

“The War You Cannot See”

Mark 9:1-41

Sunday, June 9, 2024

1. Intro

- A. (Eph 6:12) "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places." NKJV
- B. (2 Co 4:3-4) "³ But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, ⁴ whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them." NKJV
- C. (1 Th 5:3-4) "³ For when they say, “Peace and safety!” then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape. ⁴ But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief." NKJV

2. Planning for Victory (1-13)

- A. (Lk 9:30-31) "³⁰ And behold, two men talked with Him, who were Moses and Elijah, ³¹ who appeared in glory and spoke of His decease which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem." NKJV
- B. (Re 11:1-6) "¹ Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, “Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there. ² But leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the Gentiles. And they will tread the holy city underfoot for forty-two months. ³ And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy one thousand two hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth.” ⁴ These are the two olive trees and the two lampstands standing before the God of the earth. ⁵ And if anyone wants to harm them, fire proceeds from their mouth and devours their enemies. And if anyone wants to harm them, he must be killed in this manner. ⁶ These have power to shut heaven, so that no rain falls in the days of their prophecy; and they have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to strike the earth with all plagues, as often as they desire." NKJV
- C. (Jud 9) "⁹ Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, “The Lord rebuke you!”" NKJV

3. Preparing for Victory (14-29)

- A. “Don’t pray when you feel like it. Have an appointment with the Lord and keep it. A man is powerful on his knees.” Anonymous
- B. “This describes most evangelicals today: carnal, immature, without miracles, without wonders, lacking a wonderful sense of the presence of the Lord, held together by social activities and nothing else.” A.W. Tozer

4. Prophesying the Victory (30-32)

- A. (1 Th 4:13) "But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope." NKJV
- B. (1 Co 15:55) "O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?" NKJV

5. The Path to Victory (33-41)