What Is Spiritual Warfare?: "Fighting For The Glory Of God" Isaiah 45:18-22

"Who God is, what He has done, and what He has promised is mind-blowing and worthy of praise. God is both exciting and terrifying. God is both loving and wrathful. God is eternal and nothing exists or operates apart from Him. God simply is." (John Piper)

"Why is God worthy of my temporal and eternal praise? Why is God and His cause worthy to suffer and possibly die for? Why should I have an unfailing allegiance to God?"

- God is infinitely more glorious than anything or anyone else because all other things get their glory from God.
 - Age Impresses Us: "Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God" (Psalm 90:2). "Of old You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of Your hands. They will perish, but You will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away, but You are the same, and Your years have no end" (Psalm 102:25-27). "....for His dominion is an everlasting dominion, and His kingdom endures from generation to generation" (Daniel 4:34; cf. Isaiah 46:9-11).
 - Love Captivates Us: "But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). "But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ by grace you have been saved" (Ephesians 2:4-5). "In love He predestined us for adoption to Himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of His will" (Ephesians 1:4b-5; cf. 1 John 4:7-10).
 - O Discipline and Consistency Motivate Us: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). "For I the LORD do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed" (Malachi 3:6). "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of the grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever" (1 Peter 1:24-25; cf. Numbers 23:19).
 - o Power Attracts Us: "And He said to them, 'Why are you afraid. O you of little faith?' Then He rose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. And then the men marveled saying, 'What sort of man is this, that even the winds and sea obey him'"? (Matthew 8:26-27). "Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. But even the hairs of your head are all numbered" (Matthew 10:29-30). "The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the LORD" (Proverbs 16:33; cf. Jonah).
 - O Joy and Pleasure Comforts Us: "One thing have I asked of the LORD, that I will seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD...." (Psalm 27:4). "You make known to me the path of life; in Your presence there is fullness of joy; at Your right hand are pleasures forever more" (Psalm 16:11). "These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full" (John 15:11; cf. 2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

"For by Him all things were created....all things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together." (Colossians 1:16-17; cf. Romans 11:33-36)

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Account Balance: \$27,771.12 October Balance: \$22,176.44	Weekly Budget: \$3,157
Total Giving: November 6	\$5,836
Total Giving: November 13	\$2,143
Total Giving: November 20	\$1,355
Total Giving: November 27	\$1,816

Announcements:

- ★CHILDREN'S MINISTRY MEETING: If you currently serve in the Children's Ministry, please mark your calendars and plan on staying for a ministry meeting NEXT Sunday, December 11th, immediately following the worship service.
- ★FELLOWSHIP DINNER: We are having a Fellowship Dinner TONIGHT immediately following the worship service. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the dinner and fellowship with us!
- ★CHRISTMAS COOKIE DECORATING PARTY: LADIES, we will be having a Christmas Cookie Decorating party on Wednesday, December 14th, at 7pm at Christina Strawn's house (150 Pierson Blvd). Please RSVP to Christina as soon as possible so that she can make sure there are enough cookies to decorate! (740-755-6512)
- ★CHRISTMAS SERVICES: We will be having our normal midweek Thursday worship service on December 22nd. We will NOT be having a Christmas Eve Service. We WILL BE having our normal worship service on Christmas Day at 5:30pm, there will be NO Children's Ministry offered during the worship service on Christmas Day!