Dear "Fight Club" members,

Wake up! You are under attack! There is a cosmic war lurking underneath the surface of the visible world. The fact that you are God's child puts you right in the middle of the battle. You can pretend it doesn't exist. You can run in fear. You can shrug off your responsibility. You can even surrender to the enemy. But God is looking for those who will have the courage and wisdom to **STAND AND FIGHT!**

This guide is designed around a series of messages called "The Fight". The purpose of the series is to alert, inform, and equip the believer to prepare and engage in the spiritual battle raging around us everyday.

In this study we will discover some bad news: the battle is real and we are up against a formidable foe seeking to destroy us. We will also discover some good news: because of Christ, the believer has the power, strategy, and weapons needed to stand and win "The Fight". My prayer is that you will have a clearer picture of what is at stake so that you will quickly choose the winning side, adopt God's plan to overcome, and win the battle that matters.

How to get the most from this study:

1. Attend or watch the sermon online each week
www.gatewaybible.org/sermons-recent/
2. Complete the "Fight Club" questions in this booklet.
3. Form or join a "Flight Club" group (this can be family/friends or Life Group members—others fighting the battle with you).
4. Watch for life-altering encounters with God as you commit yourself to prepare and engage in "The Fight".

Suited and Booted!

Ron Marsh, Adult Pastor

"Finally, be Strong in the Lord and in His mighty power."
Ephesians 6:10

Week 1: Wake Up! The Battle is Real!

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood..."

Ephesians 6:10-12

1. When you think of a spiritual battle what comes to mind?

2. If you knew you were in a battle and that your enemy wanted to take you out, what additional information would you want to know?

3. When it comes to the cosmic unseen war, there is no middle ground. You are either on one side or the other. Whose side do you think you are on? How is this displayed in your life?

4. Satan's mission is destruction, not recognition. He is a hunter and like a hunter he doesn't want you to see him. Ron said "evidence of the demonic is often in the rearview mirror of your life". Where in your past have you seen evidence of Satan at work?

5. Satan's titles reveal Satan's tactics and targets. (See Appendix A.) What areas of our culture have you seen his influence? What areas in your life do you suspect that you have bought in to his deceptions?

6. How is our enemy described in the Bible? See Isaiah 14:12-15, Ezekiel 28, John 8:44, 1 Peter 5:8-9? What do those things tell you about him?

7. Do you have a greater tendency to ascribe too much or too little credit to the enemy? What steps do you need to take in order to bring balance to your thinking?

8. Review Appendix A and the way the enemy attacks the Church and God's people. Identify an area where you find yourself doing regular battle (struggling/wrestling). Confess it to God and share with another person in your "Fight Club". Pray and agree together to surrender whatever battle you are in knowing Christ has already won.

Week 2: Your Mind Is the Battlefield

"The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ." 2 Corinthians 10:4-5

1. Describe a life experience that involved changing your mind. What were the benefits/disadvantages you experienced as a result of changing your mind?
2. Why do you think it's easier to notice "stinking thinking" in others rather than yourself? What do you do to combat your own "stinking thinking"?
3. Discuss the ways in which we open ourselves up to the schemes of the enemy when it comes to our thinking. (influences, cultural issues, etc.)
4. Read Romans 12:1-2 and 2 Corinthians 10:3-5. What are we asked to do? What are we promised in return?
5. Satan's strategies to distract and destroy you come in two forms; temptation and deception. How does he try to shape your thinking using these strategies?
6. During an average day, do you tend to believe your way to your feelings or feel your way to your beliefs? What would your spouse, friends or co-workers say?
7. What strategies do we have available to combat the enemy's effort to shape our thinking and capture our emotions?
8. Read Philippians 4:8-9 and Hebrews 4:12. Consider your thinking. What recurring thought have you had that contains a lie? What scriptural truth speaks directly to that thought? Remember A.I.R.—Arrest—Identify—Replace.
9. On your own or as a group, review Appendix C "Transformed Mind" and Appendix D "Thought Audit". Share a thought, or pattern of thought, you'd like to change. Pray that God will help you to "stand and fight".

