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Our Christian sympathy to Juan Barrientos and Claudia Soto and family on the passing of Claudia's mother, Carmen, on Wednesday, December 20th, at the age of 74. Services took place at 9:30am on Thursday, January 11th, at Funeraria del Angel in Bell, CA.

**Congratulations to proud parents Sean & Angela Hogan, proud big brother Wyatt, proud grandparents Dave & Faith Hogan, and family, on the birth of Holland Grace Hogan on Friday, January 5th, 9:52am CST, at 19.5" long, weighing 6lbs 13 ounces.**

English: 9am 10:30am 12pm 6pm | Spanish: 10:30am 12pm | Nepalese: 9:30am  
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YTD Total: \$41,410.13  
YTD Budget: \$63,195.50

Last Week's Offering: \$41,410.13  
2024 Weekly Budget: \$63,195.50

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# SPIRITUAL WARFARE OVERVIEW

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The battle is on and the battle is real. Unfortunately, most Christians are losing more battles than they are winning. The victories do not have to go to the opposition, but they will continue to until believers learn to fight biblically.

## - Who are our enemies?

The World | John 2:15-17; James 4:4  
The Flesh | Romans 7:15-25; Galatians 5:17  
The Devil | James 4:7-10; I Peter 5:8-9

## - How do they primarily attack Christians?

- **The World:** The world is an organized system in opposition and rebellion against God. I John 2:16 characterizes the world as: The lust of flesh (physical desires), the lust of the eye (beautiful externals) and the boastful pride of life (selfish ambition).

- **The Flesh:** The flesh is represented as an old nature, the old man or the old self within each individual, including Christians, which is in opposition and rebellion against God. Galatians 5:19-21, Colossians 3:5-8, and Mark 7:21-23 partially list areas that the flesh can easily inflame in this battle.

- **The Devil:** The devil is a real enemy, according to Jesus and the Bible, who is in opposition and rebellion against God. His primary attack against Christians seems to be through debilitating accusations. These accusations are usually mental attacks in the mind and are carried out by demonic spirits who faithfully serve the devil. Revelation 12:10 mentions this type of opposition. It is possible that the flaming arrows targeted at Christians which is mentioned in Ephesians 6:16 could also represent demonic accusation.

## - The Christians defense against the world, the flesh, and the devil

- **The World:** I John 2:17 indicates that we are to evaluate alluring temptation and say "no". The eternal things of God should not be sacrificed for the temporal things of this world. Christians do not have to pretend that the tensile and trappings of this world don't sometimes look good. The real issue is whether or not the temporal pleasures of this world are worth the eternal price tag which accompanies them.

- **The Flesh:** Galatians 5:16 and Ephesians 5:18 indicate that if we walk controlled by the Spirit we will not carry out the desires of the flesh. Ephesians 4:20-24 and Romans 12:1-2 state that victory over our old nature or self is possible through consistently renewing our mind. We replace or substitute our old wrong way of thinking with new Christ-like thinking contained in the Bible. Lastly, II Timothy 2:22 declares that in some situations involving the flesh the faithful believer should simply run.

- **The Devil:** Scriptures like James 4:7-8 and I Peter 5:8-9 indicate that the Christian is to firmly resist the attacks of the devil. Jesus's example in Matthew 4:1-11 shows that He used scripture against the devil in confronting him.

Remember:

- A- Accusation or Conviction, B/B, General or Specific
  - B- Pronouns are Important
  - C- Offensive Prayer Works
  - D- You Must Know the Word to Use it in Battle.
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