

CHRISTIAN WARFARE

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Know Your Armour:

Ephesians 6:10, “Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.” 11, “Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.” 12, “For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” 13, “Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.” 14, “Stand therefore, having your **loins girt about with truth**, and having on **the breastplate of righteousness**,” 15, And your **feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace**,” 16, “Above all, taking **the shield of faith**, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.” 17, “And take **the helmet of salvation**, and **the sword of the Spirit**, which is the word of God:” 18, “**Praying always** with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;”

Isaiah 59:17, “For he put on **righteousness as a breastplate**, and **an helmet of salvation** upon his head; and he put on **the garments of vengeance for clothing**, and was **clad with zeal as a cloke**.”

Romans 13:12, “The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us **put on the armour of light**.”

2 Corinthians 6:7, “By the word of truth, by the power of God, **by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left**,”

The Soldier:

2 Timothy 2:3-4, “Thou therefore **endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ**. No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a **soldier**.”

2 Corinthians 10:3-5, “For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For **the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds**;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;”

The Example:

Exodus 14:14, “**The LORD shall fight for you**, and ye shall hold your peace.”

Hebrews 2:10, “For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in **bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings**.”

1 Peter 2:21, “For even hereunto were ye called: because **Christ also suffered for us**, leaving us an example, **that ye should follow his steps**.”

1 Timothy 6:12, “**Fight the good fight of faith**, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.”

Know Your Enemy

The Devil

Matthew 13:39a, “**The enemy that sowed them is the devil...**”

Matthew 25:41, “Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, **Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:**”

John 6:70, “Jesus answered them, **Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?**”

Acts 13:10, “And said, O **full of all subtilty and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord?**”

Ephesians 4:27, “**Neither give place to the devil.**”

1 Timothy 3:7, “Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; **lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.**”

2 Timothy 2:24-26, “And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but **be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.**”

James 4:7, “**Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.**”

1 Peter 5:8-9, “**Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith,** knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.”

1 John 3:8, “**He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning.** For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, **that he might destroy the works of the devil.**”

Jude 1:9, “Yet Michael the archangel, **when contending with the devil** he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, **The Lord rebuke thee.**”

Revelation 12:9, “And the **great dragon** was cast out, that **old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world:** he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.” And look at: Revelation 20:2, “And he laid hold on the **dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan,** and bound him a thousand years,”

Revelation 20:10, “And **the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone,** where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.”

The world

1 John 2:16, “For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.”

Mark 4:19, “And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful.”

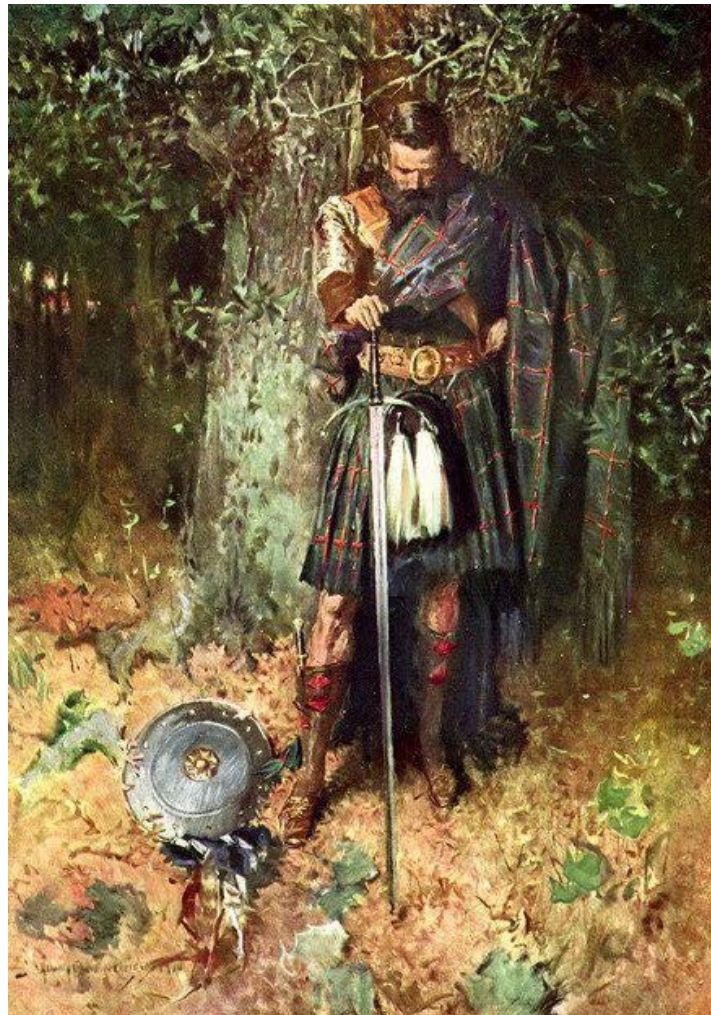
Mark 8:36, “For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?”

