

Paul - His Theology



Paul and Spiritual Warfare

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Who is the enemy?

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

Matthew 4:1

Who is the enemy?

"Then He will also say to those on His left,
'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the
eternal fire which has been prepared for the
devil and his angels;"

Matthew 25:41

Who is the enemy?



Then Jesus said to him, "Begone, Satan ! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and serve Him only.'" Then the devil left Him; and behold, angels came and began to minister to Him.

Matthew 4:10-11

What is spiritual warfare?

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

Ephesians 6:10-11

What is spiritual warfare?

"Keep watching and praying, that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Matthew 26:41-42

What is spiritual warfare?

But I say, walk by the Spirit , and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit , and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.

Galatians 5:16-17

Who is in the battle?



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Warriors – Christians who are engaged in the battle

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Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of His might. Put on the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Ephesians 6:11-13

Who is in the battle?

"But the prince of the kingdom of Persia was withstanding me for twenty-one days; then behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left there with the kings of Persia."

Daniel 10:13

Where is the battle fought?

In our minds!

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Romans 12:2

Where is the battle fought?

In our flesh!

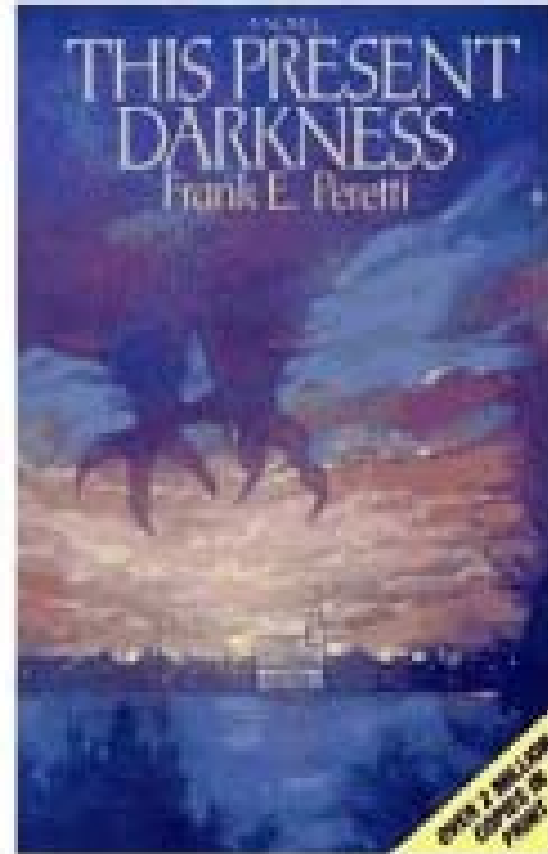
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Galatians 5:16-17

How do we fight the battle?

What not to do!

Do not
become
conceited or
arrogant.



How do we fight the battle?

Through faith in Jesus Christ!

And seven sons of one Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this. And the evil spirit answered and said to them, "I recognize Jesus, and I know about Paul, but who are you?" And the man, in whom was the evil spirit, leaped on them and subdued all of them and overpowered them, so that they fled out of that house naked and wounded.

Acts 19:14-16

How do we fight the battle?

Through prayer!

"This kind cannot come out by anything but prayer ."



Mark 9:29

How do we fight the battle?

Through prayer!

“With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints,...”



Ephesians 6:18

How do we fight the battle?

Through meditation!

Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things.

Philippians 4:8

How do we fight the battle?

Through meditation!

We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,

2 Corinthians 10:5

How do we fight the battle?

Through God's word!

Therefore, take up the full armor of God, that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming missiles of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit,...

Ephesians 6:13-18