

Overcoming Personal Struggles - Week 7

The Spiritual Battle

Introduction

Ephesians 4:26-27; James 4:7; 1 Peter 5:8-9; Hebrews 2:14

The Nature of the Spirit Battle

Ephesians 6:10-13

The main goal of spiritual warfare is to stand firm.

The devil has many schemes to try to knock believers off their feet.

- Distance with God and others
- Disobedience
- Distractions
- Doubt & Distrust (in God's Sovereignty, Wisdom and Goodness)
- Doctrinal deviation
- Discord & Division
- Discouragement
- Deceptions
- Etc.

The Armor of God

1. The belt of truth (Isaiah 11:5)

2. The breastplate of righteousness (Isaiah 59:15-17)

3. The shoes of the gospel of peace (Psalm 89:14)

4. The shield of faith (Genesis 15:1; Psalm 18:2; 3:3; Proverbs 30:5)

5. The helmet of salvation (Isaiah 59:17; Psalm 140:7; 1 Thessalonians 5:8-9)

6. The sword of the Spirit (Isaiah 49:2; Hebrews 4:12; Revelation 1:16; 2:16; 19:15)