

"No, You're Not Paranoid... Everyone IS Watching"

1 Peter 2:11-12 PART **12**

Introduction

• those who cannot not speak out

- 1. The battle is raging.
 - the soldiers: *aliens & strangers*

Heb. 11:9-13; Lev. 25:23

- the command from the commander: urge
- the focus of battle: *fleshly lusts*

Gal. 5:19-21, 24; Jms. 4:1

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• the strategy to victory: abstain

1 Thess. 5:21-22; Job 1:1; Rom. 13:12-14; Gal. 5:16

"We are soldiers involved in a spiritual battle. There are sinful desires that war against us and want to defeat us (Gal. 5:16-26). Our real battle is not with people around us, but with passions within us."

— Warren Wiersbe

- 2. The world is watching.
 - slandered by God's enemies

Mt. 10:24-25

• yet keeping your behavior excellent

Conclusion

"The world takes its notions of God, most of all, from the people who say they belong to God's family. They read us a great deal more than they read the Bible. They see us; they only hear about Jesus Christ."

— Alexander MacLaren