



Disarming Darkness...

*the power of*

# Fighting the Unseen War



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From Genesis to Revelation the Bible assumes the reality of a cosmic war beyond what our naked eyes can see; the world we live in is a spiritual battle field and we are in a war with rulers, principalities, powers, and spiritual forces of darkness. Whatever happens in the spiritual, invisible war zone affects our life on earth. While the eventual triumph of good over evil was assured by God's redemptive work in Jesus, we are living in the in-between time, confronted by the stubborn defiance of the evil ones while awaiting the return of the Christ who will defeat all the enemies of God and wipe out evil forever.

In this series we will learn what the Bible teaches about the reality of this spiritual warfare and how we could practically prepare ourselves as well as support one another in community, as we engage and triumph over our enemies in Jesus' name. As we grow in our relationship with God and in our understanding of His word, we hope that this booklet would become a ready reference for our personal faith development and a community resource for disarming the power of darkness.

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## Naming & Unmasking the Enemy: *Identifying Satan and Demonic Activities in Scriptures*

### 1 Modern Dismissal of the Spiritual Warfare Worldview

The “Enlightened Mind”

Reason over Faith

The “Scientific Method”

Seeing reigns Supreme

The “Materialist World”

Heaven -is-on- Earth

The “Mysterious Universe”

Embracing the Occult

### 2 God & “gods” in the Heavenly Council

- God – the supremacy and uniqueness of the Creator (*Deut. 6:4*)
- “gods” – created, personal beings who assist or resist the Creator (*Gen. 6:1ff.; 1Ki. 22:19-20; Ps. 82; Is. 6:8; Dan.10; Job; cf. Jude 6*)
- Self-determination & power of the “gods”

### 3 Satan in Eden: Gen. 3.

(a) Creating doubt/confusion

(b) Attacking God’s character

(c) Contradicting God

(d) “Desires” created by “engineering” a sense of discontentment

(e) Appeal to personal pride

(f) Contagious nature of sin

#### 4 Explicit References to "Satan" in OT

Job 1 & 2

"Satan" literally means the accuser  
Harassing humans, accusing man  
Subordinate to God's plan & authority

Zach. 3:1-10

Satan condemns/accuses Joshua  
Rebuked by God, based on His salvation

1 Chron. 21:1

Inciting David to disobey God, to place his  
trust in his own army

Satan as a malicious being who is against  
 God and His plans

#### 5 OT References to the Demonic

Gen. 4:7

Sin crouches at Cain's door - sin as a  
crouching demon, waiting to overcome its  
victim

Gen. 6:1-3

"Sons of God" [spirit beings] marrying  
"daughters of men" - rebellious against God  
and contributing to the moral decay of  
humanity

Ps. 82

"Sons of the Most High" failed to carry out  
God's will and extending human  
injustice or oppression

Is. 24:21-22

The powers in heavens above are punished  
because of their evil influence upon  
earthly powers

Dan. 10 & 12

Hindering God's angel to execute His  
orders Opposing God's plan and His  
servant, Daniel Reality of "unseen wars" in  
the heavenly realms

1Sam. 16:14-16, 23; 18:10; 19:9

Overcoming and tormenting Saul  
God's act of judgment due to disobedience

1Ki.22:19-23

A lying spirit who promotes deception  
God's act of judgment

**Summary of OT Evidence**

- The reality of the demonic is assumed, acknowledged, and addressed.
- There are clear threats to humanity in individual, social, national, and cosmic settings.
- The sovereignty of God is evident.

