

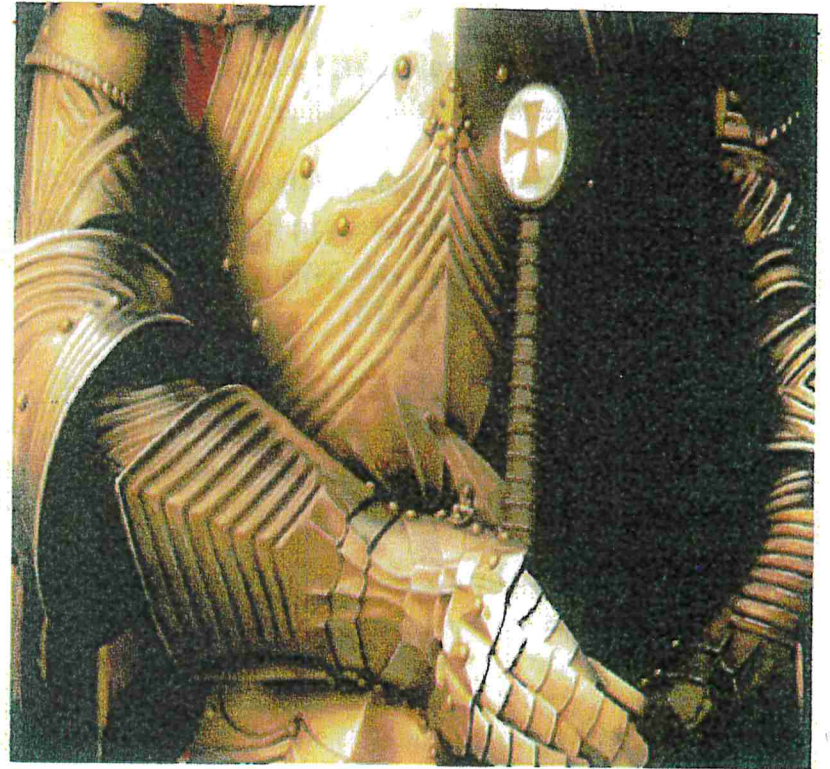


KEEP
CALM

AND

PUT ON THE ARMOR
OF GOD EPH 6:11

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*Spiritual Warfare
Prayer*

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Spiritual Warfare Prayer

- Christians will encounter Spiritual Warfare. In one sense, all prayer is spiritual warfare.
- Spiritual Warfare is not against other people, it engages principalities and powers in the spiritual realm, it breaks strongholds and sets captives free. (Eph 6:12, II Cor. 10:3-5, Luke 4:18)
- Jesus has all authority and power. Currently, satan has temporary power, the demons believe in Jesus and submit to His authority. (Matthew 28:18, James 2:19 and Luke 10:17)
- Christians need to be aware and not be ignorant of satan's schemes.

Ephesians 6:10-18 NIV The Armor of God

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.
¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.
¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your

ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.
¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 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. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

Prepare yourself for each day's spiritual challenges by putting on the armor piece by piece. Each morning, pray a prayer something like this sample provided here:

"Dear Lord, as I start this day with you, I am thankful for this new day you have made. I am blessed, but I know full well that I am going to encounter Spiritual Warfare today. I also know that you have giving me all I need to be victorious. Help me today, by the power of your Holy Spirit, put on the full armor of God:

Help me put on the **HELMET OF SALVATION** to protect my mind and thoughts. Place the helmet of salvation on my head. Protect my mind and imagination. Guard my eyes and my imagination and all my idle thoughts. May I have the mind of Christ my Savior today.
 Help me put on the **BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS** so I may walk in your holiness. Let your armor protect my heart and desires that I may speak truth and love from my heart and I may walk in a manor worthy of your calling.

Help me put on the **BELT OF TRUTH**. Wrap your living Word around me like a belt. Your word is truth. Help me be discerning of the truth today and not fall for any of the enemies lies.

Help me put on the Footwear of the **GOSPEL OF PEACE**. May I be always ready to answer those who ask me about the hope of my salvation. Help me to be ready for your divine appointments and to live in peace with all people. Help me put on the **SHIELD OF FAITH** so that I can face the enemy with your protection. Strengthen me so that I do not loose faith and allow the fiery darts of the evil one to penetrate my life.

Lord, Help me to take up the **SWORD OF THE SPIRIT**, your precious written Word. May it be a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Help me to hide the words in my heart that I may not sin against you. May the Word of Christ dwell in me richly today, speaking truth and admonishing and encouraging those I meet. May my heart be full of your Word and may I be alert and ready in the power of the Word.

