Ready For Battle With Truth and Prayer

1 Group



Ephesians 6

(11) Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ...(12) against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms...(17) Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. (18) And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

3

Matthew 4:4,7,10

(4) It is written...

Λ

Matthew 4

(4) "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God

5

How does the Bible help us battle evil forces that tempt us to depart from Christ?

6 Group

1. It awakens our conscience with alarming clarity.

7

Hebrews 4

(12) For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. (13) Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight

The current delusion of our culture is born out of this false ideology: Truth is whatever I feel. If I feel that something is true, it is true. God counters that by giving us a Bible to tell our minds what is true. Therefore, if our feelings don't line up with what God has said, then what we feel is not true.

9

Hebrews 13

(4) Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral.

Ephesians 5

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

11

To the church at Rome and Corinth

10 times = "You know"

Romans 6

(6) For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be done away with... (12) Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body so that you obey its evil desires...(16) you are slaves of the one you obey—whether you are slaves to sin, which leads to death, or to obedience

13

1 Corinthians 6

(18) Flee from sexual immorality. ...(19) Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you...You are not your own; (20) you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

1 Corinthians 6

(11) do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived.

15

(2) The Bible breaks sin's power by connecting us with the life of God.

Hebrews 4

(12) For the word of God is alive and active.

17

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 2:1,2

My dear children, I write this to you so that you will not sin. But if anybody does sin, we have an advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ, the Righteous One. He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins,

19

Romans 8

(11) if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you. ...(13) For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live

Ephesians 6

(18) And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

21

Ephesians 6

(17) the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Romans 8

(13) by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body

23

Romans 8

(18) And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

2/1

Every inch of earth is a battlefield.

Every believer will be assaulted by temptation.

The Word of God is the sword that can pierce evil's heart.

Prayer is the means by which we raise the sword in battle.

25

Are you willing to ask God to help you hate your sin while not hating yourself?

In the mist of the struggle, God pledges to you His kind company and power. But He does not promise that the struggle with sin will disappear fully until glory. As you stand with the risen Christ in this battle, you are not shunned or despised.

27

But rather you are embraced as a...decorated soldier, standing in robes of righteousness. Anyone who battles the enemy by clinging to Christ is a hero of the faith and a valued child of God.

- Rosaria Butterfield