

# SPIRITUAL WARFARE

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*Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. 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. (Ephesians 6:10-12)*

## **AWE VS. AWARENESS**

"There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves are equally pleased by both errors and hail a materialist or a magician with the same delight."

*(C.S. Lewis, The Screwtape Letters)*

## **UNDERSTANDING THE SPIRITUAL REALM**

- A. What are angels and demons?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- B. What do we know about demons?
  - 1. Demons are created, finite beings (2 Peter 2:4)
  
  
  
  
  
  - 2. Demons are "personal" beings (Matthew 8:29)
  
  
  
  
  
  - 3. Demons are numerous, but not more so than angels (Revelation 12:4)
  
  
  
  
  
  - 4. Why do we tend to see more overt demonic manifestation in certain parts of the world?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- C. What are demons capable of doing?

## WHAT DO CHRISTIANS NEED TO KNOW ABOUT DEALING WITH DEMONS?

A. How to recognize direct demonic involvement and manifestations

B. Our authority in Christ is our first and greatest weapon

1. Luke 9:1-2

2. Luke 9:49-50

3. Luke 10:1-20

4. But what about the apostle's exorcism fail? (Mark 9:17-29)

C. Before the battle start

The key to victory in conflicts with spiritual forces is

1. Preparation

2. Awareness

3. Courage