

Spiritual Warfare

Full Armor of God

Lesson 05

Enemy Tactics Schemes of the Devil

Ephesians 6:10-18

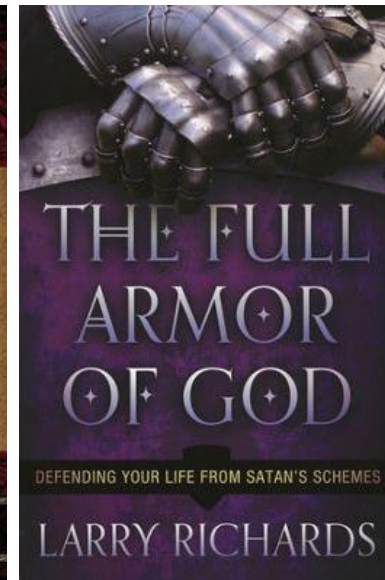
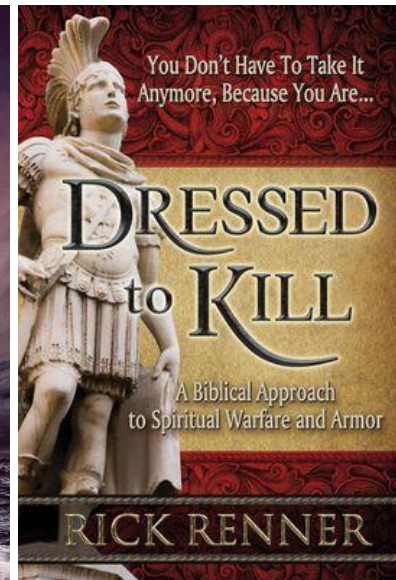
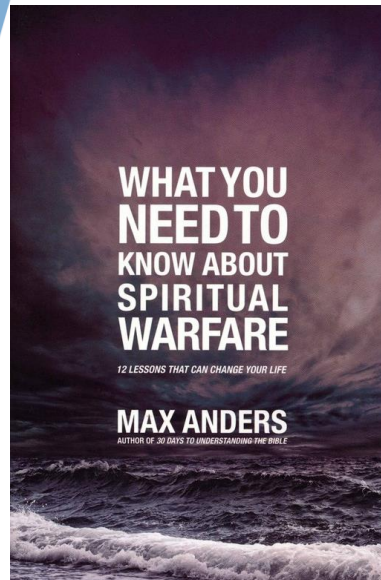
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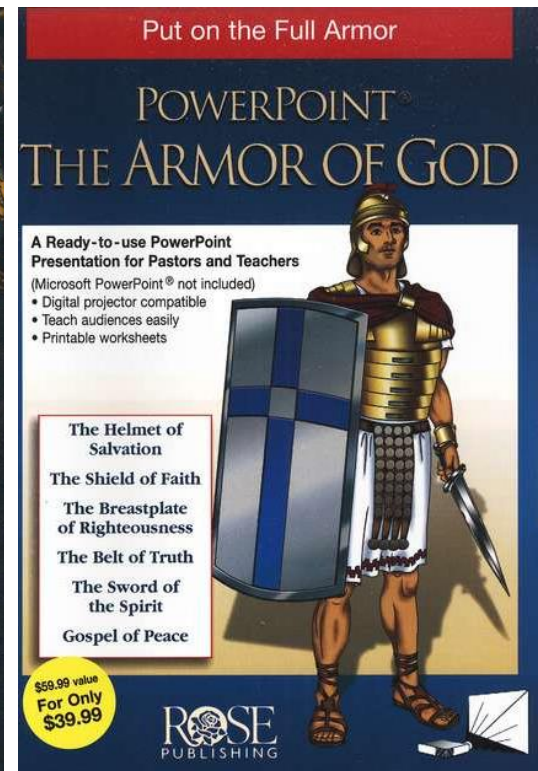
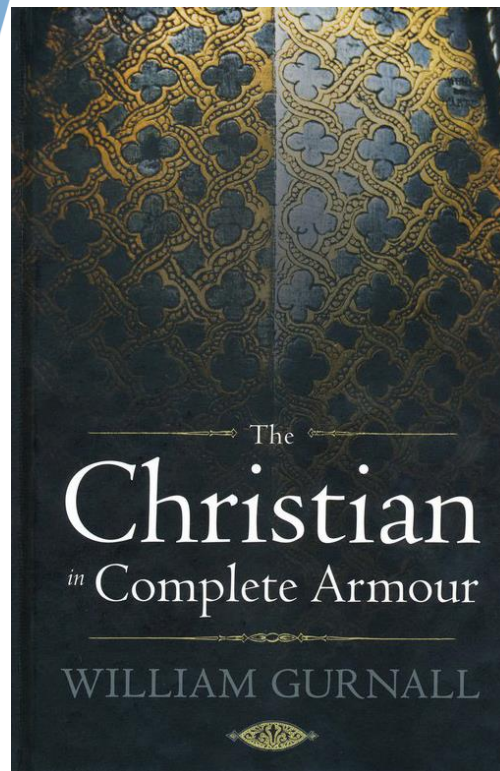