Week 3: Be Prepared

"Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace." Ephesians 6:13-15

Knowing (being aware) is half the battle. Being prepared is wise (putting knowledge into practice)!

1. As you think about the invisible war around you, what questions do you have? What is most concerning to you?

2. Paul urgently commands us using a metaphor of Roman armor to "pick up and put on", a conscious, vigorous and decisive act, the full armor in order to take our stand against the enemy's attacks. What does the picture of armor bring to mind for you?

3. Can you think of a time when the enemy exploited you at your most vulnerable moments when you were least prepared? What did those moments look like? How can those past experiences help you for the future?

4. Paul refers to the Spiritual Armor as a way of living rather than a checklist to complete. What does it mean for you to "take your stand and fight"?

5. Belt of Truth: Satan's first attack on mankind was deception. The "belt of truth" is wrapped around your core. What does it look like for you to live in truth? How do you respond when God or someone else points out the truth? What does the Bible say is true about you?

6. Breastplate of Righteousness: Satan not only deceives but he accuses, bringing guilt and condemnation. Ultimately, our righteousness is in Christ and what He has done. However, when we willfully turn away from what we know is God's will, we open ourselves up to the enemy. What personal area in your life have you intentionally gone against God's will? What can you do to turn back to God?

7. Feet fitted with the Gospel of Peace: Satan specializes in casting doubt trying to undermine the foundation of God's grace—the Gospel. How would you describe the Gospel to someone? What steps can you take to ground yourself more firmly in the Gospel?

Week 4: Fight to Win

"In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Ephesians 6:16-17

1. Have you ever been a victim of spiritual attack? What was going on in your life at the time? How did you respond?
2. Think of a flaming dart that has pierced your life in the past. Which of God's promises could have spared you from the wound you received? (See Appendix C.)
3. Shield of Faith: What are three specific situations to which you need to apply faith today? Which promises of God (see appendix C), would it be appropriate to trust in these situations?
4. The Helmet of Salvation: Protects your mind. Why is God so concerned about protecting your mind or thinking? Why is Satan so concerned about it?
5. What game plan do you need to put into practice in order to fill your mind with the truth? What would your life look like if you considered yourself "dead" and lived only for God and His Glory?
6. The Sword of the Spirit: If someone were to evaluate how well you have mastered your weapon—the Word of God—what would the evaluation say?
7. Read Psalm 119:11. How important is it to know God's word? What steps can you take to sharpen your skills with the sword? Hear, Read, Study, Memorize, Meditate, Apply.
8. Challenge: Find a verse of scripture that applies to your struggle in "The Fight" and commit to memorize this verse.

Week 5: Your Secret Weapon

"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." Ephesians 6:18

1. Why do you think it is such a struggle for most people to pray?

2. Prayer sounds like the furthest thing from a weapon. What if our casual attitudes about prayer only prove Satan's desperate attempts to neutralize the most powerful weapon against him? How would that change your prayer life?

3. If you find it difficult to pray, how would your attitude toward prayer change knowing there is someone opposing you when you pray?

4. Why do you think Satan wants to minimize our prayer life and influence our thoughts about prayer?

5. What can you do in your personal life to increase consistent, intense and strategic prayer?

6. What steps can you take at home and at church to elevate the importance of prayer?

7. What do you think about the quote by Warren Wiersbe "Prayer is the energy that enables the soldier to wear the armor and wield the sword."?

8. Spend time in considering how your prayers can be consistent, intense and strategic. Then take time together or separately to pray strategically over each piece of the armor in your life.

Want to pray? Download GateWay's guide to 21 Days of Prayer <http://tiny.cc/m3t6tz>

Appendix A: Five Basic Truths about Spiritual Warfare

1. There is an unseen world.

The unseen world is just as real as the visible world, and both Old and New Testaments refer to it often. 2 Kings 6:15-19, Daniel 10, Ephesians 6:12

2. We are involved in an unseen war. This cosmic conflict has eternal implications; lives are at stake. 2 Corinthians 10:3-5, 2 Corinthians 4:4

3. Our foe is formidable.

The goal of Satan is to destroy God's people and discredit the work of Christ. 1 Peter 5:8, Jude 9

Is Satan real?