**6 NT References to Satan**

“Satan” - 35x

- Matthew, Mark, Luke: 14x
- John: 1x [13:27; cf. “prince of this world, 12:31; 14:30; 16:11]
- Acts: 2x
- Paul: 10x
- Revelation: 8x

“ho diabolos” – 32x

“daimonion” – 60x [cf. spirit, wicked spirit, unclean spirit]

Other “titles”/identifiers:

2 Cor. 4:4

“the god of this world”

Eph. 2:2

“the prince of the power of the air”

Eph. 6:12

“the rulers of the darkness of this age”

1Jn. 5:19

“the power of the Evil One”

Matt. 13:38

“the Evil One”

Matt. 13:39

“an Enemy”

Matt. 4:3; 1Thess. 3:5

“an Tempter”

1 Pe. 5:8

“an Adversary/Enemy ... a roaring lion”

Jn. 8:44

"Father of Lies"

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Jn. 8:44

"a Murderer"

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Rev. 10:9

"a Deceiver"

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Rev. 10:10

"an Accuser"

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2 Cor. 11:14

"disguised as an angel of light"

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### Summary of NT Evidence

- Similar to what we discover in the OT
  - > Reality of the demonic
  - > Threats to humanity in individual, social, national, and cosmic settings
  - > Sovereignty of God
- Our attitude, affection, & action play a significant role in the battle against Satan.

### Claiming God's Loving Protection and Assurance

Rom. 8:31 If God is for \_\_\_\_\_ [MY NAME], who can be against \_\_\_\_\_ [MY NAME]? ...<sup>33</sup>Who will bring any charge against \_\_\_\_\_ [MY NAME] whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. <sup>34</sup>Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. <sup>35</sup>Who shall separate \_\_\_\_\_ [MY NAME] from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ...<sup>37</sup>No, in all these things **we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.** <sup>38</sup>For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup>neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate \_\_\_\_\_ [MY NAME] from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Work on this “Spiritual Warfare Matrix” this week: pray for Spirit’s guidance and scriptural wisdom to see in which domains are you more vulnerable to Satan’s “attacks, accusations, and/or attempts” in drawing away from God.

<b><i>Spiritual Warfare Matrix</i></b>	<b><i>Mind</i></b>	<b><i>Emotion</i></b>	<b><i>Behaviour</i></b>	<b><i>Social</i></b>	<b><i>Financial</i></b>	<b><i>God-ward</i></b>
<b><i>Doubts &amp; Confusion</i></b>						
<b><i>God’s Character</i></b>						
<b><i>God’s will</i></b>						
<b><i>Discontent</i></b>						
<b><i>Pride</i></b>						
<b><i>Contagions</i></b>						

## Jesus' Victory Over the Demonic: *Power Encounters in the Gospels*

### 1 Jesus and the Demonic

"Power Encounters" between Jesus and forces of darkness is one of the most significant aspect of His ministry (Matt. 4:23).

Jesus describes Satan as "The Price of the World" (cf. Jn. 12:31; 14:30; 16:11).

Satan exercises some influence over the world.

Satan and demons are united force of evil/hostility (cf. Mk. 3:22, 24; Lk. 11:15).

Man needs divine protection and "deliverance" from Satan's harassments (cf. Matt. 6:13; Jn. 17:15).

### 2 The Demonic & Related Activities

"Daimonion" – 60x, mostly in the Gospels

- "pneuma": Matt. 8.16; Lk. 9.39; 10.20
- "wicked spirit": Matt. 12.45//Lk. 11.26; 7.21; 8.2; Acts 19.12-16

- "unclean spirit": Lk. 4.33
- "have a demon"/"demonized": Gospels
- Can move/be transferred from host to host:  
Matt. 8:31; Lk. 8:32
- Physical afflictions caused by the demonic
- Insanity/violent behaviour: Matt. 8.28; Mk. 5.1-5
- Inability to speak/dumb: Matt. 9.25
- Blindness: Matt. 12.22
- Epilepsy: Lk. 9.39
- Self-destructive tendencies: Matt. 17.15

Not all illness is attributed to demonic influence/power  
[cf. Matt. 4:24; Mk. 1:32; Lk. 7:21 are summary statements that list the demonized as a separate category different from other diseases.]

