

BODY ARMOR

PART 2

(Ephesians 6:10-13 NKJV) Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. (11) Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. (12) For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. (13) Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

How Real Warfare Begins

- ✓ The Holy Spirit is faithful to show us of any areas in our lives that leave us _____ for attack.

(John 16:7 AMPC) However, I am telling you nothing but the truth when I say it is profitable (good, expedient, advantageous) for you that I go away. Because if I do not go away, the Comforter (Counselor, Helper, Advocate, Intercessor, Strengtheners, Standby) will not come to you [into close fellowship with you]; but if I go away, I will send Him to you [to be in close fellowship with you].

- ✓ Most battles are fought and won because we are faithful to heed the Holy Spirit's warnings to deal with some area of our lives before it got _____.
- ✓ Spiritual warfare is not a momentary gust of _____ to temporarily frighten away the devil.
- ✓ Real spiritual warfare is a specific condition of the mind that involves a lifelong _____.
- ✓ Some have gotten off course where spiritual warfare is concerned because they are looking for a " _____ " to change their deeply rooted, habitual, and often self-imposed problems.

Genuine Attacks

- ✓ Sometimes there are genuine _____ on our lives from the enemy that catch us off guard when we are doing everything that we know to do in obedience to the Lord.

Mark 4:35-41 NKJV On the same day, when evening had come, He said to them, "Let us cross over to the other side." (36) Now when they had left the multitude, they took Him along in the boat as He was. And other little boats were also with Him. (37) And a great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that it was already filling. (38) But He was in the stern, asleep on a pillow. And they awoke Him and said to Him, "Teacher, do You not care that we are perishing?" (39) Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. (40) But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?" (41) And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!"

- ✓ This attack of the enemy came right before one of Jesus' greatest _____ in ministry.
- ✓ When everything was said and done, Jesus matched a great storm with a _____.
- ✓ Whatever the devil does, Jesus wants to _____ that attack with an even greater blessing and victory in your life!

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How Real Warfare Begins

- ✓ The Holy Spirit is faithful to show us of any areas in our lives that leave us **vulnerable** for attack.

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- ✓ Most battles are fought and won because we are faithful to heed the Holy Spirit's warnings to deal with some area of our lives before it got **out of control**.
- ✓ Spiritual warfare is not a momentary gust of **emotion** to temporarily frighten away the devil.
- ✓ Real spiritual warfare is a specific condition of the mind that involves a lifelong **commitment**.
- ✓ Some have gotten off course where spiritual warfare is concerned because they are looking for a **quick fix** to change their deeply rooted, habitual, and often self-imposed problems.

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- ✓ This attack of the enemy came right before one of Jesus' greatest **triumphs** in ministry.
- ✓ When everything was said and done, Jesus matched a great storm with a **great calm**.
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