



# Living Beyond Yourself

## *A Study Through Ephesians*

### Part 30 – This Means War!

#### Spiritual Warfare

*"Sooner or later every believer discovers that the Christian life is a \_\_\_\_\_, not a playground, and that he faces an enemy who is much stronger than he is—apart from the \_\_\_\_\_."*  
Warren Wiersbe

Background - Ephesus had a reputation for magic – dark magic or what we might call "witchcraft" or sorcery.

Ephesians 2:1-3 - ... you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.

Acts 19:17 – 20 – ...18 Many of those who believed now came and openly confessed their evil deeds. 19 A number who had practiced sorcery brought their scrolls together and burned them publicly...

Ephesians 5:8-11 - For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light...

#### Ephesians 6:10-13

**10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.**

**12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.**

**13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.**

#### 1. Know Your Own \_\_\_\_\_ (verses 10,11)

- Awareness Of Our \_\_\_\_\_!  
Ephesians 1:18-19 - I pray ...that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,
- Apprehension of God's \_\_\_\_\_!  
19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe.  
Philippians 4:13 - I can do everything through Christ who gives me \_\_\_\_\_.
- Assurance of God's \_\_\_\_\_.  
Ephesians 3:17-19 - And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power ... to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ...

#### 2. Know your \_\_\_\_\_ (verses 11,12)

"The devil's cleverest trick is to make people believe that he does not exist. The devil may be out of \_\_\_\_\_ for some, but he's not out of \_\_\_\_\_."  
John 10:10 - The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy...  
About Satan:

#### 3. Get into battle position! (verse 13)

- Take a \_\_\_\_\_
- Take \_\_\_\_\_ seriously
- Be \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_
- Renew your \_\_\_\_\_