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You And I Are At War – It Is A Spiritual Battle

It Began The Day We You Trusted The Lord As Savior.

This War Affects Every Area Of Your Life

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**(Eph 6:12 NIV)** 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.

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3. We Must Respect Our Foe, But Not Fear Him -- Become Acutely Aware Of His Methods, But Not Be Preoccupied By Them

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**BE AWARE: SATAN'S NAMES REVEAL HIS TACTICS**

- \*Satan (adversary)
- \*Devil (slanderer)
- \*Evil one
- \*Tempter
- \*Prince of this world
- \*Accuser of the brethren



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**BE AWARE: SATAN ATTACKS GOD'S PROGRAM, THE CHURCH:**

- \*False philosophies - Col. 2:8
- \*False religions - 1 Cor. 10:19
- \*False ministers - 2 Cor. 11:14-15
- \*False doctrine - 1 John 2:18
- \*False disciples - Matt. 13
- \*False morals - 2 Thess. 2:7

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- \*Directing governments - Dan. 10:13
- \*Deceiving men - 2 Cor. 4:4
- \*Destroying life - Heb. 2:14
- \*Persecuting the saints - Rev. 2:10
- \*Preventing service - 1 Thess. 2:18
- \*Promoting schisms - 2 Cor. 2:10-11
- \*Planting doubt - Gen. 3:1-2
- \*Provoking sin and Anger - Eph. 4:26-27

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**BE AWARE: SATAN'S POWER IS LIMITED**

- \*He is created, therefore not omniscient or infinite
- \*He can be resisted by the Christian - James 4:7
- \*God places limitations on him - Job 1:12

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**(Col 2:14-15 NIV)** having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. (15) And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

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*1 John 5:4-5 (NIV) (4) for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. (5) Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.*



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*The Weapon: The Blood Of The Lamb*

*(Rev.12:11 NIV) "and they overcame him by the Blood of the Lamb,"*

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*There Is Power In The Blood – It Draws Us Near To God*

Ephesians 2:13 (NIV) (13) But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.



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**Q.** What Is Pleading The Blood ?

**A.** *To Plead Is A Legal Term*

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*The Question: Will We Be Defeated, Found Guilty, Destroyed,  
Sentenced To Death And Defeat?*

*No... Because Our Redemption Has Been Settled Already!*



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Revelation 12:10–12 (NIV) — 10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: “Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God, and the authority of his Messiah. For the accuser of our brothers and sisters, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. 11 They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death. 12 Therefore rejoice, you heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to the earth and the sea, because the devil has gone down to you! He is filled with fury, because he knows that his time is short.”

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**You don't overcome Satan by your tenacity -- YOU OVERCOME HIM BY THE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST.**

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