

“In Christ: Fighting Worthy”
Ephesians 4:17-5:2

God Makes a Holy and Righteous Way for His Holy and Righteous Children to Fight!

- A holy and righteous fight is still a fight – Jo 16:33
- A holy and righteous fight doesn’t guarantee a temporal victory – II Tim 3:12; I Pet 4:12
- A holy and righteous fight does promise a holy and righteous resolution – I Pet 5:10; Acts 2:24

Four Reasons For Fighting Worthy

- 1) It is who we are – Eph 4:24
 - ...we are to be living demonstrations of our new reality in Christ – Eph 5:1
- 2) We are members of one another – Eph 4:25
 - ...we don’t live for/unto ourselves any longer – Phil 2:3
- 3) We do not want to give the devil an opportunity/ground – Eph 4:27
 - ...our battle is not with flesh and blood – Eph 6:12
- 4) We do not want to grieve the Holy Spirit – Eph 4:30
 - ...we have divinely powerful weapons at our disposal – II Cor 10:3-4

Put Off

The Objective to Control/Overpower/Win – Eph 4:18-19

...makes people fearful and mean

The Weapons of the Flesh – Eph 4:25,28,29,31

...how I act apart from God – Eph 4:18

...sow seeds of death – Ga 6:8

Judging with a View to Tear Down – Eph 4:29

...judgmental, fault finding mentality – Matt 7:1-5

Put On

The Objective to Love – Eph 5:2

...activates the fruit of the Spirit – Ga 5:22-23

The Weapons of the Spirit – Eph 4:25,29,32

...how I act in union with God – I Cor 6:17

...sow seeds of life – Ga 6:8

Judging with a View to Build Up – Eph 4:29

...address the need behind the fault
– Eph 4:29

CAVALRY WAS A HOLY FIGHT...

...to fight worthy is to take up the way of the cross!