

The Walk and Warfare of Discipleship Leadership

Lesson 6

“What it Really Means to Be A Disciple of Christ, and Get Other People to Follow You.”

1. Live Authentically – People are drawn to truth and integrity. We must walk the talk, embodying love, justice, and mercy in everyday life.

2. Meet People Where They Are – Instead of expecting people to come to us, we’ve go to go to them—meeting their needs, listening to their struggles, and offering hope.

3. Demonstrate Power Through Compassion – Miracles got attention, but they weren’t just for spectacle, they were acts of love. We must heal, restore, and uplift those who society ignores.

4. Challenge the Status Quo – People follow those who shake up the norm and offer a better way. We must speak truth to power, expose hypocrisy, and elevate the voices of the marginalized.

5. Teach in a Way That Sticks – Jesus used parables, simple stories with deep meaning. We must do the same, using modern language, media, and storytelling to reveal deeper truths.

6. Empower Others to Lead – Instead of making it all about us, we will raise up leaders, equipping them to continue the movement long after we're gone.

7. Offer a Vision of Something Greater – People follow what inspires them. We have to portray a picture of a kingdom built on love, justice, and peace, something worth sacrificing for.

At the core of everything that we do is love. A Love so undeniable and transformative that people couldn't help but be drawn into it.

John 15:7-10 KJV

7 "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love."

The Biblical Blueprint for Spiritual Warfare:

This Spiritual Warfare Blueprint Strategy, is based upon the principles and values of Bible scriptures, and will focus on faith, prayer, the Word of God, and righteous living. It is a very complex and detail strategy, that invokes both positive and

progressive actions, for the purpose of accomplishing a productive outcome. All of which is for the advancement of the Kingdom of God agenda, here on earth. This is not a plan for the religious faint at heart, this is high level discipleship discipline, development and a discomfort to the core of your spiritual conditioning. You have to be **FIT** to be connected to this spiritual strategy; so what is **FIT**?

FIT: Faith Infused Tendencies

Matured Spiritual Qualities

- **Confident - Absolute Certainty. Hebrews 10:35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.**
- **Trusting - Confident Assurance. Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.**
- **Boldness - Fearless and Unashamed Audacity. Act 4:31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.**
- **Diligence- Consistent and committed pursuit and intent. Proverbs 4:23 Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life.**
- **Prayerful - Devoted Pursuit and Communication with God. 1Thessalonians 5:17 Pray without ceasing.**

- Spirit-Filled - Controlled by God's inner Power and Presence. **Ephesians 5:18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;**
- Loving - **Hebrews 10:24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:**

When we follow the Scriptures as they are written and understood, we become the more empowered to do the work and become the disciples that Jesus called us to become. He said to follow Him and He would make us to become fishers of men (**Mark 1:17**). He also informs us in **Acts 1:8**, that we would receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon us, and we will become bold witnesses of Him, throughout the world.

Below are some principles and scriptures to be understood and embraced, if you are going to embrace the fullness of Spiritual Warfare.

God's Word on Spiritual Warfare

1. Recognize the Battle, Your Adversary and Your Armor.

- Ephesians 6:12 “ –For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.”

- 1 Peter 5:8 “ –Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.”

Pressure Point: Acknowledge that the battle is spiritual, not physical, and stay alert.

2. Put on the Full Armor of God

- Ephesians 6:13-17 “ –Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.”
- Belt of Truth – Stay rooted in God’s Word. (John 8:32)
- Breastplate of Righteousness – Live in holiness and obedience. (Proverbs 4:23)
- Shoes of the Gospel of Peace – Walk in faith and spread the Good News. (Romans 10:15)
- Shield of Faith – Trust in God to protect you. (Hebrews 11:6)
- Helmet of Salvation – Keep your mind focused on your identity in Christ. (Romans 12:2)
- Sword of the Spirit (God’s Word) – Use Scripture to resist the enemy. (Matthew 4:4)

Pressure Point: Daily equip yourself with the armor of God through prayer and Scripture.

3. Fight with Prayer and Fasting

- 2 Corinthians 10:4-5 “ –For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds.”
- James 5:16 “ –The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.”
- Matthew 17:21 “ –But this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting.”

Pressure Point: Engage in consistent prayer and fasting to break strongholds.

4. Resist the Devil and Stand Firm

- James 4:7 “ –Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.”
- 1 Corinthians 16:13 “ –Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.”

Pressure Point: When temptation comes, stand firm in faith, resist the devil, and he will flee.

5. Walk in the Authority of Christ

- Luke 10:19 “ –Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you.”

- Colossians 2:15 “ –He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.”

Pressure Point: Declare your authority in Christ and rebuke the enemy in Jesus 'name.

6. Use the Power of Worship and Praise

- 2 Chronicles 20:22 “ –And when they began to sing and praise, the Lord set an ambush against the men of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, who had come against Judah, so that they were routed.”
- Psalm 149:6 “ –Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand.”

Pressure Point: Worship and praise shifts the atmosphere and brings victory; practice being a worshipper.

7. Stay in Community and Accountability

- Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 “ –Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow.”
- Hebrews 10:25 “ –Not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

Pressure Point: Stay connected with other believers for strength and encouragement.

8. Walk in Love and Forgiveness

- Matthew 5:44 “ –But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.”
- 2 Corinthians 2:10-11 “ –Anyone whom you forgive, I also forgive... so that we would not be outwitted by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs.”

Pressure Point: Forgiveness shuts doors the enemy could use against you.

My Closing Words of Encouragement

- Romans 8:37 “ –No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.”
- 2 Timothy 1:7 “ –For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.”

Pressure Point: Stay in prayer, wear your spiritual armor daily, resist the enemy, and walk in victory!

