



Heart of Grace
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Fight For Your Mind

II Corinthians 10:1-6

[1] Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who in presence am base among you, but being absent am bold toward you:

[2] But I beseech you, that I may not be bold when I am present with that confidence, wherewith I think to be bold against some, which think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.

[3] For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

[4] (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

[5] Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

[6] And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

How do we revenge our disobedience? Being willing to face the conflict! When you have a stronghold in your life only you can deal with it. People that intercede can take you so far but you must decide to fight the good fight too much. You cannot conquer what you will not confront. God has a weapon for every stronghold on your life. You must begin to see these strongholds as something that you must confront.

The work of the ministry is a spiritual warfare, with spiritual enemies and for spiritual purposes. Deliverance begins when we understand what it is that is holding us. People that will not begin to acknowledge that they have strongholds, done things wrong, or any form of bondage are limiting how far that we will go, limiting prophetic encouragement and our spiritual potential.

Acts 19:11-19

[11] And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul:

[12] So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the

diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them.

[13] Then certain of the vagabond Jews, exorcists, took upon them to call over them which had evil spirits the name of the Lord Jesus, saying, We adjure you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.

[14] And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so.

[15] And the evil spirit answered and said, Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are ye?

[16] And the man in whom the evil spirit was leaped on them, and overcame them, and prevailed against them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

[17] And this was known to all the Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus; and fear fell on them all, and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.

[18] And many that believed came, and confessed, and shewed their deeds.

[19] Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver.

If you are ever going to confront and overcome with success you must learn not to try to conquer things on your own. We must learn that we cannot do this on our own!

Judges 16:16-21

[16] And it came to pass, when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death;

[17] That he told her all his heart, and said unto her. There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak, and be like any other man.

[18] And when Delilah saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and called for the lords of the Philistines, saying, Come up this once, for he hath shewed me all his heart. Then the lords of the Philistines came up unto her, and brought money in their hand.

[19] And she made him sleep upon her knees; and she called for a man, and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him, and his strength went from him.

[20] And she said, The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he awoke out of his sleep, and said, I will go out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him.

[21] But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass; and he did grind in the prison house.

Just admitting our weaknesses only makes us more prone to fall short. We must not give into weakness and still think we can overcome. We must learn to face the weakness by the spirit so that we go from being a people that cannot do it to people that know that they can win. It is very easy to fall into traps by giving into the enemies' temptations. We must rebuke!

1 Peter 1:3-7

[3] Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

[4] To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

[5] Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

[6] Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:

[7] That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

We are kept by the power of God through faith and not just to faith alone. It needs nurtured and stirred!

1 Corinthians 2:2-5

[2] For I determined not to know any thing among you, save Jesus Christ, and him crucified.

[3] And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.

[4] And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:

[5] That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

You can be wise in this world and lose your power in God! Be careful to abide in the true strength of God's spirit!

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