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The
WHOLE
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of GOD

"PUT ON THE
FULL
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OF GOD..."

- EPHESIANS 6:11



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ARE YOU READY FOR BATTLE?



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EPHESIANS 6:10-18

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Spiritual Warfare --- Review

Armor Elements & Spiritual Truth

ELEMENT	RESOURCE	NT REFERENCE
Defensive	Belt	TRUTH
	Breastplate	RIGHTEOUSNESS
	Shoes	GOSPEL OF PEACE
	Shield	FAITH
	Helmet	SALVATION
	Sword	THE SPIRIT
<i>Comms Gear</i>	PRAYING ALWAYS	2 THESSALONIANS 1:11-12

- First Five Armor Elements represent defensive capability
- Sixth Armor Element represents offensive capability
- Seventh Armor Element represents our continued planning, monitoring and control capabilities.
 - Command, Control, Communications & Intelligence [C³I]

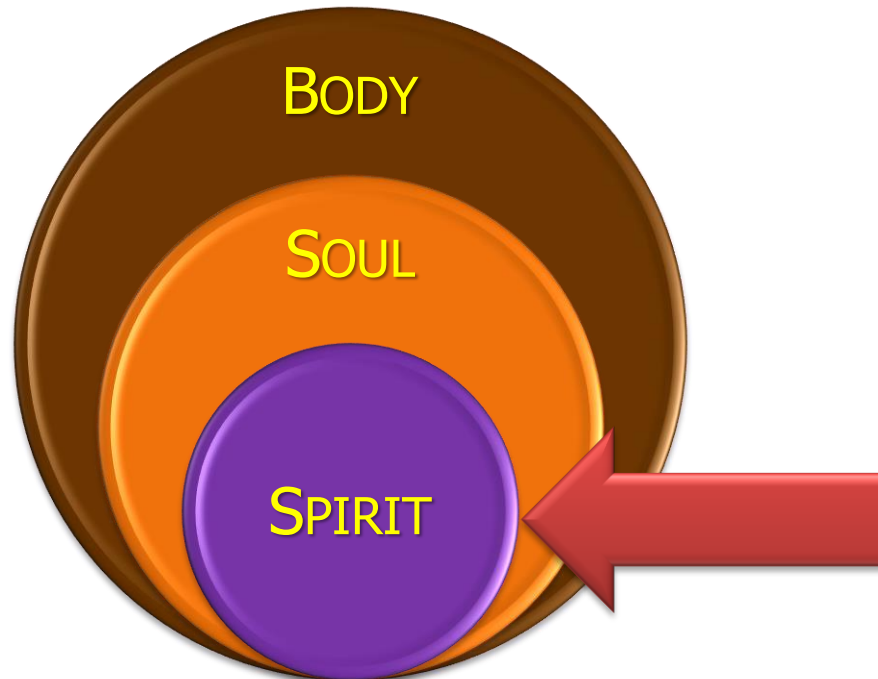


Spiritual Warfare --- Review

- **Category:** We are Engaged in a Spiritual War

War Item	Spiritual	Carnal	Reference
Weapons	✓		2 Corinthians 10:3-5
Adversary	✓		Ephesians 6:12; Colossians 2:15; 1 Peter 5:8-9
Armor (God's)	✓		Ephesians 6:11,13; John 4:24

