

# Enquiring Minds #1

## Who Are We Fighting and How do We Fight Them?

### Ephesians 6:10-20

February 5, 2023

Sermon Sketch: Engaged in a cosmic battle, we fight against powerful spiritual forces with even more powerful resources the Father provides for us...

- 1) How have you sensed God's presence in your life in the past week? (The Mighty God in Our Midst 1/29/23)
- 2) How regularly aware are you of being in a Cosmic battle? Have you ever sensed the presence of demonic forces nearby you?
- 3) Have you ever regularly made a habit of "putting on" the whole armor of God as it is listed in Eph. 6? How might it change your day to start each day dressing in both your physical clothes for the day, and the spiritual outfit God has chosen for you?
- 4) How critical is our thought life (Rom. 12:2, 2 Cor. 10:3-5, Eph. 6:16, Phil. 4:8, Col. 3:2) in terms of the battle waged against us by Satan and his forces? What strongholds in your life would you love to see torn down by taking your thoughts captive to Christ?
- 5) In light of the list of armor (6:14-17) immediately being followed by Paul's injunction to pray always, do you believe there is any way to overstate the importance of prayer in spiritual warfare? How does this encourage you to rekindle a fire in your heart for prayer?
- 6) What is your general posture with regard to spiritual warfare: are you on the offensive (Matt. 16:18, Rom. 8:37, 1 John 4:4), or defensive? How might we adopt an offensive attitude and yet remain humble (Jude 9)?
- 7) Have you ever found yourself obsessing of spiritual warfare issues? How does keeping our eyes on Jesus protect us from going overboard?
- 8) How comforting is it that Jesus is on our side (Rom. 8:31)?
- 9) How might you be intentional in the week ahead to cover the back of a brother or sister in our fellowship?