### 3 Jesus' Victory Over Satan (Matt. 4:1-11 and parallels)

Overcoming Satan's Tricks	Focus	Victory Principles	Our Temptations
1st Temptation			
2nd Temptation			
3rd Temptation			

#### Jesus' Temptations: Satan's Attack on Christ

Intensely personal nature of the attack

- Physical/material needs

- Personal desires

- Pressing loyalty/trust

Intentionally aimed at Christ's calling/mission  
identity of Christ is challenged

Christ's victory

- God's word
- Faith and Obedience
- Worship/Spirit-filled

Satan will return to harass

#### Jesus' Triumph Over Satan

Mk. 3:27 In fact, no one can enter a strong man's house and carry off his possessions unless he first ties up the strong man. Then he can rob his house.

Lk. 10:18-19 He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

### 4 Jesus' Exorcism in the Gospels

Jesus' power demonstrates the reality or arrival of God's kingdom [God's kingly rule], cf. Matt. 12.25-29; Mk. 3.23-27; Lk. 11.17-22.

Jesus confronts a league of hostile forces under

"Beelzebub" [i.e., Satan], cf. Matt. 12.26-27.

People are freed and liberated from the oppression of powers of darkness, becoming recipients of God's blessing.

Jesus confers authority upon his disciples, *cf. Matt. 10.8; Mk. 3.13-19; 6.7-13; Lk. 9.1-2.*

There is no magic formula or procedure in Jesus' exorcism – just His authority, *cf. Matt. 8.28-34.*

Deliverance might depend on the prayers and faith of others *cf. Matt. 17:19-20; Mk. 9:19, 23-24, 29.*

The conflict between the forces of darkness and God's children remains in the present age, though the final outcome is assured, *cf. Matt. 13.36-43; 25.41.*

## 5 Tips for Quick Reference

- Any circumstances could be used by Satan; our Responses to “testing circumstances” reflect our faith condition.
- Temptations are not unavoidable Traps but Faith-stretching opportunities to experience God's power & grace.
- Our awareness of spiritual warfare indicates the working of God's Spirit.
- Every time we give in to temptation, we give up our freedom to do the right thing, and we give way to Satan to gain a foothold in our life.
- The more intense the temptation, the higher are the stakes.

## Wise Counsel on Strategy and Weapons: Paul's Advice on Taking a Stance against Spiritual Forces of Evil

*Eph. 6:12* 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.

### 1 References to the Powers of Darkness in Paul's Letters

Satan	<i>Rom. 16:20; 1 Cor. 5:5; 7:5; 2 Cor. 2:11; 11:14; 12:7; 1 Thess. 2:18; 2 Thess. 2:9; 1 Tim. 1:20; 5:15</i>
Devil	<i>Eph. 4:27; 6:11; 1 Tim. 3:6, 7; 2 Tim. 2:26</i>
Evil One	<i>Eph. 6:16; 2 Thess. 3:3</i>
Prince/Ruler	<i>Eph. 2:2</i>
Spirit	<i>Eph. 2:2</i>
Belial	<i>2Cor. 6:15</i>
The Enemy	<i>1 Tim. 5:14</i>
The Serpent	<i>2 Cor. 11:3</i>
The Tempter	<i>1 Thess. 3:5</i>
God of this world/age	<i>2 Cor. 4:4</i>
Angel	<i>2 Cor. 11:14</i>
Principalities	<i>Rom. 8:38; 1 Cor. 15:24; Eph. (Rulers) 1:21; 3:10; 6:12; Col. 1:16; 2:10, 15</i>
Powers/authorities	<i>1 Cor. 15:24; Eph. 1:21; 2:2; 3:10; 6:12; Col. 1:16; 2:10, 15</i>
Powers	<i>Rom. 8:38; Eph. 1:21</i>
Dominions	<i>Eph. 1:21; Col. 1:16</i>
Thrones	<i>Col. 1:16</i>
Angels/messengers	<i>Rom. 8:38; 1 Cor. 4:9; 6:3; 2 Cor. 12:7; Col. 2:18</i>
World rulers/powers	<i>Eph. 6:12</i>

