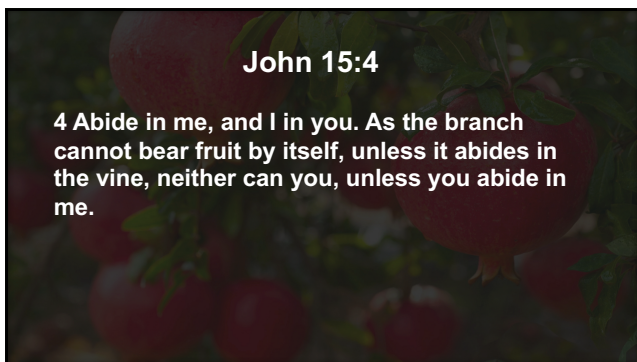
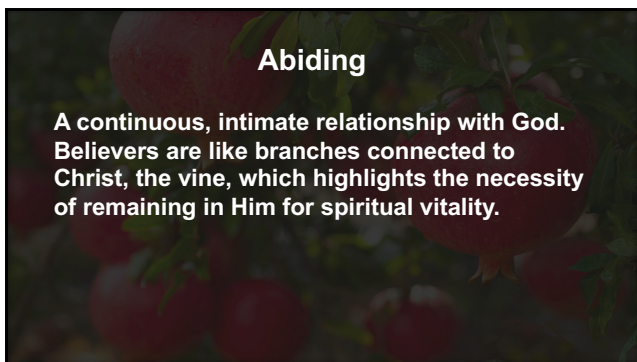




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Peace

quiet rest of spirit and soul nourished by the presence of Christ

Opposites:

Hurried, troubled, anxious, turmoil

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Peace only comes through strength

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Spiritual Warfare, Spiritual Battle

Spiritual Warfare is a contest of will and power between God's people and the forces of darkness. Spiritual warfare is made up of a series of spiritual battles each of which has a specific strategy, theatre, soldiers, weapons and objectives (goals). Our part in the war starts by acknowledging we have an enemy actively fighting against us and then learn how to fight back.

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Two Levels of Satan's Kingdom

Levels	Operations
Upper	Satan and His Fallen Angels, Demons "principalities and powers" Eph 6
Lower	Rebellious People not submitted to God's Government

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Ephesians 6:10-12 KJV

12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood,
but against principalities, against powers,
against the rulers of the darkness of this world,
against spiritual wickedness in high places.

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Hierarchy in the Devil's Kingdom

Principalities	high-ranking evil spirits or demons that exert influence over regions, institutions, and nations. Influence religious, political and economic systems
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Hierarchy in the Devil's Kingdom

Powers

Greek "exousia" is used to denote a specific rank or level within the hierarchy of evil spiritual beings that oppose God's will.

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Powers Cause Evil and Corruption

"Powers" mentioned in Ephesians 6:12 are believed to be responsible for much of the evil, corruption, and moral decay seen in the world. Their influence is pervasive, affecting various aspects of life, including politics, culture, and individual behavior.

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Unseen World of Darkness

Paul is stating that there exists an unseen spiritual world of fallen angels and demons whose leaders/rulers are bent on opposing God and His people

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What were angels created to do?

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Psalm 8:4-6
4 what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? 5 Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. 6 You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,

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Hebrews 1:14
14 Are they [angels] not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

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Jude 1:6

6 And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day

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2 Peter 2:4

4 For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains[b] of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment;

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Colossians 2:15

15 He [Christ] disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

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Acts 19

11 And God was doing extraordinary miracles by the hands of Paul, 12 so that even handkerchiefs or aprons that had touched his skin were carried away to the sick, and their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them.

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Acts 19

13 Then some of the itinerant Jewish exorcists undertook to invoke the name of the Lord Jesus over those who had evil spirits, saying, "I adjure you by the Jesus whom Paul proclaims." 14 Seven sons of a Jewish high priest named Sceva were doing this.

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Observations

1. Paul was performing amazing miracles
2. Ephesus a center for occult practice
3. Sons of Sceva were not disciples but for-hire traveling Jewish exorcists
4. No personal relationship with Christ

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Acts 19

15 But the evil spirit answered them, "Jesus I know, and Paul I recognize, but who are you?"
 16 And the man in whom was the evil spirit leaped on them, mastered all of them and overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

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5. Believers have a spiritual identity
6. Demon empowered strength to completely dominate 7 men

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Demons

Characteristic	Description
Real Personalities	Both will and intelligence
Spirit Beings	Invisible, incorporeal
Satan's Servants	Self-will given over
Numerous	Legion
Symbols	Unclean bird, Locust, Frog

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Demons in the Bible

- 1. Demons are called unclean spirits because they defile people
- 2. Demons can drive people with destructive thoughts/actions
- 3. Demons can create sickness

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Activity of Demons

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| Entice | Deceive |
| Harass | Sick Physically |
| Compel | Sick Emotionally |
| Enslave | Sick Mentally |
| Defile | Sick Spiritually |

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Unmask Demons

- 1. Control senses (hearing, speaking, seeing, feeling, smelling, taste)
- 2. Control movement (cripple, spasms)
- 3. Inflict pain to debase and destroy
- 4. Control over [Intrusive] thoughts

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Acts 19

17 And this became known to all the residents of Ephesus, both Jews and Greeks. And fear fell upon them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was extolled. **18** Also many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices.

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Acts 19

19 And a number of those who had practiced magic arts brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all. And they counted the value of them and found it came to fifty thousand pieces of silver. **20** So the word of the Lord continued to increase and prevail mightily.

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2 Corinthians 10

3 For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. **4** The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.

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War

Greek word **Stratos** where we derive the English word Strategy. Strategy is a plan of action to achieve a major goal.

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Cast Out Demons

1. Strategy of the devil is to lure into dark places
2. Allow the devil no free shots – walk in the light
3. Use your authority in the name of Jesus to cast out demons

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John 14:30

30 I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming. He has no claim on me, 31 but I do as the Father has commanded me, so that the world may know that I love the Father. Rise, let us go from here.

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1 Peter 5:8-9

8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.

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John 15:4

4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.

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