# In Christ: Spiritual Warfare (Part 1) "There Shall Be Wars" - Ephesians 6:10-20

## God Never Promised Us Life on Earth Would Be Without Struggles - Jo 15:18-19; Jo 16:33

- It will be a fight to the finish, but not with an unknown outcome - II Tim 4:7,18; II Cor 2:14

#### THE REBELLION:

- The devil's "origins": Lucifer → Satan Is 14:3-27; Ezek 28:1-19
  - ...the introduction of a "second will" "my will" Is 14:13,14
  - ...the prayer of separation/death: "mine is the kingdom and the power and the glory" Ezek 28:6
- Adam and Eve bought his lie... and "fell" into separation and death Gen 2:16-17
  - ...and we in them Judges 17:6; Is 53:6; Ro 3:23; 5:12

### THE RECTIFICATION:

- God puts us back on course I Jo 3:8; 4:4; 5:4,5,18
  - ...the "Stronger" liberates us from the "strong" Lk 11:21-22
  - ...with weapons of the spirit: truth... righteousness... peace... faithfulness... deliverance... word(s) of God Eph 6:14-17
- "Thy Will" comes and declares war on "my will" Matt 26:39; Jo 16:11,33
  - ...we are supplied with the Saving Life of Christ Col 1:27; Ga 2:20

#### OUR RESPONSE:

- We stand in the strength of His might Eph 6:10,11,13,14
  - ...no weapon formed against Him/us can prosper Is 54:17
  - ...celebrating our indivisible union with Christ I Cor 6:17; I Jo 4:4; Ro 8:35ff
- We stand fully armored in Christ Eph 6:11
  - ...a "picture" of what it means to be "in Christ" Eph 1:3
  - ...standing in Christ: our Truth, our Righteousness, our Peace, our Faithful God, our Living Savior, our Word of God Eph 6:13-17
- We stand praying in the Spirit Eph 6:18
  - ... Christ-centered, Christ-consciousness, Christ-empowered praying Jo 14:13
  - ...bowing before the "Supplier" of all victory Jo 16:3; Eph 6:18