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What are you clinging to?

For we are not fighting against people made of flesh and blood, but against persons without bodies—the evil rulers of the unseen world, those mighty satanic beings and great evil princes of darkness who rule this world; and against huge numbers of wicked spirits in the spirit world.

Ephesians 6:12 (TLB)



The Unseen Battle

HOW WE LIVE, FIGHT AND STAND AS THE CHURCH

5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
And lean not on your own understanding;
6 In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He shall direct your paths

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NKJV)

1. Trust God, not your feelings

Proverbs 3:5 “Trust in the Lord with all your heart...”

“Trust is foundational to human life. We are wired to depend on something outside of ourselves in order to thrive. From infancy to old age, trust is essential for our well-being.”

- Jill Suttie, Psy. D



The heart is deceitful above all things,

And desperately wicked;

Who can know it?

Jeremiah 17:9 KJV

In your anger do not sin: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry, and **do not give the devil a foothold.**

Ephesians 4:26-27 NIV

Because of Jesus (Ephesians 1):

- You are **blessed with every spiritual blessing** in Christ (v. 3)
- You are **chosen** before the foundation of the world (v. 4)
- You are **holy and blameless** in His sight (v. 4)
- You are **loved** by God (v. 4–5)
- You are **predestined** for **adoption** (v. 5)
- You are **adopted** as **God's child** through Jesus (v. 5)
- You are **accepted** in the Beloved (v. 6)
- You are **redeemed** through Jesus' blood (v. 7)
- You are **forgiven** of all your sins (v. 7)
- You are a **recipient** of God's grace, **lavished** on you (v. 7–8)

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- “Incline your heart to **understanding**” (Proverbs 2:2)
- “Raise your voice for **understanding**” (Proverbs 2:3)
- “**Understanding** will guard you” (Proverbs 2:11)
- “Blessed is the one who . . . gets **understanding**” (Proverbs 3:13)

*“What we’re told not to lean on is our ‘own understanding,’ meaning conclusions based primarily on our own perceptions. **Because our own understanding simply will not bear the full weight of reality.** It was never intended to.”*

- Jon Bloom



The enemy doesn't just want you to think —
he wants your thinking to replace your trusting.

What are you clinging to?

1. Trust God, not your feelings
2. Trust God, not your own understanding
3. ***Trust God, without distraction***

***Proverbs 3:6 “In all your ways acknowledge Him,
And He shall direct your paths....”***

“Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints.”

Ephesians 6:18 CSB

*Prayer didn't prepare them for the battle—
prayer was the battle*

What are you clinging to?

...hate what is evil;
cling to what is good.

(Romans 12:9)