- Biblical authority: Genesis 3:1; 1 Chronicles 21:1; Rev. 12:9.
- The testimony of Christ: Matthew 4:1-11.
- The reality of demons—Satan is their “prince” (Luke 11:15).

Who is Satan?

- A created spirit: Job 1:6; Colossians 1:16.
- An angel: Matthew 25:41; Revelation 12:7.
- A cherub: Ezekiel 28:14.
- The highest of all created beings: Ezekiel 28:14.

Where did he come from?

- Created perfect: Ezekiel 28:12-13.
- Had a heavenly estate: Jude 6.
- A guardian of God’s glory: Ezekiel 28:14.
- The mindset of his sin is power and beauty: Ezekiel 28.
- The nature of his sin is pride: Isaiah 14:13.
- The cause of his sin is personal, free choice: Habakkuk 1:13; James 1:13.

4. We must respect our foe but not fear him. What are Satan's schemes?

Satan's titles reveal his tactics.

- Satan (adversary): Job 1:6-7; 1 Thessalonians 2:18.
- Devil (slanderer): 1 Peter 5:8.
- Lucifer (son of the morning): Isaiah 14:12.
- Beelzebub (lord of the flies): Matthew 12:24.
- Belial (a false god): 2 Corinthians 6:15.
- Evil one: 1 John 5:19.
- Tempter: 1 Thessalonians 3:5.

- Prince of this world: John 12:31.
- Accuser of the brethren: Revelation 12:10.
- Representations include:
 - Serpent: Genesis 3.
 - Dragon: Revelation 12.
 - Angel of light: 2 Corinthians 11:14.

Satan targets God's program, the church, by:

- False philosophies: Colossians 2:8.
- False religions: 1 Corinthians 10:20.
- False ministers: 2 Corinthians 11:14-15.
- False doctrine: 1 John 2:18.
- False disciples: Matthew 13:24–30.
- False morals: 2 Thessalonians 2:7-12.

Satan targets God's people by:

- Directing governments: Daniel 10:13.
- Deceiving people: 2 Corinthians 4:4.
- Destroying lives: Hebrews 2:14.
- Persecuting the saints: Revelation 2:10.
- Preventing service: 1 Thessalonians 2:18.
- Promoting schisms: 2 Corinthians 2:10-11.
- Planting doubt: Genesis 3:1–5.
- Producing sects and cults: 1 Timothy 4:1.
- Provoking sin:

- Anger: Ephesians 4:26-27.
- Pride: 1 Timothy 3:6.
- Worry: Matthew 13:22.
- Self-reliance: 1 Chronicles 21:1.
- Discouragement: 1 Peter 5:6-8.
- Worldliness: 1 John 2:16.
- Lying: Acts 5:3.
- Immorality: 1 Corinthians 5:1-2.

Satan's power is limited.

- He is created, therefore not omniscient or infinite: Colossians 1:6, Job 1:6.
- He can be resisted by the Believer: James 4:7.
- God puts limits on him: Job 1:12.

5. We do not fight for victory; we fight from victory.

1 John 4:4; 1 John 5:4-5; Revelation 12:11; James 4:7

Appendix B: A Transformed Mind

Jesus said, "You shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free." Truth is liberating but believing a lie will affect your life as if it is true even though it is a lie. Read over the following lists of lies and ask the Holy Spirit which lies you are believing. Begin rejecting the lie and agreeing with God concerning the truth. Develop the habit of meditating and thanking God for what He has done for you.