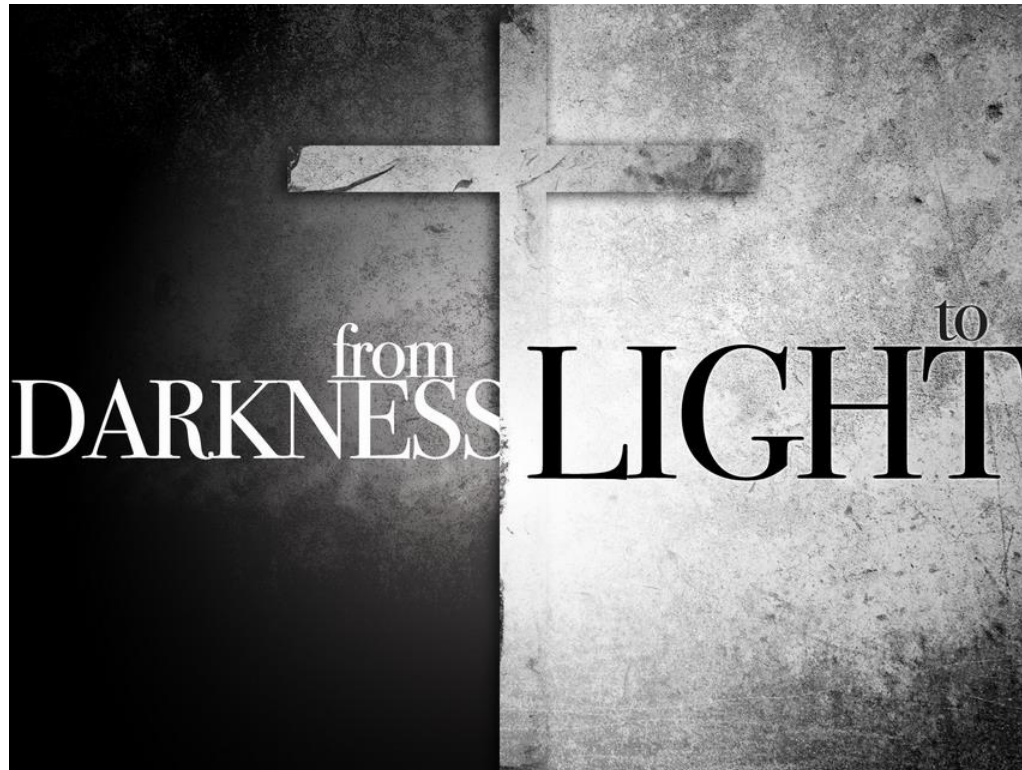
- Nature of Man
 - Tri-Partite



Spiritual Warfare --- Review

- **Combatants: Two Kingdoms: Light versus Darkness**

Kingdom	Combatants
LIGHT	Trinity, Holy Angels, Saints of all Ages
DARKNESS	Unholy Trinity, Fallen Angels, Unredeemed

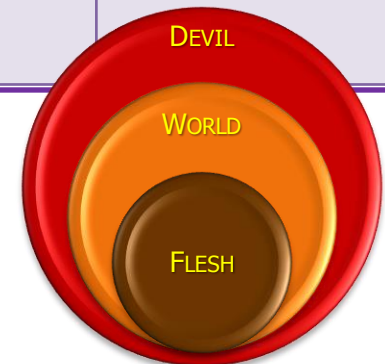


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- **Conflict: Three Battle Fronts**

FRONT	DESCRIPTION	REFERENCES
FLESH	THE PERSONAL BATTLE FRONT Our sin nature – inherited from Adam	Romans 8
WORLD	THE SOCIAL BATTLE FRONT Corrupt value system of the world ... Lust of the flesh, lust of the eyes, & pride of life	1 John 2:15-17
DEVIL	THE SUPERNATURAL BATTLE FRONT Satan and his allies attempt to thwart God's will for you, by using both the Personal (Flesh) and Social (World) Battle Front .	1 Peter 5:5-11

