



Our Victory
Ephesians 6:10-14
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Ephesians 6:10-12, “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.” (NIV)

The cause of the struggle is spiritual, but the effect of the struggle is physical.

We have to address the spiritual cause in order to adjust the physical effect.

It is only as we engage in the spiritual world intentionally that we will live in the physical world effectively.

Because of Jesus Christ, we do not fight for victory – we fight from victory!

How does this apply to us? In the “heavenly realms” there are:

- Demons (Eph. 6:12)
- Angels (Eph. 3:10-11)
- Blessings (Eph. 1:3)
- Jesus (Eph. 1:18-22)
- Us (Eph. 2:4-6)

Jesus Christ was made alive...so was I.

Jesus Christ was raised...so was I.

Jesus Christ was seated above all...so was I.

Weapon #1: The Accomplishment of Jesus Christ

Colossians 2:15, “And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.” (NIV)

The name of Jesus, the blood of Jesus, and my testimony of Jesus

Philippians 2:10-11, “10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” (NIV)

Revelation 12:11, “They triumphed over him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony...” (NIV)

Because of my identity in Christ, I have the authority of Christ!

Mark 6:7, “Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits.” (NIV)

Ephesians 6:10-11, 13-14, “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.... 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...” (NIV)

Because of my identity/authority, I can be strong in the Lord and stand against the Devil.

How to Live Daily in Victory

James 4:6-10, “6 But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: ‘God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.’ 7 Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. 9 Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. 10 Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.” (NIV)

- 1) I repent of known sins involving my flesh (1-3) and the world. (4-5)
- 2) I humble myself. (6)
- 3) I submit to God. (7)
- 4) I resist the Devil. (7)
- 5) I stay close to God. (8)
- 6) I am careful about what I do and think. (8-9)
- 7) I trust God to deliver me victory. (10)

When I live under the authority of God I can have authority over Satan.