

SECURITY MEASURES

Part 9: The Fighting Mindset

Text: Ephesians 6:10-11 NKJV

THE FIGHTING SIDE OF OUR CHRISTIAN WALK

- No need for armor unless a threat is present
 1. Be strong and stand against the schemes of the devil
 2. Stand against - stand firm against all the strategies of the devil
 3. We live in a spiritually dark environment (***Acts 26:18 NKJV***)
- Our fight is not with people (***Ephesians 6:12 NLT***)
 1. Even though Satan was defeated by Jesus - he still schemes against mankind
 2. But he is not an authority over us (***1 Peter 5:8-9 NKJV***)
 3. Our dealings with people are where the love and compassion come in (***Ephesians 4:31-32 NKJV***)
- Paul used fighting / military metaphors
 1. Instructed Timothy to fight the good fight of faith (***1 Timothy 6:12 NKJV***)
 2. Examples of where we fight the good fight (***Hebrews 13:5-6 NKJV***) (***1 John 4:4 NKJV***) (***1 John 5:4 NKJV***)

THE FIGHT FOR PEACE

- Jesus gave us instructions concerning His peace (***John 14:27 NKJV***)
 1. We have peace with God because of what He has done for us
 2. This is not an outward peace - a spiritual peace in our hearts
 3. Do not let - indicates we have the power and ability