

Week 4

In whatever battles we have in life—battling for faith or battling temptation and sin, such as anger, fear, jealousy, selfishness, unkindness, self-centeredness—the real battle is a spiritual battle. Satan wants us to sin and does not want us to trust God. He wants to deceive us, keeping us from knowing or believing the truth, and he wants to destroy us.

Read Ephesians 6:10-13

QUESTIONS for THOUGHT:

- 1) What does Paul tell us to do when we are attacked by Satan and his helpers?
- 2) Does Paul tell us to attack Satan?
- 3) Why can we stand firm in the face of such a powerful enemy? Whose job is it to defeat Satan?

TURN YOUR EYES

VERSE 1

Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in His wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow
strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace

VERSE 2

Turn your eyes to the hillside
Where justice and mercy embraced
There the Son of God gave His life for us
And our measureless debt was erased

CHORUS

Jesus, to You we lift our eyes
Jesus, our glory and our prize
We adore You, behold You,
our Savior ever true
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to You

VERSE 3

Turn your eyes to the morning
And see Christ the lion awake
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone
For we carry His life in our veins

VERSE 4

Turn your eyes to the heavens
Our King will return for His own
Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout
'All glory to Jesus alone!'

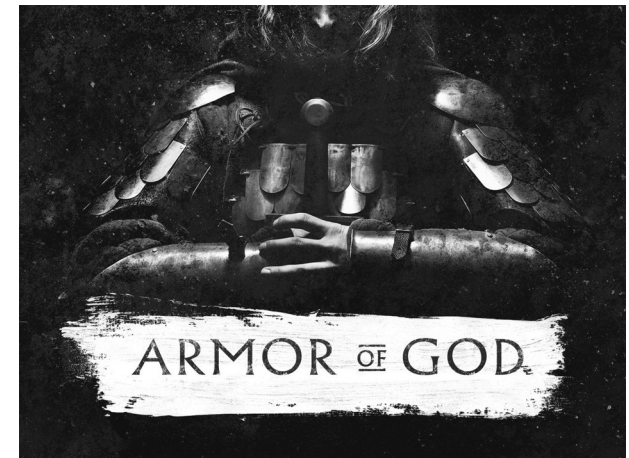
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September Memory Verse Song & Devotions

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil."

Ephesians 6:10-11



Week 1

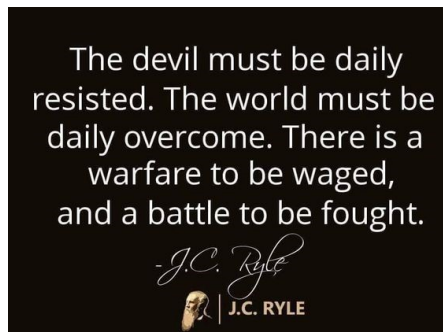
Suppose you are on a basketball team and your coach reminds you of all the aspects you need to remember to play the game. The team you are playing against is stronger, taller, and faster. This is your toughest opponent yet, How do you beat them?

This is kind of the situation that Paul is in. He has reminded them throughout Ephesians of all the spiritual blessings that we have in Christ. We have a new life, we are given truth, grace, and power to walk everyday. Paul, according to verse 10—11 knows the winning strategy.

Read the verses together (Ephesians 6:10-11)

QUESTIONS for THOUGHT:

- 1) The verses show us that we are in a battle. Describe that battle.
- 2) Jesus fully understands our battle, because He battled Satan the whole time he was on earth. Can you give some examples?
- 3) According to these Ephesians 6:10-11, how are we to be strengthened?



Week 2

The alligator snapping turtle is the largest freshwater turtle in North America. It is also a very cunning predator. It lies very still in the water, looking very much like a rock. However, it sticks out its tongue, wiggling it around so that it looks like a worm. This is the way the turtle lures its prey. Fish and frogs are deceived by the worm like tongue and are quickly devoured. We as Christians also have a cunning predator who is a deceiver and his aim is to destroy our lives. If he can lure you away from God, he can trap you and seek to ruin your life.

QUESTIONS for THOUGHT:

- 1) In verses 10-11 what does the word scheme mean?
- 2) What kind of schemes does the devil use to trick us?
- 3) What hope are we given in verse 11 to help us in our fight against the devil? Can you name the resources that God has given us ? (Hint : v. 13-18)



Week 3

Have you ever looked at pond water under a microscope? What looks like just a spot of water can actually be a swarm of activity as tiny living things. Hidden activity and life happening but not visible to the Human eye. In the same way there is hidden Activity happening around us every day. It is the activity of the spiritual realm. This is a Spiritual battle for the souls of men.

QUESTIONS for THOUGHT:

- 1) Read verses 12-13. What does Paul mean by “flesh and blood”?
- 2) Who does Paul tell us that we are wrestling against?
- 3) Can you identify times when Satan and his demons have tried to deceive you? What did you do or could you do to resist them?

“Cowards never won heaven. Do not claim that you are begotten of God and you have His royal blood running in your veins unless you can prove your lineage by His heroic spirit: to dare to be holy in spite of men and devils.”

—William Gurnall
“The Christian in Complete Armor”