

SPIRITUAL WARFARE: Helpful Hints

1. FIRM = **Ephesians 6:10-11** “**10** Finally, **be strong** in the Lord and in the strength of His might. **11** Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to **stand firm** against the **schemes of the devil**.”

A. STRONG = **10** Finally, **be strong** in the Lord and in the strength of His might. **11** Put on the full armor of God,

B. STAND = so that you will be able to **stand firm**

C. SCHEMES = against the **schemes of the devil**.

2. FLEE = **2 Timothy 2:22** **Flee** also youthful lusts; but **pursue** righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

A. IMMORALITY = **1 Corinthians 6:18** NKJV = **Flee sexual immorality**. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.

B. IDOLATRY = **1 Corinthians 10:14** (NKJV) Therefore, my beloved, **flee from idolatry**.

C. INCLUDES **Corinthians 10:13** NAS = No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man ; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, **but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also**, so that you will be able to endure it.

3. FOCUS = on Tempter not Temptation

A. LION = **1 Peter 5:7-9** = “**7** casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. **8** Be sober, be vigilant; because your **adversary the devil** walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. **9** Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.”

B. LOSS or LIFE = **John 10:10** “The thief does not come except to **steal**, and to **kill**, and to **destroy**. I have come that they may have **life**, and that they may have it **more abundantly**.”

C. LIAR = **John 8:44** (NKJV) You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because **there is no truth in him**. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for **he is a liar and the father of it**.

4. FOLLOW THE FLOW = Order, Sequence of the Flow

James 4:7 (KJV) **Submit** yourselves therefore to God. **Resist** the devil, and he will **flee** from you.

A. SUBMIT = Submit to God

B. STAND = Resist the devil

C. SCRAM = he will flee from you

5. FAITH = Trusting God & His Word

2 Corinthians 12:7-10 = **7** And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a **thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me**, lest I should be exalted above measure . **8** For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. **9** And he said unto me, **My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in (MY) weakness**. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. **10** Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: **for when I am weak , then am I strong**.

A. DIFFICULTY = 7 And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh,

B. DEVIL = the messenger of Satan to buffet me,

C. DIVINE = lest I should be exalted above measure

D. DENIAL = 8 For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me. **9** And he said unto me, **My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness**

E. DEPENDENCE = Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. **10** Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: **for when I am weak , then am I strong.**