

Winning your spiritual battles (part 2)

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- I. I MUST GAIN SPIRITUAL VICTORY IN MY MIND TO REFUTE SATANIC LIES (EPHESIANS 6:13).
 - I can personally train my thoughts to prepare for Satan's temptations, ideas and deceptions (2 Corinthians 10:3-5).

- II. I AM ARMED TO WIN SPIRITUALLY AS I CHOOSE TO BELIEVE WHAT IS TRUE (EPHESIANS 6:14-17).
 - A. Belt of truth: Believe what God says about you (14a; 4:20-24).
 - B. Breastplate of righteousness: Do what is holy, pure and pleases Christ (14b; James 4:7; Ephesians 1:4; 5:3, 8-11).
 - C. Feet/gospel of peace: Make the gospel your purpose (15, 3:7).
 - D. Shield of faith: Trust God's promises and love (16; 3:17-19).
 - E. Helmet of Salvation: Rest in your salvation (17a; 1:13-14).
 - F. Sword of the Spirit: I must invest continually in God's Word to be cleansed and growing in holiness (17b; 5:25-26).

- III. AS I PRAY FOR MYSELF AND OTHERS GOD GIVES SPIRITUAL VICTORY (EPHESIANS 6:18-20).
 - A. Pray continually for personal spiritual strength (18a)
 - B. Pray for other believers to have spiritual strength (18b).
 - C. Pray for clarity and boldness to proclaim the gospel (19-20).
 - We have everything we need for spiritual victory (2 Peter 1:3-4).