Spiritual Hosts/Forces	<i>Eph. 6:12</i>
Rulers	<i>1 Cor. 2:6, 8</i>
Elemental Spirits	<i>Gal. 4:3, 8; Col. 2:8, 20</i>
Demons	<i>1 Cor. 10:20-21; 1 Tim. 4:1</i>

Satan and cosmic “powers” of darkness are considered to be transcendent personal beings who, though created by God, have become evil, ordered in a hierarchical manner, and are engaging in activities against God and His people.

## 2 The Call for Spiritual Discernment

2 Cor. 2:11: “...in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.”

Spiritual discernment is an integral part of Christian responsibility; a clear understanding of Satan’s schemes enables Christ-followers to develop a winning strategy to combat Satan’s subversive and diabolic schemes.

Eph. 2:1: As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, 2in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. 3All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our sinful nature and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature objects of wrath.

Satan’s attack involves ...

- the social context – political systems,
- societal attitudes, values,

- interpersonal relationships & behaviours
- the “unseen” realm – supernatural domains
- the “flesh” – inner selfish drives/desires

## 3 “The God of this Age” (2Cor. 4:4): Satan’s Role in the World

- Non-believers are under diabolic influence and Satan holds
- unbelieving humanity in captivity (cf. *Eph. 2:1-2*).
- He is connected to non-Christian religions and idolatry/demonic activities (cf. *1Cor. 8:5; 10:19-21*)
- He opposes God’s purposes and seeks to sabotage His plans (cf. *Parable of the Sower, Matt. 13:19*).

## 4 Satan’s “Schemes” (Eph. 6:11): Demonic Attacks on Believers

- Temptations (*1 Thess. 3:5; cf. Gal. 4:8-9*)
- Any sinful activity/immorality gives a foothold to the devil (*Eph. 4:26-27; 2 Cor. 6:14-7:1*)
- Physical Afflictions/Suffering (*2 Cor. 12:7; cf. Rom. 8:34-39*)
- Christian Leadership (*1Tim. 3:1-7*)
- Deceptions/False Teachings (*2 Cor. 11:14; cf. 2 Thess. 2:9; 1Tim. 4:1; 2Tim. 2:26*)
- Interpersonal Conflicts/Disunity (*2 Cor. 2:5-11*)
- Family (*1 Cor. 7:5; 1Tim. 5:14-15*)
- Ministry/Missions (*1 Thess. 2:18*)
- God’s instrument of discipline (*1 Cor. 5:1-13; 1Tim. 1:20*)

## 5 Satan's Limitation and Defeat

- He has no full knowledge of God's saving plan (1 Cor. 2:6-8).
- Jesus' death & resurrection disarmed demonic powers, took captive of the powers of darkness, and declared His supremacy over Satan, sin & death (Eph. 1:15-23; Col. 1:13; 2:14-15; cf. Gen. 3:15; 1Jn. 3:8).
- We have been transferred from the kingdom of darkness to the kingdom of Light (Col. 1:13-14).
- Christ's power is made available to His people; our victory over Satan is assured (Eph. 1:15ff.; Rom. 8:28ff.; 16:20).

## 6 Paul's Strategy for Victorious Living

- Let our Christian identity determines our day-to-day living (Rom. 6:1ff.; 8:1ff.).
- Disciple our bodies and develop wholesome habits (Rom. 6:13ff.; 12:1; cf. 1 Cor. 10:31)
- Develop a Christian mind (Rom. 12:2; 2 Cor. 10:3-6; cf. Eph. 4:14).
- "Sanctify" on our emotions (Eph. 4:26-27; Gal. 5:22; cf. Phil. 4:6-8)
- Get away from tempting circumstances; there's always a way out (1 Cor. 10:13; cf. James 4:7).
- Discern the Spirit's guidance with the "Body of Christ"/ the church (Eph. 5:18ff.; Col. 3:15-16).
- Put on the Armor of God (Eph. 6:10-20).

