

# UNDERSTANDING BATTLES

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- ▶ To understand the battle we need to begin by acknowledging we are in a war. Our spiritual battles and warfare are real even though we cannot physically see the attacker.

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- ▶ The enemy would love nothing more than to discourage you and defeat you but we cannot and we will not let him win. The way that we win our battle is that we educate ourselves on how to fight the battles and we educate ourselves on what kind of battles we are fighting.

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- ▶ Principle #1 – Understand how to prepare for the battle.

## **Ephesians 6:10-11**

- <sup>10</sup> Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
- <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

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- ▶ Principle #2 – Understand who the opponent is in the battle.

## **Ephesians 6:12**

<sup>12</sup> For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

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- ▶ Principle #3 – Understand how to stand through the battle.

## **Ephesians 6:13-17**

<sup>13</sup> Wherefore 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

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- 14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;
- 15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;
- 16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

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**17** And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: