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God's word from Genesis 3:15: Be ready for Christmas by being ready for war



Q1:. What is the war we are in?Q2 What does this war have todo with Christmas?Q3 What is our role in the war?



I. <u>Q1. What is the war we are in?</u>

"I will put <u>enmity</u> between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head and you shall bruise his heel." Genesis 3:15





"None is righteous, no, not one; 11 no one understands; no one seeks for God.12 All have turned aside; together, they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one." Romans 3:10-12





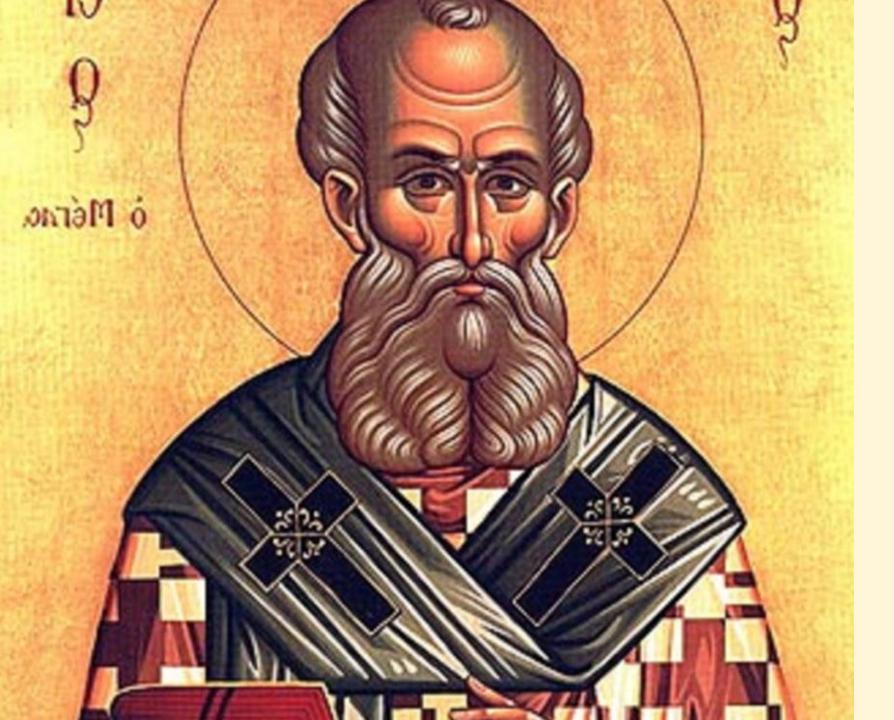
Q2 What does this war have to do with Christmas?

"I will put enmity between you and the woman and between your offspring and her offspring; <u>he</u> <u>shall bruise your head</u>, and you shall bruise his heel."



"And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars.² She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth.³ And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. ⁴ His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. ⁵ She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, ⁶ and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days...⁹ And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him." Revelation 12:1-6, 9 THE COMING KING









Q3. What is our role in the War?

"I will put <u>enmity</u> between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel."



<u>Q3. What is our role in the War?</u>

"The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet." Romans 16:20



Q3. What is our role in the War?

Believe in his promises Fight for his cause



"There will be times when the struggle seems impossible. I know this already. Alone, unsure, dwarfed by the scale of the enemy.... And know this, the day will come when all these skirmishes and battles, these moments of defiance will have flooded the banks of the Empire's authority, and then there will be one too many. One single thing will break the siege."



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"This is a strange Christmas Eve. Almost the whole world is locked in deadly struggle, and, with the most terrible weapons which science can devise, the nations advance upon each other. . . Here, in the midst of war, raging and roaring over all the lands and seas, creeping nearer to our hearts and homes, here, amid all the tumult, we have tonight the peace of the Spirit."

