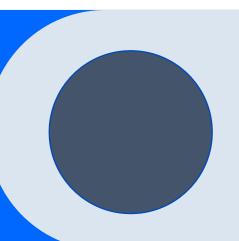


Spiritual Warfare

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1 Speak, O Lord, Your servant listens, Let Your Word to me come near; Newborn life and spirit give me, Let each promise still my fear. Death's dread pow'r, its inward strife, Wars against Your Word of life; Fill me, Lord, with love's strong fervor That I cling to You forever!

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3Lord, Your words are waters living When my thirsting spirit pleads. Lord, Your words are bread life-giving; On Your words my spirit feeds. Lord, Your words will be my light Through death's cold and dreary night; Yes, they are my sword prevailing And my cup of joy unfailing!

Opening Prayer – ML's Morning Prayer

I thank you, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that you would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings of life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your Holy angel be with me that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

- Read John 16:33. What is the message to use
 as children of God?
- Read Mark 6:30-31. What is the rest that we need as we wrestle with the devil?
 - Rest = replenishment
 - To be reminded of who we are and who God is.
 - Our rest comes in a Savior who accomplished everything for us.

- What does this "wrestling" with sin and the devil look like in your life?
- How often does this happen?
- Are you aware of what is going on?
- Does it help knowing who you're wrestling with?
 Why?

Be Self-controlled and alert

- 1 Peter 5:8 through the working of the Holy
 Spirit we can live self controlled lives. Galatians
 5:22
- Ephesians 1:13. Staying in close contact with God's Word.
- Are you doing this? What prevents you from living in His Word? What can you do to change this up?

Cast Your Cares

- Pray. 1 Peter 5:7.
- It's a gift from God meant for our blessing, to give us strength.
- Ephesians 6:18-20. Prayer is a key survival tool for the wrestling that goes on for our soul.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:17. God is "always in the picture" in your life. An intimate dialog with your savior.

Stand Firm

- Stand Firm. 1 Peter 5:9
- "Community" is a blessing for us as we wrestle.
- "Community" is a primary target of satan. In what way does he attack us? How can we battle the evil one? What does this look like here, in our community?

Live in God's Strength and Promise

- 1 Peter 5:10. How was Peter a living example of God's strength and promise?
- How do you make it through you days, weeks and years of your life as a child of God?
- Is God faithful? Are His promises true for you? If you answered "not so much" what is going on?