The Lie That Binds You	The Truth That Sets you Free
Christ has set me free, but my past defines me.	Christ has set me free, my past does not define me.
I will never be free.	The Cross has set me free from my past. I am a new creation.
I need to rely on my own understanding.	I need to depend on, and acknowledge God in all His ways.
My Heavenly Father is: Distant and disinterested Insensitive and uncaring Stern or demanding Passive and cold absent Dissatisfied with me A harsh kill joy Controlling and manipulative Condemning or unforgiving	My Heavenly Father is: Intimate and involved Kind and compassionate Accepting and loving Warm and affectionate Always with me Approving and affirming Gentle and protective of me Came to give me full life Full of grace and mercy Tenderhearted and forgiving
What I do determines who I am.	Who I believe I am in Christ motivates my behavior.
I'm a hopeless sinner.	I'm a lover of God who struggles with sin.
I'm an addict.	I'm a child of God who struggles with _____.
I am alone and have to win this battle by myself.	Christ lives in me and is my source of strength.
God doesn't care about my situation or me and is unwilling or unable to do anything about it.	God is the only legitimate person to trust and worship. He loves me and desires my freedom more than I do.
I am at the mercy of Satan, humankind and negative circumstances.	God is in control and working all things together for my good. I have nothing to fear.

The Lie That Binds You	The Truth That Sets you Free
I have a right to fear the future.	By faith I can choose to give all my cares to God and not worry about tomorrow.
Because of what I've done and what was done to me, I'm an addict.	Because of what Christ has done, I'm free from my past and my sins.
I need to make myself worthy.	Christ has already made me worthy.
I need to merit God's acceptance.	God has given me His acceptance.
I need to achieve righteousness.	Christ gives me His righteousness.
If I change my behavior, I'll change who I am as a person.	If I believe the truth of who I am in Christ, my behavior will change.
I am the problem. I need to change who I am.	I have a problem. I need to know the truth to be free.
The answer is: I must find the right program and work it.	The answer starts with believing and receiving what God has done.
It is too much trouble to discipline my mind.	Setting my thoughts on God's truth leads to life and peace.
The battle is external.	The battle is in the mind.
I will grow if I attend church and trust in their programs.	I will grow if I know the truth, walk by faith and surround myself with God's people (the church).
I struggle so much, maybe I'm not saved.	My struggles prove that I am saved. Jesus said, "In this world you will have troubles but, take heart I have overcome the world."
I can't share my struggle with anyone, it would be embarrassing, and they would judge me.	I can share my struggle with a trusted Christian friend because they want the best for me and will accept me with grace.

Renewing our minds frees us to enjoy an intimate relationship with God. Through abiding in His love, we can overcome our addictions to the things of this world. Our need to know and depend on God is ongoing. Anytime we depend on ourselves we become vulnerable to Satan's deception. Believing his lies may affect our performance temporarily, but it does not change who we are or what God has done for us.

Appendix C: Thought Audit—Philippians 4:8-9

1. What is the core thought that's dominating your thinking?
2. Take the thought you are dwelling on and ask...
 - Is this thought true? Is this thought lining up with the facts?
 - Is this thought noble? Is this thought honorable and promoting good character?
 - Is this thought right? Is this thought the best suitable answer for a number of choices?
 - Is this thought pure? Is this thought free from fault or contamination and promoting purity?
 - Is this thought lovely? Is this thought pleasant, beautiful and enjoyable?
 - Is this thought admirable? Is this thought and respectable and promoting a good reputation?
 - Is this thought excellent? Is this thought promoting a life of virtue and goodness?
 - Is this thought praiseworthy? Is this thought worthy of my admiration or the admiration of others?

If you answer “NO” to any of these questions, arrest the thought, take it captive, and restate it to line up with the truth of God’s word.

3. Identify a spiritual truth from God’s word that will demolish your specific strongholds?
4. Daily declare this truth over your life and ask God to destroy the stronghold you’ve identified.

Example: If you struggle with worry: “Because of Christ, I’m not anxious about anything. I cast my cares on God because He cares for me. I have the peace of God dwelling in my heart and ruling my mind.” (Philippians 4:6-7, Ephesians 2:14)

Appendix D: What to Remember About “The Fight”

1. Satan is a defeated foe.

“Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out” (John 12:31).

2. Jesus destroyed the works of the devil.

“[Jesus] canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross. When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display of them, having triumphed over them through Him” (Col. 2:14–15).

3. We are victors in Christ.

“O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; but thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Cor. 15:55–57).

