A Series in Ephesians: The Spiritual Battle (Part 1) - Power

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The Spiritual Battle

Part 1 – The Power
Part 2 – The Enemy
Part 3 – The Gear

The Power

Where does this power come from? What kind of power is it? How is this power supposed to be used?

Ephesians 6:10-11

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

<u>Where Does This Power</u> <u>Come From?</u>



<u>Power In</u> This World

- Power comes from different places in many forms
- They all serve a purpose and sometimes it feels like a battle



What about power for a spiritual battle?



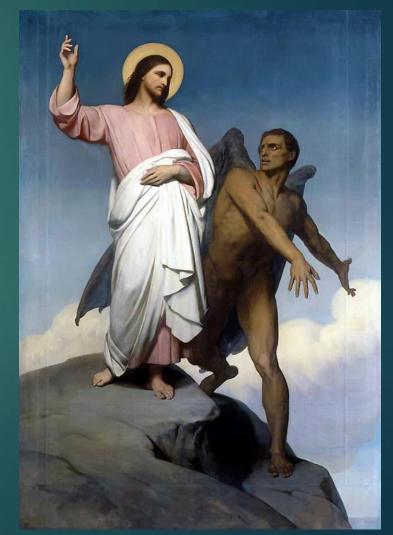
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But Why?

Humanity's Track Record

- Adam & Eve vs Serpent (Gen 3)
 - Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?"
- Judas's Betrayal (Luke 22)
 - 3 Then Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot, one of the Twelve. 4 And Judas went to the chief priests and the officers of the temple guard and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus.
- Peter's Denial (Luke 22)
 - 31 "Simon, Simon, Satan has asked to sift all of you as wheat. 32 But I have prayed for you, Simon, that your faith may not fail. And when you have turned back, strengthen your brothers."
- Paul's Thorn (2 Corinthians 12)
 - 7 or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me.

God's Track Record



What Kind Of Power Is It?

Examples of God's Power

God as creator
God as provider
God as healer
God as judge
But which is it ...



Ephesians 1:19 and 6:10

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10 Finally, <u>be</u> strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

Ephesians 1:19-23

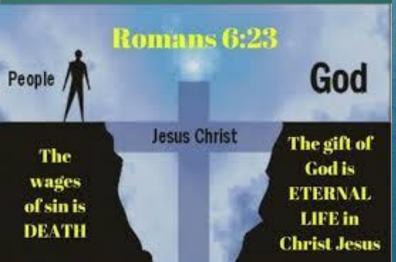
19 and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the working of his great might 20 that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. 22 And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

<u>How Is This Power</u> <u>Supposed To Be Used?</u>

Resurrection Power At Work

Old Life





New Life

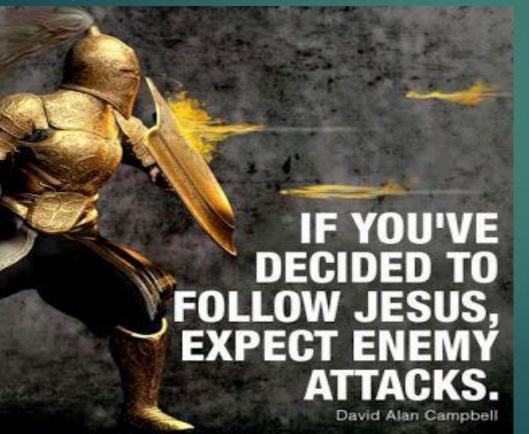


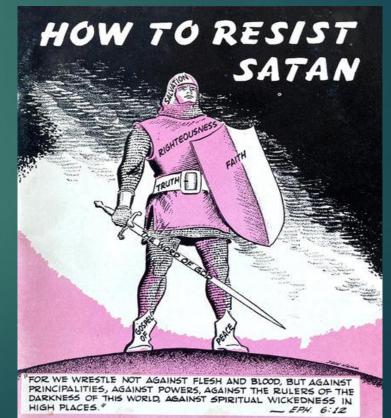
The Devil Doesn't Like It





11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.





CONCLUSION

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