## The Art of War: Using V-Day Power for Our D-Day Realities

### 1 D-Day Realities In Perspectives

- There is power in Jesus' advocacy (Lk. 22:32; cf. Rom. 8:26-27).
- Satan is a fallen being and judged (Lk. 10:18; Jn. 16:11).
- Jesus' victory over the forces of darkness is described as "doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil" (Acts 10:38).
- The community of faith's overcoming of the demonic is an extension of Christ's ministry (Acts 5:16; 8:5-8).
- Satan's power can be broken or resisted (Matt. 4:1ff.; Acts 26:18; Jas. 4:7; 1 Pe. 5:8-9).
- God's power is seen in and through human instrumentality (Acts 19:11-12).
- Satan can be God's instrument purposes and disciplining His people (1 Cor. 5:5; 1 Tim. 1:20).
- Satan is under God's authority (Rev. 20:2, 7, 20).

### 2 Appropriating V-Day Power

- We must re-evaluate our "anti-supernatural or non-spiritual warfare worldview" in light of Scriptures.
- Keeping an intimate relationship with God is non-negotiable (James 4:7-8; Ps. 91:9ff.).

• Identify areas of our life that are most vulnerable to Satan’s attack:

- > False religions, witchcraft, sorcery, channeling (1Sam. 28; cf. Lev. 19:26)
- > Past influences, including intergenerational factors (1Ki. 15:3, 25; 16:29ff.; 22:51-53)
- > Habitual sins (Eph. 4:27)
- > Demonic deceptions, temptations, physical attack (Matt. 4:1ff.)
- > New stage in life or new transitions
- > Outreach, missions, & Christian service

Dealing with Vulnerable Areas:

- : Turn away from ungodly involvement or any occult activities/magical practices (1Thess. 1:9).
  - : Say “NO!” to unwholesome lifestyle or pattern of living, behaviours, and affiliations/associations (1Ki. 15:3; 22:52).
  - : Turn from and confess sins (1Jn. 1:9) and seek community support/accountability (James 5:13-16).
  - : walk in the way of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22ff.; Eph. 5:18ff.).
- Know your identity and resources in Christ

**Christian Identity** (Eph. 1-2)

What God has done for us	What we now possess
1:5	1:6
1:8	1:7
1:13	1:9
2:5	1:13
2:6	1:18

2:8	1:19
2:13	1:23
2:19	2:4
2:2	2:5
	2:13,18
	2:14
	2:16
	2:19
	2:20
	2:22

**Armour of God (Eph. 6:13-17)**

Components of the Armour	Essential Meanings	Community Applications
Belt of Truth	Live authentically with one another.	Speak to one another lovingly & constructively.
Breastplate of Righteousness	Realize our status before God; develop character.	Live in humility and ask WWJD in every trying circumstance.
Sandals of Peace	Break down walls of separation; maintain unity.	Accept one another and forgive one another.
Shield of Faith	Trust in God’s power of life transformation.	Challenge each other to look beyond the obvious.
Helmet of Salvation	Find our security in our identity in Christ.	Motivate with grace & gratitude, instead of shame, guilt, & fear.
Sword of the Spirit	Know & apply Scriptures to day-to-day living.	Encourage and empower each other with God’s unchanging principles.

