

Editorial

Esteemed Reader,

As a sequel to the last issue on “Know Your Enemy”, we are glad to publish a series of articles in this issue, urging Christians to be battle-ready with “The Whole Armour of God”. These articles are based on the exhortations of the Apostle Paul in Ephesians 6:10-17.

Every Christian ought to be combat-ready, for Satan and his devils are hot on his heel. Spiritual warfare is real. Vicious and relentless attacks are directed at him. An unprepared Christian has no possibility of escaping the ferocious onslaughts of Satan.

Satan’s mode of attack against Christians is complex and cunning that one cannot possibly know every subtle movement of his assault. In view of this, how should Christians deal with the craftiness and deceitfulness of this enemy?

The Scriptures exhort us, “Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil” (Ephesians 6:11). What matters most is that we are fastened securely with the whole armour of God that we may stand up to the army of our wicked assailants.

However severe the attacks may be, a fully-fortified Christian will be able to defend and parry such attacks, and to remain unscathed and safe. Paul wrote: “... take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand” (Ephesians 6:13).

Three times, Paul used the word “stand” in Ephesians 6:11-14 to indicate how strong and steadfast a Christian can be even when he is the target of Satan’s fierce fury. No Christian, who stands in the might of the Lord and is fully equipped with the whole armour of God, shall fall.

After exhorting Christians to put on the whole armour of God to stand against the wiles of the devil, Paul urged them to pray – “Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints” (Ephesians 6:18). While Satan and his hosts are constantly looking to defeat us in our spiritual battle, wouldn’t it be foolish of us not to seek help from our omnipotent God all the time? Prayer is the all-pervasive strategy in which spiritual warfare is to be fought.

Brethren, pray for us too. This magazine is produced with the sacrificial labour of a cheerful team of brethren. A photograph of the full-time staff of Bible Witness Media Ministry is published on the back cover page of this issue. We also have a list of the names of brethren who help us periodically with the publication of this magazine; and their names do appear on the inside of the front cover page. I covet your prayers for all of us who co-labour in the proclamation of God’s Word through the various channels of Bible Witness Media Ministry.

May God be pleased to spur you on through the pages of this magazine to stand in the might of the Lord to fight a good fight of faith. To God be the glory.

Yours faithfully in His service,

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