

Real spiritual warfare

Eph 6:10-18 Wiles – Methodia his methods

- Wrestle – To struggle with Read **Eph 6:12 AMP**
- These things we are wrestling against are in Heavenly places (**vers 12 AMP**) **Eph 6:10-18 TPT**

There are Three heavens. Heaven – **Gen 1:1** plural speaking of more than one (**AMPC**)

- **2Cor 12:2-4** third heavens; If there is a third there must be a 1st and second.
- **Eph 4:10** ascended far above all the heavens. All - means more than two.
 - **1st** heaven visible sun moon stars galaxies. **2nd** heaven a spiritual atmosphere around this earth. **3rd** heaven where God dwells
 - Satan is not in that heaven he was cast out of the first heaven **Lk 10:18; Isa 14:12-14**
 - The war in **Rev 12:7-9** is when Satan will be cast out of second heaven during the middle of the tribulation and will be cast down to the earth.

Between God & us is a hostile kingdom that opposes our approach to God and Gods response to us **Dan 10:12-13**

- In that heaven Satan is the prince of the power of the air **Eph 2:2**
- Our conflict with Satan is in that heaven so we must fight him with heavenly weapons **2Co 10:4**
- He works to resist and hinder our prayers and Gods will. So we must hold fast in prayer **Luk 18:1-8**

Jesus defeated Satan and ascended above all heavens and is Lord in all three realms **Col 1:16; Col 2:15; Eph 3:10** (God is expecting the church to deal with him)

- We have the armor of God in which to combat Satan in that 2nd heaven.

Man is threefold: Spirit; Soul; Body: All three contact one of the three heavens **1Thess 5:23**

- **Spirit** - Gods realm. **Soul** - second heaven Satan's realm. **Body** 1st heaven physical realm

Where there are more people gathered there is more satanic activity

- When God speaks of Babylon He is speaking of a large city population. (290xs) **Rev 18:2-3**
- Satan uses the population that is under his dominion to exercise His will.
 - We are not battling against flesh and blood.

Where God is the strongest at work is where Satan's opposition is the greatest

- His name means opposer or resister. **1Ch 21:1** first time he is mentioned.
- What you carry threatens his domain **1Jn 4:4**
- God in us is greater than those principalities and powers working in the population of these cities.
 - We have the spirit of God dwelling in us and working through us.
 - We are to pull down strongholds cast down imaginations and arguments.

We are not to be overcome by drawing back into darkness, but we are to shine our light brightly Prayer is the means you deal in the second and third heaven.

- Prayer is the means we reach into the third heaven and bring Gods ability into first heaven! **Luk 11:2**
 - Satan is in the second heaven resisting those prayers.
- We are to pray without ceasing **1Th 5:17**
- Prayer is binding the strong man in the second heaven to plunder his goods in the first **Mar 3:27**
- What we bind on earth will be bound in heaven **Mat 16:18-19**