



SPIRITUAL WARFARE

HOLY BIBLE

John 14:23 (ESV)

“If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.”

Q: Are we willing to be under
God's authority and keep (obey) His word?



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Advancing the Kingdom – Fighting for the lost!

Ephesians 6:18-20 (NLT)

¹⁰ A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power....

¹⁸ Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere. ¹⁹ And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words so I can boldly explain God's mysterious plan that the Good News is for Jews and Gentiles alike. ²⁰ I am in chains now, still preaching this message as God's ambassador. So pray that I will keep on speaking boldly for him, as I should.

1- Our Power Source

¹⁸ Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion.

What does praying in the Spirit look like?

- When we pray guided by Scripture
- When we surrender our will in prayer and invite God's leading
- When our prayers reflect the character and mission of Jesus

The Spirit is Power!

2 – Pray at All Times

¹⁸ Pray in the Spirit **at all times** and **on every occasion**. Stay **alert and be persistent** in your prayers...

- Pray Scripture during temptation; Talk to God often
- Pray when you see needs around you
- Pray before decisions; Pray for discernment

Q: Is prayer a task or a lifestyle?

3 – Stay alert

- ¹⁸ ...**Stay alert** and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.¹⁹ And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words so I can **boldly** explain ...the Good News



Spiritual warfare is
not a solo mission

3a - Stay awake! Mark 13:34-37 (NLT)

³⁴ “The coming of the Son of Man can be illustrated by the story of a man going on a long trip. When he left home, he gave each of his slaves instructions about the work they were to do, and he told the gatekeeper to watch for his return. ³⁵ **You, too, must keep watch!** For you don’t know when the master of the household will return—in the evening, at midnight, before dawn, or at daybreak. ³⁶ **Don’t let him find you sleeping** when he arrives without warning. ³⁷ I say to you what I say to everyone: **Watch for him!**”

What comes after the armor?

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3b - We all have a Kingdom Assignment

¹⁸ Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. ¹⁹ **Therefore, go and make disciples** of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ **Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you.** And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Matthew 28:18-20 (NLT)

Q: Has our love for Jesus grown cold?

Q: Are we so in love with Jesus that we can't stop talking about Him?

Why would our love grow cold?

¹² And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. ¹³ But the one who endures to the end will be saved. ¹⁴ And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

Matthew 24:12-14 (ESV)

Lawlessness (Strong's 458) Greek: anomia:

Rejecting or not submitting to the authority of God

Has our love for the gospel grown cold?

¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a loyal spirit within me. ¹¹ Do not banish me from your presence, and don't take your Holy Spirit from me.

¹² Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and make me willing to obey you.

Psalms 51:10-12 (NLT)



In closing...

- Has our love for Jesus grown cold?
- Are we walking in authority (obedience) to God's word?
- Will we ask God for boldness like Paul? (Courage!)

**Prayer is not
the end of spiritual warfare
It is the battlefield to share the gospel!**