

**Podcast Episode Notes**  
**Season 3 Episode 9 Spiritual Warfare & Work**

The words “spiritual warfare” can promote a visceral reaction. Some Christians don’t want to talk about it all. Some Christians talk about it too much. And most of us haven’t thought about in the context of work. But think about it: taking something that doesn’t belong to me; saying something unkind and untrue about someone so I am the one promoted; undermining my boss out of spite for not giving me the raise I deserve. These represent a handful of the kinds of temptations that face us at work, and the enemy of our soul wants us to make bad choices. So what can we do?

According to the Scriptures, we are caught in a very real spiritual war.

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

*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. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.*

*And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.”*

~ Ephesians 6:10-18

**Often, we don’t consider how this spiritual warfare impacts our lives and our vocation. However, when we pause to think about it, we can see the many ways that the devil tries to influence our relationships, roles, and mission in the place we call our work.** This little book is meant to help you develop spiritual muscles so that you can use your God-given position as His child, and the authority that He has delegated to you, to engage in spiritual warfare. You’ll find here 10 scriptural weapons that you’ll want to become good at using to advance God’s Kingdom and better and bless those around you. Practicing these will allow you to become an effective spiritual warrior within your workplace!

## Weapon Themes to Choose From

- 1) **Living a Godly Life** – this speaks to us keeping our own lives right before God and others – which includes on the job! John 14:30 – the enemy “has no claim on me” – no influence on you, or through you! *Ex: Walking with integrity when no one is looking – and when they are!*
- 2) **The Armor of God** – Often we don’t consider the need to armor-up for work, like we do an outreach or a missions trip! Reminds you of the potential spiritual battles you may be stepping into! *Ex: Armor – truth vs lies; darts to defend; mind protected; heart guarded, on the job!*
- 3) **Intercessory Prayer** – I see this both as a preventative as well as ways to address a problem. *Ex: Gabriel’s (Spence) story in TGO about intercession team for his business; General Wiegand.*
- 4) **The Scriptures** – Jesus countered the enemy’s attacks – three times – with the Scriptures. Realigning to truth! Doesn’t mean you quote it at people – but against the enemy! *Ex: a good thing to exercise when your mind is being attacked – as a person or your performance!*
- 5) **The Name & Blood of Jesus** – His Name sends tremors into the realm of darkness! Applying it in prayer when needed. *Ex: spiritual environment of the “place” where you are – Shiloh Corral*
- 6) **Unity** – The devil is a divider! “Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace” – Eph. 1:3 *Ex: Are you a source of division by your words, attitudes, actions?*
- 7) **Laying One’s Life Down in Obedience** – Jesus obedient – “even death on a cross” (Phil. 2). *Ex: Where has Jesus asked you to do things on the job, for the people you work with?*
- 8) **Thanksgiving, Praise and Worship** – 2 Chr. 20 – how God took out an entire army through His people praising! *Ex: An attitude you bring in to work with you.*
- 9) **The Word of Your Testimony** – No one can argue your experience with you! What Jesus has done for you in your life! Challenging situations – remembering what God has done. *Ex: In the midst of difficulty, rehearse what He has done in the Scriptures or your own life.*
- 10) **Preaching the Gospel** – Sharing the life of Jesus with others. The enemy tries to blind the minds of the unbelieving (2Cor. 4:4). *Ex: Pray; be ready to share your own testimony or answer their questions about Jesus and faith.*

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