

Godly protection Pt. 2

We have to be alert to ensure that we don't get caught in an attack from the enemy that we won't be able to defend. Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notice that Jesus didn't say that we would never be attacked but He did say it wouldn't hurt us. Every attack from the enemy is designed to destroy us but as long as we stand on His promises, we will be victorious.

I mentioned the ministering spirits we have. We have to keep them busy. If we cry and moan when we are attacked and blame God for letting it happen, our angels have nothing to do. The body of Christ has weapons available to it that most Christians either don't know about or ignore. Paul wrote the church in Ephesus and told them: Ephesians 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

6:11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

6:13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

6:14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

6:15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

6:16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

6:17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

6:18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Note that our enemy is not man but he does use man in some cases. God gave us these weapons to use and if we don't use them we are standing in the rain out from under the umbrella complaining about getting wet. These weapons are our umbrella, get under them! Christians don't use these weapons and then when God's hands are tied because of their lack of faith and action, they blame God. What happened happened because you let it happen. Jesus said in Luke 10:19 'I give you power'.

That means we have what we need to overcome any attack that comes against us. Sometimes that attack is severe and we think we can't handle it but we are told in 1Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it. Keep in mind that it is not God that brings the attack. It is the enemy. God will allow it for building your faith. Faith is like a muscle. It must be exercised to grow.

God warns us that attacks will come and He even tells us who they are coming from.

In Isaiah 54:14 He tells us "In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.

54:15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me: whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake." Notice that He also states how the attack will end up. Keep in mind that we are warring during the attack not just sitting there waiting for the victory.

The words of our mouth are very important. There is a lot of truth in the statement: "What you say is what you get!" Jesus

tells us in Matthew 21:21 "Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done." Notice that WE have to say it. The body of Christ has become so much like the world that it is hard to tell the difference between the two. Think about it, Christians support the Democrat Party but the Democrat Party supports abortion at any time for any reason, they support homosexual 'marriage' and at the 2012 Convention even booed God! Neither Party is perfect but the Democrat Party has literally gone satanic!

People in the world worry about everything. They worry about their kids, finances, the economy, their jobs and we have been raised to do the same thing. We aren't supposed to do that. Scripture tells us in Matthew 6:27 Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

6:28 And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

6:29 And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

6:30 Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

6:31 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

6:32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

God is able to clothe us, feed us, put a roof over our head and He is surely capable of protecting us for any type of calamity.

It is hard sometimes to stand on the Word of God. The doctor gives us a bad report and we begin to believe it. But God's word overrides everything and He has given us a way of escape. Whatever comes our way we have to know that God has already put in us what we need to overcome that situation. David wrote in Psalms 34:7 The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them. Christians that fear God, have a reverential fear of Him, will be protected. The big problem with most of the body of Christ is they have not learned how to walk by faith and not by sight. It is hard to keep standing when there is no physical evidence that you will win but we have to refuse to live by what we see.

Many people have been given a death sentence from a doctor but refused to accept it and have defied medical science. Dody Osteen was given six weeks to live but she refused to accept that. Scripture says that by His stripes we are healed. She found every verse on healing and read them out loud everyday sometimes several times a day. That was almost 30 years ago. She's still here. God's Word won because she believed.

My daughter had a stomach ailment for over three years. She could hardly eat anything. Doctors could find nothing wrong. She kept believing for healing and one night at church our pastor spoke a word over her and laid hands on her. She was on the floor for twenty minutes. Got up and felt no different.

The next morning she called my wife and said that she was hungry for the first time in three years and has had no problem since. She refused to give up! Why did it take three years? I don't know but she has faith now for other things because she won that battle!

These times will require a different kind of faith than what we have used in the past. These are the last days and the enemy is ramping up the attacks. Satanic cults from the Middle East are spreading across the globe at an alarming rate. We have to stand on the promises of protection that God has given

us to get through what is coming. Not by might, nor by power,
but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts. Zechariah 4:6.

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