4. We have the power and resources to resist Satan and demonic attacks.

“You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world” (1 John 4:4).

5. We must learn how to put on the full armor of God to experience in daily living the victory we already possess.

“Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the spirit, which is the word of God” (Eph. 6:13–17)

Appendix E: God's Promises

John 14:1 Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.

John 14:7 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

Is. 26:3 You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

2 Timothy 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

Psalm 30:11 You turned my wailing into dancing; you removed my sackcloth and clothed me with joy

Isaiah 61:3 He will bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.

Psalm 30:5 For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime; weeping may stay for the night, but rejoicing comes in the morning.

Psalm 126:5 Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy.

2 Chronicles 20:12 We don't know what to do but our eyes are on you for the Lord can save by many or by few.

Isaiah 59:1 Is His arm too short that he cannot save, is His ear too dull that He cannot hear?

Deuteronomy 28:18 The Lord will make you the head and not the tail...you will always be at the top not the bottom.

Psalm 46:10 Be still, and know that I am God for I will be exalted among the nations.

Romans 15:4 For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

Psalm 1:1-3 Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers, but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night. That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither--whatever they do prospers.

2 Corinthians 5:7 For we live by faith, not by sight.

Psalm 3:6 I will not fear though tens of thousands assail me on every side.

Psalm 34:17-18 The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles. The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

Psalm 147:3 He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

Psalm 84:11 For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

Psalm 144:15 Happy are those people whose God is the Lord, whose hope is in the God of Jacob, whose help comes from the Lord; who made heaven the earth the sea and all that is in them.

Proverbs 3:5&6 Trust in the Lord with all of your heart, lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and he will make your paths straight.

Isaiah 43:2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

Is. 54:17 No weapon formed against you shall prosper, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you.

2 Timothy 2:3 So endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

2 Chronicles 20:15for the battle is not yours, the battle belongs to the Lord.

God's Promises Continued...

Zephaniah 3:17 The Lord your God in the midst of you, He is mighty. He will save.--He will rest in His love. He will rejoice over you with joy. He will rejoice over you with singing.

Joel 2:25 He will restore the years the locust have eaten.

Matthew 28: 20 ...I am with you always even to the end of the age.

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the Lord your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.

Romans 15:13 Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

1 John 5:14-15 This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us--whatever we ask--we know that we have what we asked of him.

2 Corinthians 10:7-9 7 But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us. We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed.

Philippians 1:6 Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

2 Corinthians 2:9 No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what the Lord has in store for those who love Him.

Ephesians 3:20 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us...

2 Peter 1:4 Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

Numbers 23:19 God is not human, that he should lie, not a human being, that he should change his mind. Does he speak and then not act? Does he promise and not fulfill?

2 Corinthians 1:20 For no matter how many promises God has made, they are "Yes" in Christ. And so through him the "Amen" is spoken by us to the glory of God.

Resources

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Apps:

- Shut Up Devil www.shutupdevil.org
- YouVersion Bible www.youversion.com

More Bible Promises:

- www.biblegateway.com/resources/dictionary-of-bible-themes/5467-promises-divine

Prayer:

- Guide to 21 days of Prayer https://gatewaybible.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/PrayFirst_3_2020.pdf
- https://www.navigators.org/topic/prayer/?post_type=resource
- www.prayerprompter.com
- www.pray.com

Books:

Mark I. Bubeck, *The Adversary and Overcoming The Adversary*

Neil Anderson, *The Bondage Breaker: Overcoming Negative Thoughts, Irrational Feelings, Habitual Sins*

Chip Ingram, *The Invisible War, What Every Believer Needs to Know about Satan, Demons, and Spiritual Warfare*

Thomas Brooks, *Precious Remedies Against Satan's Devices*

Charles Kraft, *The Evangelical's Guide to Spiritual Warfare*

C.S. Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*

Tom White, *The Believer's Guide to Spiritual Warfare*

John White, *The Fight: A Practical Handbook of Christian Living*

James Beilby & Paul Eddy, editors, *Understanding Spiritual Warfare: Four Views*

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Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Ephesians 6:10-20

