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WE WRESTLE (Part 2)

LECTURE 11-THE ARMY OF THE LORD

MEMORY VERSE: *James 4:7- "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."*

TEXT: 1 Chronicles 11:12-14; 2 Timothy 2:3-5

INTRODUCTION: In 1 Peter 2:9 the Bible says *"But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light."* For God to have called us to be all the above is a great privilege. But there is something else that we are. As the chosen people of God here on earth, we are not only His representatives, we are also His ARMY.

WHAT IS ARMY?

- An organized military force equipped for fighting in a war.
- A large organized group of people who are armed and trained to fight on land in a war.

However, while it is true that most of us, more than likely, will never have to fight hand to hand with another person, but we do battle on a daily basis against a very powerful force. We do battle against a very powerful enemy that seeks to destroy us, steal from us or if allowed kill us.

THE REALITY OF THE BATTLE – Rev. 12:12 – “.... Woe to the inhabitants of earth and the sea! for the devil is come unto you having great wrath....”

1. Originally, God made the earth and the fullness thereof, giving dominion over all the works of His hands to man – Gen. 1:26
2. From the moment of man's creation, satan saw man as a rival whom he needed to eliminate.
3. Satan came into the garden where God had placed Eve and Adam and tempted them into disobedience and rebellion – Gen. 3:1-5

4. So, when Adam sinned in the Garden of Eden, Satan became the god of this world, and took dominion out of the hand of Adam.
5. Therefore, Satan came into the world having great wrath being unleashed against man on daily basis.
6. The devil preventing men and women to accomplish what God has destined for their lives.
7. Christian marriages under severe attacks like never before.
8. Unexplainable sicknesses that have defiled medical explanation
9. People dying before their appointed time, their lives snuffed out by household wickedness.
10. Poverty, joblessness, corruption, oppression, depression, affliction, captivity, wicked governance by those in authority, all these are what we are seeing today all over the world.
11. The Church of God is not left out of these attacks. The gate of hell is waging severe battle against the church – Matt. 16:18

From the above, you can all see the reality of the battle we are in. It is, either you fold your hands and get crushed and defeated or you stand up,

fight and win in the name of Jesus Christ. Matt .11: 12 says *“And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.”*

1. It is time to pick up our sword and stand our ground.
2. It is time to pick up our sword and fight without stopping.
3. It is time to pick up our sword and defend our family.
4. It is time to pick up our sword and defend our children.
5. It is time to pick up our sword and defend our home.
6. It is time to pick up our sword to drive away the forces of the enemy from all that we have.

YOUR PATH TO VICTORY AS A SOLDIER OF THE LORD

1. You must be born again – John 1:12
2. You must be brave and courageous - 2 Timothy 1:7
3. Understanding your position in Christ Jesus – Eph. 2: 4-6.
4. Fully understand the nature of our weapons – Eph. 6:13-18
5. Ability to master the use of the WORD of GOD - Heb. 4:12
6. The Power of the Cross – Heb. 10: 14; 1 Cor 1:18.
7. Through Prayerfulness – Eph .6:18
8. Through the Supernatural Power of God – Ps. 8:2.
9. Ye Are Gods – Ps. 82:6

QUALITIES OF A GOOD SOLDIER IN THE ARMY OF THE LORD

1. A good soldier endures hardness – 2 Tim. 2:3.
2. A Good Soldier Enlists Others – Matt. 28: 19-20.

3. A good soldier will not collaborate with the enemy – Ps. 139:21-22
4. A good soldier of the Lord believes in the cause
5. He / she always receives orders/commands from the right person. Matt. 28
6. A good soldier of the Lord is faithful
7. A good soldier of the Lord never quits – Lk. 9:62

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, Beloved, God is looking for brave men and women willing to stand their ground. God is looking for men and women willing to battle the forces of the enemy. God is looking for men and women that will not run when confronted with adversity, but that will fight to defeat it. God is looking for you!

Beloved our victory is assured. And no matter the kind of Battle of life you are facing, you shall be victorious in Jesus name. AMEN.

PRAYER POINTS

1. I shall not be a casualty in the battle of life, in the name of Jesus.
2. The power to fight and win, fall upon my life, in the name of Jesus.
3. I shall not flee from my enemies, my enemies shall flee from me, in the name of Jesus.