- **Conclusion:** Eternal Bliss *versus* Eternal Torment



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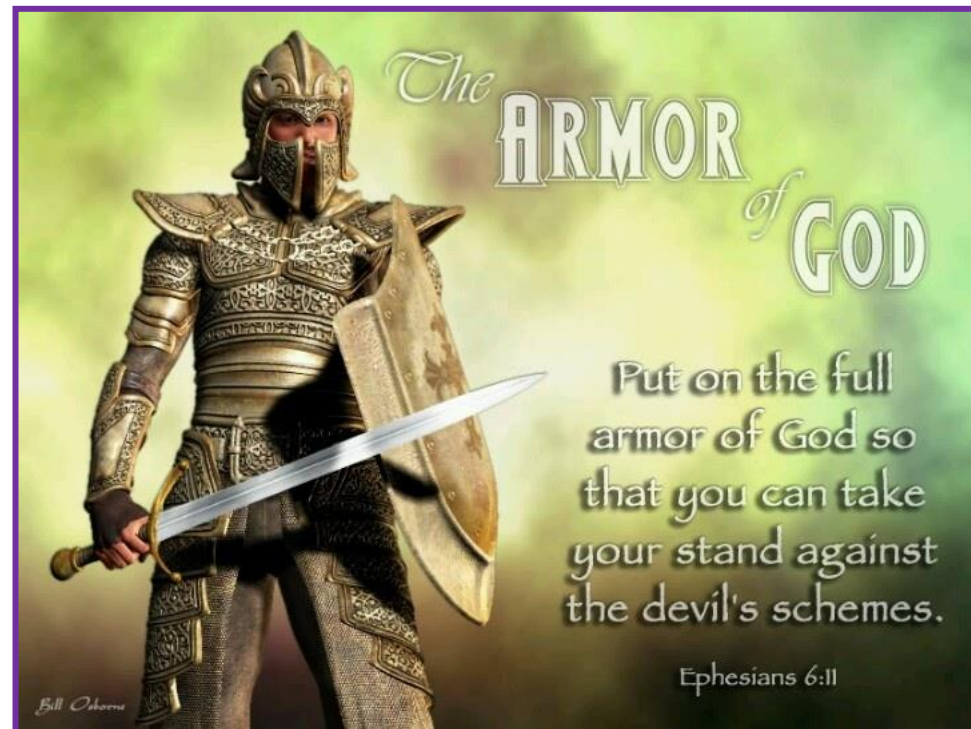
- **Strategic Plan: Be Strong in the Lord**

- Rely on the strength of the Lord
✓ *Not our own strength*
- Rely of the power of the Lord
✓ *Not our own power*
- Our victory is assured
✓ *IF we relay on the Lord*

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in **the Lord** and in the power of **His might**.

--- Ephesians 6:10 ... NKJV

- “Put on” and “Take up”
✓ The full armor of God





Enemy Tactics: SCHEMES OF THE DEVIL

The Wiles, Devices and Deception of the Devil

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Know Your Enemy: The Devil

• Why the Full Armor of God?

- So **that ...**

“you may be able to STAND against the wiles of the devil”

“you may be able to WITHSTAND in the evil day”



10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. **11** Put on the whole armor of God, **that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.** **12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, **that you may be able to withstand in the evil day,** and having done all, to stand.

--- Ephesians 6:10-13 ... NKJV

Know Your Enemy: The Devil

- **STAND and WITHSTAND**
 - Red Sea Crossing

¹³ And Moses said to the people, "Do not be afraid. Stand still, and see the salvation of the LORD, which He will accomplish for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall see again no more forever. ¹⁴ The LORD will fight for you, and you shall hold your peace."

¹⁵ And the LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to Me? Tell the children of Israel to go forward. ¹⁶ But lift up your rod, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it. And the children of Israel shall go on dry *ground* through the midst of the sea.

--- Exodus 4:13-16 ... NKJV

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Know Your Enemy: The Devil

- THE DEVIL

- Jesus Confronts the Pharisees - *Who's your Daddy?*

³⁹ They answered and said to Him, "Abraham is our father."

Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would do the works of Abraham. ⁴⁰ But now you seek to kill Me, a Man who has told you the truth which I heard from God. Abraham did not do this. ⁴¹ You do the deeds of your father." Then they said to Him, "We were not born of fornication; we have one Father—God."