- Be connected with the community of faith  
(Heb. 10:19-25).
- Resist the Evil One by putting the deeds of the flesh to death and by imitating Jesus (Rom. 8:1ff.; Eph. 5:1-7; Col. 3:1-17).
- Develop prayer warriors (Eph. 6:18-20; Col. 4:2-6).
  - > On all occasions
  - > With all kinds of prayers
  - > For all the Lord's people
  - > For missions/service opportunities
  - > With alertness and in thankfulness
- Join in God's redemptive mission (Matt. 28:18-20)

### **Discern the promptings/guidance of the Spirit**

- The leading of the Spirit can be witnessed in personal or common sense experience (2 Tim. 1:5-7).
- The prompting of the Spirit can be observed in extraordinary means/circumstances (Acts 10.1-18).
- The voice of the Holy Spirit can be heard in Spirit-inspired scriptures (2Pe. 1.20-21; 2Tim.3.16).
- The guidance of the Spirit can be affirmed by the community of faith (Acts 13.1-3; Eph. 5.18-20; Col. 3.16-17).
- The direction of the Spirit can be heard in wise and discerning counsel (1 Cor. 12.8; Eph. 5.18-20; Col. 3.16-17).
- The evidence of the Spirit's prompting is found in life transformation (Rom. 8.5-8; Gal. 5.22-26).

### **Warfare Prayers:**

*This is a powerful daily prayer written by John Eldredge, a well-known Christian author and speaker. The prayer is Trinitarian in structure (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), focuses on the different aspects of Christ's work for us (crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension), and takes seriously the reality of spiritual warfare. The prayer is thoroughly rooted in scripture, and is well worth praying every day.*

My dear Lord Jesus I come to you now to be restored in you, to be renewed in you, to receive your love and your life, and all the grace and mercy I so desperately need this day. I honor you as my Sovereign, and I surrender every aspect of my life totally and completely to you. I give you my spirit, soul and body, my heart, mind, and will. I cover myself with your blood – my spirit, soul, and body, my heart, mind and will. I ask your Holy Spirit to restore me in you, renew me in you, and to lead me in this time of prayer. In all that I now pray, I stand in total agreement with your Spirit, and with my intercessors and allies, by your Spirit alone.

*(The next paragraph is for those with a spouse and/or children. If not applicable, jump down to the paragraph after next.)*

In all that I now pray, I include (my spouse and/or children, by name). I bring them under your authority and covering, as I come under your authority and covering. I cover (spouse and/or children, by name) with your blood – their spirit, soul and body, their heart, mind and will. I ask your Spirit to restore them in you, renew them in you, and apply to them all that I now pray on their behalf.

Dear God, holy and victorious Trinity, you alone are worthy of all my worship, my heart's devotion, all my praise, all my trust and all the glory of my life. I love you, I worship you, I trust you. I give myself over to you in my heart's search for life. You alone are Life, and you have become my life. I renounce all other gods, all idols, and I give you the place in my heart and in my life that you truly deserve. I confess here and now that this is all about you, God, and not about me. You are the Hero of this story, and I belong to you. Forgive me for my every sin. Search me and know me and reveal to me where you are working in my life, and grant to me the grace of your healing and deliverance, and a deep and true repentance.

Heavenly Father, thank you for loving me and choosing me before you made the world. You are my true Father — my Creator, my Redeemer, my Sustainer, and the true end of all things, including my life. I love you, I trust you, I worship you. I give myself over to you to be one with you in all things, as Jesus is one with you. Thank you for proving your love by sending Jesus. I receive him and all his life and all his work, which you ordained for me. Thank you for including me in Christ, for forgiving me my sins, for granting me his righteousness, for making me complete in him. Thank you for making me alive with Christ, raising me with him, seating me with him at your right hand, establishing me in his authority, and anointing me with your Holy Spirit, your love and your favor. I receive it all with thanks and give it total claim to my life — my spirit, soul, and body, my heart, mind and will. I bring the life and the work of Jesus over (spouse and/or children, by name) and over my home, my household, my vehicles, finances, all my kingdom and domain.