John 15:18-19, “If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.”

The Flesh

Galatians 5:19-21, “Now **the works of the flesh are manifest**, which are these; **Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness** (unnatural lustful perversion), **Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions** (rebellion), **heresies** (wrong doctrines), **Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings** (to party and you know what that means!), **and such like**: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not [go to heaven? NO!] **inherit the kingdom of God.**”

Galatians 5:22-24, “But **the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance**: against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's **have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.**”



TACTICS OF INFILTRATION

1. Espionage: Spying or using spies to obtain secret information.
2. Sabotage: (n) Willful damaging of machinery or materials, or disruption of work, by dissatisfied workmen or hostile agents. (v) To commit sabotage on. To destroy or render useless.
3. Camouflage: (1) a method of disguising or concealing objects by coloring or covering them so that they look like part of their surroundings. (2) The concealment itself.
4. Subversion: (1) from subvert; subverting; (2) To overthrow the authority of (a religion or government etc.) by weakening people's trust or belief.
5. Manipulation: (1) Influence, (2) Employment. (3) To change the perception or behavior of others through underhanded, deceptive, or abusive tactics. Shrewd or devious management. (4) To manage or influence skillfully, especially in an unfair manner.
6. Coercion: (1) Intimidation, (2) Oppression. (3) The practice of forcing another party to act in an involuntary manner by use of intimidation or threats or some other form of pressure or force. (4) It involves a set of various types of forceful actions that violate the free will of an individual to induce a desired response, usually having a strict choice or option against a person in such a way a victim cannot escape. (5) This power is used in Manipulation.
7. Force: (1) Power, (2) Energy, (3) Strength. (4) Any interaction that, when unopposed, will change the motion of an object and can cause an object with mass to change its velocity (which includes to begin moving from a state of rest), i.e., to accelerate. (5) Force can also be described by intuitive concepts such as a push or a pull. (6) A force has both magnitude and direction, making it a vector quantity. (7) This power is used in Manipulation and Coercion.
8. Perverse: (1) Obstinate doing something different from what is reasonable or required, intractable. (2) Indicating or characterized by a tendency of this kind, *a perverse satisfaction*. (3) Non-Verse, in words or script, to pervert the verse.
9. Perversion: (1) Perverting, being perverted. (2) A perverted form of something. (3) A preference for a form of sexual activity that is considered abnormal or unacceptable. (4) To pervert the Scriptures; Non-Verse, in words or script, to pervert the verse. (5) A corrupt version.
10. Pervert: (1) to turn (a thing) from its proper course or use, *pervert the course of justice*. (2) to lead astray from right behavior or beliefs, to corrupt.
11. Pervert: (1) a perverted person, one showing perversion of sexual instincts. (2) Non-Vertical or crooked; Bent towards evil.
12. Infiltrate: To enter gradually and without being noticed.
13. Tactics: Planning or planning skillfully.
14. Tactic: (1) a means of accomplishing a goal. (2) the act of placing or maneuvering forces skillfully in a battle. (3) any maneuvering, a procedure adopted in order to achieve something.
15. Strategy: (1) the planning and directing of the whole operation of a campaign of war. (2) a plan or policy of this kind or to achieve something.
16. Stratagem: A cunning method of achieving something, a piece of trickery.
17. Strategic: (1) of strategy. (2) giving an advantage, a strategic position.
18. Subtle: (1) slight and difficult to detect or analyze. (2) making or able to make fine distinctions, having acute perception, (a subtle mind.) (3) ingenious, crafty.

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