⁴² Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of Myself, but He sent Me. ⁴³ Why do you not understand My speech? Because you are not able to listen to My word. ⁴⁴ You are of *your* father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own *resources*, for he is a liar and the father of it. ⁴⁵ But because I tell the truth, you do not believe Me.

--- John 8:39-45 ... NKJV

Know Your Enemy: The Devil

- Satan - Lucifer - The Devil

⁸ Be sober, be vigilant; because **your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.**

--- 1 Peter 5:8 ... NKJV

The Wiles of the Devil

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- **Satan - Lucifer - The Devil**
 - A Defeated Foe

⁷ And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, ⁸ but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. ⁹ So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. --- Revelation 12:7-9 ... NKJV

OTHER REFERENCES: Isaiah 14; Ezekiel 28

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Know Your Enemy: Organized Evil

• Angelic Ranks of Evil

- Principalities
- Powers
- Rulers of darkness of this age
- Spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places

¹⁹ and what *is* the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power ²⁰ which He worked in Christ when He raised Him from the dead and **seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places**, ²¹ far above all **principality** and **power** and **might** and **dominion**, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in that which is to come.
--- Ephesians 1:19-21 ... NKJV

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Schemes: Key Words

- Three key words in studying Spiritual Warfare

WORD	MEANING
WILES	<p>Greek -- <i>methodos</i></p> <p>In English ... “method” – translated with the idea of cunning, crafty, subtle, or full of trickery.</p> <p>Literal translation is “with a road”. The application is that the Devil travels on a single road – not multi-roads, i.e., one avenue of attack.</p>
DEVICES	<p>Greek – <i>noemata</i></p> <p>Depicts the insidious schemes and wicked plots of the Devil to attack and victimize the human mind. In warfare – tactics.</p> <p>Deception is the root of all the Devil’s Devices (tactics).</p>
DECEPTION	<p>Occurs when a person believes the lie(s) that the Devil tells him.</p> <p>We live in an age of deceit.</p>

Schemes: The Devil's Devices

- Situational Awareness - *War Metaphor*
 - We should not be ignorant of the Devil's devices

¹⁰ Now whom you forgive anything, I also *forgive*. For if indeed I have forgiven anything, I have forgiven that one for your sakes in the presence of Christ, ¹¹ **lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.**

--- 2 Corinthians 2:11 ... NKJV

- We should not be ignorant of
 - The Devil's Insidious schemes
 - The Devil's Wicked plots
 - The Devil's desire to ...
 - Obfuscate
 - Confuse
 - Deceive

Schemes: The Devil's Devices

- Area of Attack - *Enemy Targets*

- **Where do you think the Devil will try to attack us?**

- The Areas God's Armor provides protection

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| • Spirit | Sword ... Study of the Word of God |
| • Mind | Helmet of Salvation |
| • Heart | Breastplate of Righteousness |
| • Faith | Shield ... Please God |
| • Peace | Shoes of Preparation of the Gospel |
| • Truth | Belt upon which all elements hang |

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Deception: Age of Deceit

- Age of Deception
 - We live in an age of deceit
 - Hallmarks of our society
 - Lack of Integrity / Honesty
 - America is in *moral free-fall*
 - Ripped right out of scripture

2 Timothy 3:1-5



3 But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: ² For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, ³ unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, ⁴ traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, ⁵ having a form of godliness but denying its power. **And from such people turn away!**

--- 2 Timothy 3:1-5 ... NKJV

Deception: Combat Deceit

- **God Commands Us to Not be Deceived**

- 1 Corinthians 6:9-11
- 1 Corinthians 15:33
- Galatians 6:7-10
- James 1:16-18

⁹ Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? **Do not be deceived**. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, ¹⁰ nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. ¹¹ And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

--- 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 ... NKJV

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33 Do not be deceived: "Evil company corrupts good habits." **34** Awake to righteousness, and do not sin; for some do not have the knowledge of God. I speak *this* to your shame.
--- 1 Corinthians 15:33-34 ... NKJV

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⁷ Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. **⁸ For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. ⁹ And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. ¹⁰ Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith. --- Galatians 6:7-10 ... NKJV**

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16 Do not be deceived, my beloved brethren. **17** Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. **18** Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of first fruits of His creatures.

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Engagement:

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