

Spiritual Warfare and Prayer Seminar ISM Staff Conference 2015

Opening Discussion

- At this point in your life, what does Spiritual Warfare mean to you?
- What does the Word teach us about Spiritual Warfare?
- Have you had any experiences with spiritual warfare? If so, describe a few.

What is Spiritual Warfare?

Our battle is against _____, _____, and _____. (Eph. 2:1-3)

The devil and his nature

Who is the devil, and what does he do? John 12:31, 14:30, 16:11, Eph. 2:2, Gen. 3:1-4, Rev.12:9-11, Matt. 4:8-10, John 8:44, 2 Cor. 4:4, Heb. 2:14-15

The enemy:

- Distracts
- Deceives (2Cor. 4:4, 11: 3-4)
- Devours (1Peter 5:5-8)
- Discourages (Isa 61:3)
- Destroys (John 10:10)
- Divides (John 17:23, Eph 4:25-27)

Times we tend to see warfare

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Overcoming the Enemy (Personal & Ministry)

The Source of our Victory

- **What Jesus has done – He has overcome the person and work of the enemy.**
 - God made you alive with Christ...And having disarmed the powers and authorities, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross (Colossians 2:13).
 - The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work (1 John 3:8).
 - [Jesus] has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the Kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins (Col 1:13)
 - The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I [Jesus] have come that they may have life, and have it to the full (John 10:10).
- **The contrast between Jesus and Satan**

Wielding our weapons... PRAYER

- Ephesians 6:10-20
- Nehemiah 4:14, 17
- James 4:7

Spiritual Warfare and Cross Cultural Ministry

Handout was put together using the following resources listed below along with resources from Katie Rawson and Laura Thiel.

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