Lord empower me to stand firm against all the onslaughts of the unseen enemy and to protect those under my care. Help me to pray without ceasing today, and be my constant companion and guide as we walk together. I now continue to clothe myself with Christ as I meet other people. I ask that you help me put on humility, love, compassion, kindness and gentleness with patience and self-control, with holiness and lavish with forgiveness. Help me exhibit the fruit of the Spirit today. May those around me see your life in me, and be caught up in the peace and joy of my salvation.

Spiritual warfare prayers

The following Spiritual warfare prayers are intended only as a guide and are simply sample prayers. Prayer should not be viewed as ritualistic or as an incantation.

FOR ANY UNGODLY THOUGHTS (II Corinthians 10:5)

In the authority of the Name of Jesus I bring these thoughts into captivity. I rebuke the source of these thoughts and ask for the cleansing of the blood of Jesus on my mind.

WHEN ENTERING A PUBLIC PLACE

In the authority of the Name of Jesus I cover myself and this place with the blood of Jesus. I bind up every demon here and ask for angelic protection and spiritual wisdom and discernment.

BEFORE TURNING ON THE COMPUTER

In the authority of the Name of Jesus I bind every demon and every device intended to (steal, kill and) destroy me. I bind any curses, hexes and spells sent my way. I rebuke all obscene and filthy words and images that the enemy will put in my path. Protect and renew my mind in Christ Jesus.

BEFORE GOING TO SLEEP

In the authority of the Name of Jesus I cover myself and all my property and loved ones with the blood of Jesus. I take authority over all demons of the night, in whatever form they take. I rebuke and bind all nightmares, sensual dreams, spirit guides and anything else that would seek to interfere with my rest in Jesus. I pray a wall of fiery protection around me, attended by the host of God's angelic army.

WHEN YOU ARE ENCOUNTERING SPIRITUAL DISTRESS

In the authority of the Name of Jesus I bind all the psychic influences sent against me. I rebuke and send to the pit any spirits or demons that are oppressing me. I tear down any witches curses, including warlocks, wizards, satanists, sorcerers and wiccan practitioners. I break the power of all hexes, spells,

vexes, charms, fetishes, incantions, psychic prayers, psychic thought control, magic, voodoo, jinxes, potions, bewitchments, prayer to satan and psychic warfare. I ask for the spirit of Peace to replace the torment of the evil one, in Jesus name. AMEN!

WHEN YOU ENCOUNTER DEMONIC OPPRESSION

In the authority of the Name of Jesus, I cover myself in His blood. Nothing you can do against me will harm me. I command you to remain silent and to leave this place immediately and never come back. All evil forces within the sound of my voice must leave now and never return.

WHEN YOU FACE DIVISION AND STRIFE IN THE CHURCH

In the authority of the Name of Jesus, I come against all the satanic influences that I encounter here. I ask my Father to destroy the works of darkness in this place and cast down all the evil spirits that may be here. I come against all Disunity, Divisions and Strife. I expose the works of jealousy, back biting, gossip, slander and destruction. I ask that the eyes of our understanding be opened and your truth and works will be revealed in place of the spirit of bondage, fear, hate and ruin. Help us not to take the bait of satan and carry offences, also keep us from committing offences with one another. May your body, the bride, live together in love and unity, deferring to one another and serving one another in Love. Amen

THE SCHEMES OF THE DEVIL

1. The Greek word for schemes is *methodeia*
2. The schemes of the devil are tailor made to each one of us. Zechariah 3:1
3. Christians must be aware of satan's methods: Hosea 4:6, I John 5:18-19

WHAT TO PRAY FOR

Pray for your own particular needs: salvation of family members, finances, healing, etc.
Pray for the needs of others and any special requests that have come in.
Pray for the work of local churches .
Pray for prayer groups.
Pray for world revival.
Pray for Israel. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: May they prosper who love you (Psa. 122:6).
Pray that God's people will be ready for Christ's Second Coming (II Cor. 11:2).
Pray for ministries training laborers for the harvest. Jesus said, Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest (Matt. 9:38).
Pray for kings and all who are in authority (I Tim. 2:2) and for the leaders of our country, that they will be providentially guided in their decisions.

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW NEEDS TO BE DELIVERED FROM SOME BONDAGE- GET HELP AND SUPPORT FROM YOUR PASTORAL STAFF

The ministry of deliverance is available to all children of God. There are certain requirements and safeguards that must be in place before performing an exorcism or releasing the captives. A good resource for learning more is "*Freedom in Christ ministries.*"

