

## Positioning Yourself for Warfare

**Foundational Scripture:** 1Tim 1:18-19; 2:1-8 This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before on thee, that thou by them mightest **war a good warfare**; 19 Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck: 2:1 I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; 2 For kings, and for all that are in authority; that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty. 3 For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; 4 Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; 6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time. 7 Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not;) a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity. 8 I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting.

### A. Know the Heart of Your Father.

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| 1. Desires that all be saved. His love sent Jesus. | 1 Tim 2:4        |
| 2. Go and make disciples, preach the gospel.       | Matt 28:18-20    |
| 3. We have the ministry of reconciliation.         | 2 Cor 5:14-15,18 |

### B. Know Who You Are in Christ.

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| 1. Know your authority. | Eph 1:20-23; 2:6 |
| 2. Know your armor.     | Eph 6:10-20      |
| 3. Know your weapons.   | 2 Cor 10:3-5     |
| 4. Know the strategies. | Matt 18:18-19    |

### C. Know the Times and the Seasons.

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| 1. Watch and Pray.  | Luke 21:34-36 |
| 2. Arise and Shine. | Isa 60:1-3    |

### D. Warfare Prayer Guidelines.

1. Purpose of Warfare Prayers: To bring the Kingdom of God to every place and every sphere of mankind by overthrowing the evil spiritual strongholds influencing mankind and replacing them with the values of the kingdom.
2. General Prayer Guidelines:
  - a. Watch: signs of the times - in the physical and spiritual (What is satan doing? What is God doing?)
  - b. Hear: Turn from the noisy clamor of the world and focus on the throne to hear the insights and strategies of Jesus and the Father.
  - c. Pray: Decree and command the specifics of Heaven on the earth. The Word of God, the heart of God, the will of God, and the kingdom of God.
  - d. Go and Do: Put feet to your prayers by doing what God has instructed as your part, to carry out your destiny.

### 3. Strategic Prayers:

- a. All men.
  - Supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks.
- b. Leaders.
  - Wisdom, righteousness, justice.
- c. The Church.
  - Five-fold ministers, glorious church, preaching of the Gospel.
- d. Kingdom and the Glory.
  - His kingdom come, His will be done.
  - The axe of righteousness laid against the root of sin and evil.
  - Bind the demons, devils, and evil spirits blinding the minds of people.
  - Make straight His path for the glory of the Lord.
  - Pray for his mercy, for the goodness of God leads people to repentance.