

EXTINGUISH

WINNING YOUR
SPIRITUAL BATTLES

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EPHESIANS 6:16

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WHAT THE ENEMY NEVER SAYS...

- a. He never points out the sufficiency of God
- b. He never directs us to the contentment we find in Christ



1 TIMOTHY 6:6

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'But godliness with contentment is great gain'

The greatest gain comes from being satisfied with God and satisfied with what He has provided for us.

Q: How then does the enemy make progress against us?



JAMES 4:2-3

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'You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.'

Q: How does ASKING remove the opportunity for the enemy?



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JAMES 1:6-8

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'But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. ⁷For that person must not suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; 8he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.



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Q: Where do doubts come from and how can we defeat them? (hint...'doubting Thomas')



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Note: money, great ideas, good advice, careful negotiation, do not make a good shield. BUT, faith can put the ALL OUT.



PHILIPPIANS 4:7

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And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Q: Jesus is more concerned for your heart and mind than any other part of your being – but why?



PHILIPPIANS 4:5B-6

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The Lord is at hand; ⁶do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Note: Our prayers and specific requests, and thanks for what He will do are followed by His protection of your heart and mind.



2 CORINTHIANS 2:14

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But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere.

Note: THAT IS where our confidence comes from!



2 CORINTHIANS 10:3-6

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For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. ⁴For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. ⁵We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ,

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