

BBC Home Bible Study Outline - 7/21/24 AM – “Engaging Spiritual Warfare”

Question: We know there’s a spiritual warfare raging (*invisible & visible*) – How does the Christian engage in it?

There is General Warfare on earth (*in many levels, from individuals to nations*). There’s also Spiritual Warfare - *What is it?*

Discussion:

1. What 3 main things does [Eph 6:12](#) say about Spiritual Warfare (*fighting the good fight*)?
2. What does the Bible say in [Isaiah 14:12-15](#) about who initiated spiritual warfare, and why?
3. How does spiritual warfare affect us? (see [Gen 3:14-15](#); [1 Peter 5:8](#); [John 10:10](#))
4. What evidences can we see in the world today that this spiritual warfare is raging?

The Bible teaches there’s 2 categories of people on the earth: God’s “Enemies” (*unbelievers*) & God’s “Soldiers” (*believers*)

Discussion:

1. Why are unbelievers categorized as “enemies” of God? (see [John 3:19](#); [Philippians 3:18](#); [James 4:4](#))
2. Why are believers no longer enemies of God, but are now “soldiers”?
(see [Colossians 2:13-15](#); [Romans 8:1](#); and [2 Timothy 2:3](#); [1 Timothy 6:12](#))
3. How (in [Acts 2:37-38](#)) did Peter respond to the people’s question, about what they should do (*to no longer be ‘enemies’*)?

All believers (*regardless of age or gender*) are considered “soldiers” of God, because every believer who has defected from Satan’s kingdom, has by faith entered into God’s Kingdom, and is now engaged in Spiritual Warfare as Satan’s enemy.

Discussion:

1. What mindset should we endeavor to maintain while in the Conflict?
2. Does the Bible expect us to engage in spiritual warfare as weary victims, or as victorious conquerors assured to win?
(see [2 Corinthians 5:17](#); [Philippians 1:6](#); [1 John 5:13](#); [2 Peter 2:10](#); [Galatians 6:9](#); [Romans 8:31-37](#))

By believing & obedient faith in Jesus Christ, we’ve been born-again by the Spirit of God and are saved from God’s wrath. By God’s grace and invitation, we’ve overcome and defected from Satan’s Kingdom, and through Christ have entered into the Kingdom of God.

Discussion:

1. As “overcomers,” does this mean that we now have no more (*or lessened*), conflict / affliction / tribulation in this life?
(see [1 Thessalonians 3:3-4](#); [Philippians 1:28, 4:6](#); [1 Peter 1:7](#))
2. How do these six examples of God’s resources help us victoriously engage spiritual warfare?
 - 1- God’s Word (see [1 Peter 1:25](#); [Psalm 119:89, 138:2](#))
 - 2- God’s armor & weapons of warfare (see [Ephesians 6:10-18](#); [2 Corinthians 10:4](#))
 - 3- Prayer (see [Luke 18:1, 21:36](#); [1 Thessalonians 5:16-18](#))
 - 4- Spiritual gifts (see [Romans 12:6-8](#); [1 Corinthians 12:4-11](#); [Ephesians 4:8-12](#))
 - 5- The Assembly (church) (see [1 Timothy 3:15](#); [Hebrews 10:25](#))
 - 6- Fellowship (with fellow-believers) (see [Acts 2:42](#); [Ecclesiastes 4:9](#); [Proverbs 27:17](#); [Deuteronomy 32:30](#))
3. Anyone yet unsaved, is desirous, by the tug of God’s Holy Spirit, to trust Christ for their salvation, please refer back up to (*2nd paragraph, Discussion question 3*) the scripture, [Acts 2:37-38](#). God bless you!