

THE MIND GAMES

Part 6: Welcome To Warfare (Pt 2)

WELCOME TO WARFARE (2 Corinthians 10:3-5 NIV)

- ❖ Some pretty strong language
 - ◆ We are at war, but not a physical battle
 - ◆ We do have weapons - and they are God designed
 - ◆ We pull down strongholds and take thoughts captive
- ❖ Paul continues this battle theme (***Ephesians 6:10-12 NLT***)
 - ◆ Much hope in these verses
 - ◆ There is an unseen realm and we have to deal with it
- ❖ Much more than theory or philosophical (***Ephesians 6:13-18 NLT***)
 - ◆ God's armor gives us the advantage
 - ◆ Start with truth (***John 17:17 NKJV***)
 - ◆ Knowing you're on the right side - not because of what you have done
 - ◆ Wearing proper footwear - shoes of peace with God

THE SHIELD OF FAITH

- ❖ Dealing with the fiery darts
 - ◆ Flaming arrows meant to start a fire
 - ◆ Quench - means we can extinguish these arrows (thoughts, feelings, words that hurt)
- ❖ Practical application of the shield of faith
 - ◆ Faith has an action to it (***James 2:17 NKJV***)
 - ◆ One of the best actions of faith is speaking (***2 Corinthians 4:13 NKJV***)
 - ◆ Another great action is rejoicing and giving thanks (***Romans 4:20 NKJV***)
- ❖ The showdown in the wilderness (***Luke 4:1-8 NKJV***)
 - ◆ And the devil said
 - ◆ Jesus used scriptures not His divinity
 - ◆ Jesus gave us a pattern