

Weapons of Our Spiritual Warfare

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.

For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal

but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,

casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself

against the knowledge of God,

bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 NKJV

Spiritual Weapons:

- **Truth**

- Truth of God's Word
 - Believed and trusted
 - Proclaimed
 - Demonstrated in our lives
- Living lives of integrity (internal and external)
 - Truthful with ourselves
 - Truthful with others

- **Love (agape)**

- Expressed toward God by our devotion, worship, and obedience
- Expressed toward others
- Observed by others as fruit of our faith and faithfulness to God

- **Faith with Faithfulness**

- Faith in God, the Gospel, and the Bible
- Faithfulness to the Lord Jesus Christ

- **Prayer**

- **Righteousness**

- According to the Bible
- Positional righteousness only through the Lord Jesus Christ
- Lived out righteousness through abiding in God's Word (*John 8:31-32*)
- Acknowledging our sin and repenting of our sin.

- **Humility**

- Realizing and accurately understanding our own condition
- Realizing that we have no reason to think and live pridefully
- Realizing that any credit for righteousness in our lives goes to God

- **Obedience**

- This is obedience to God that is motivated by our trust in God, our love for God, and our fear of God.
- Obedience to God protects our heart, mind, and soul from our flesh, the world, and evil spiritual beings.
- God will use our obedience to Him to impact other people's lives.
- Obedience to God means obedience to the Word of God.

The Armor of God

Finally, my brothers, **be strong in the Lord** and in the power of His might. **Put on the full armor of God**, so that you may be **able to stand against** the stratagems of the devil.

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood,
but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness
of this age, against spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.

Because of this, **take up the whole armor of God**,
that you may be able to withstand in the evil day,
and having accomplished all things, to stand.

Stand therefore,

- having girded your waist with **truth**,
- having put on the **breastplate of righteousness**,
- and having shod your feet with the **preparation of the gospel of peace**;
- above all, taking up the **shield of faith**, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one.
- And take the **helmet of salvation**,
- and the **sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God**;
- through every **prayer and petition**, praying in every season **in the Spirit**, being watchful to this same thing with all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints--

Ephesians 6:10-18 EMTV

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