Jesus, thank you for coming to ransom me with your own life. I love you, I worship you, I trust you. I give myself over to you, to be one with you in all things. And I receive all the work and all of the triumph of your cross, death, blood and sacrifice for me, through which I am atoned for, I am ransomed and transferred to your kingdom, my sin nature is removed, my heart is circumcised unto God, and every claim made against me is disarmed this day. I now take my place in your cross and death, through which I have died with you to sin, to my flesh, to the world, and to the evil one. I take up the cross and crucify my sin nature with all its pride, arrogance, unbelief, and idolatry (and anything else you are currently struggling with). I put off the old self. I ask you to apply to me the fullness of your cross, death, blood and sacrifice. I receive it with thanks and give it total claim to my spirit, soul and body, my heart, mind and will.

Jesus, I also sincerely receive you as my life, my holiness and strength, and I receive all the work and triumph of your resurrection, through which you have conquered sin and death and judgment. Death has no mastery over you, nor does any foul thing. And I have been raised with you to a new life, to live your life — dead to sin and alive to God. I now take my place in your resurrection and in your life, through which I am saved by your life. I reign in life through your life. I receive your life — your humility, love and forgiveness, your integrity in all things, your wisdom, discernment and cunning, your strength, your joy, your union

with the Father. Apply to me the fullness of your resurrection. I receive it with thanks and give it total claim to my spirit, soul and body, my heart, mind and will.

Jesus, I also sincerely receive you as my authority, rule, and dominion, my everlasting victory against Satan and his kingdom, and my ability to bring your Kingdom at all times and in every way. I receive all the work and triumph of your ascension, through which you have judged Satan and cast him down, you have disarmed his kingdom. All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to you, Jesus. All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to you, and you are worthy to receive all glory and honor, power and dominion, now and forevermore. And I have been given fullness in you, in your authority. I now take my place in your ascension, and in your throne, through which I have been raised with you to the right hand of the Father and established in your authority. I now bring the kingdom of God, and the authority, rule and dominion of Jesus Christ over my life today, over my home, my household, my vehicles and finances, over all my kingdom and domain.

I now bring the authority, rule and dominion of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the fullness of the work of Christ, against Satan, against his kingdom, against every foul and unclean spirit come against me. (At this point you might want to name the spirits that you know have been attacking you). I bring the full work of Jesus Christ against every foul power and black art, against every human being and their warfare. I bind it all from me in the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ and in his Name.

Holy Spirit, thank you for coming. I love you, I worship you, I trust you. I sincerely receive you and all the work and victory in Pentecost, through which you have come, you have clothed me with power from on high, sealed me in Christ. You have become my union with the Father and the Son, become the Spirit of truth in me, the life of God in me, my Counselor, Comforter, Strength, and Guide. I honor you as my Sovereign, and I yield every dimension of my spirit, soul and body, my heart, mind and will to you and you alone, to be filled with you, to walk in step with you in all things. Fill me afresh. Restore my union with the Father and the Son. Lead me in all truth, anoint me for all of my life and walk and calling, and lead me deeper into Jesus today. I receive you with thanks, and I give you total claim to my life.

Heavenly Father, thank you for granting to me every spiritual blessing in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus. I claim the riches in Christ Jesus over my life today, my home, my kingdom and domain. I bring the blood of Christ over my spirit, soul, and body, my heart, mind and will. I put on the full armor of God – the belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, shoes of the gospel, helmet of salvation. I take up the shield of faith and sword of the Spirit, and I choose to wield these weapons at all times in the power of God. I choose to pray at all times in the Spirit.

Thank you for your angels. I summon them in the authority of Jesus Christ and command them to destroy the kingdom of darkness throughout my kingdom and domain, destroy all that is raised against me, and to establish your Kingdom throughout my kingdom and domain. I ask you to send forth your Spirit to raise up prayer and intercession for me this day. I now call forth the kingdom of the Lord Jesus Christ throughout my home, my family, my kingdom and my domain, in the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ, with all glory and honor and thanks to him.

### ***Sunday Worship Service***

11:00 am

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