Spiritual Warfare Your Enemy is not People

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Spiritual Warfare

Ephesians 6:10-12

- 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.
- For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Spiritual Battle, Not Battle with People

We are involved in a spiritual battle, not a battle with people. Our enemy is spiritual wickedness, not a person.

We must <u>fight in the spiritual realm</u> not in the physical.

This does not mean we do not speak out against deception and sin. Sin must be confronted, but we must fight against what is behind the sin, spiritual wickedness.

Do Not War in the Flesh

- 2 Corinthians 10:3-5
- ³ For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh,
- ⁴ for the <u>weapons</u> of our warfare are not of the flesh, but <u>divinely powerful</u> for the destruction of fortresses.
- We are <u>destroying speculations</u> and <u>every lofty thing</u> raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are <u>taking every</u> thought **captive** to the obedience of Christ,

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