

ARMED AND STRONG IN THE LORD

6. Brotherly Love and Humility

***A concise explanation from the Lord:**

When you think critical and unkind thoughts against those you are supposed to be helping, this breaks down the wall of protection between you and them; your brothers, sisters and Spiritual family members. You need to be on guard and keep a look out for the many, so many ways the enemy tries to get you to be against others who are on your same team. You need to actively look for ways to bring each other in closer, and how you can work yet more in unison. But it won't work if one of you are going this way and the other is going a completely different way. You need to be all hearing God's instructions and following them. You each will be performing vastly different duties, but all with the same goal in mind, and so you will be encouraging each other, even if they have to do things differently. You are glad for each other and you show it in active and faith feeding ways. Together you can do more than alone; but that is only if you are aiding each other and not wasting time trying to decide who is more the boss, and who is out of step with your wishes. And keep forgiving each other too, for there will be times when someone steps on your toes—either purposely or accidentally. By this I mean they try to get to you stop doing something, and it hurts and stalls you for a bit. But don't then try to step on theirs, as that will just waste your precious time when in stead you could be walking forward. One step at a time by listening to Jesus' instructions and following them, is how you will eventually each reach the part of the pathway you are meant to reach.

***Keys to claim in prayer, to receive empowerment to fight with these new weapons and stop the enemy's attempts to hinder our using them:**

There is no greater love than to call on the power of the keys to lay down your life for another in unselfishness, compassion, sympathy, sacrifice, tenderness, and humble service.

Some specifics that help explain more:

- Affection (through touching, or looks, or tenderness of heart, or expressed in kind words, etc.)
- Charity (in action and attitude, as expressed in 1 Corinthians 13 and Isaiah 58 and James 2, etc.)
- Keeping pride away through prayer and positive action in deeds that require Godly humility; being more conscious of Christ's wishes and needs than our image in the eyes of others.
- Being willing to do anything at any time, no matter what our personality or personal preference is, to let Jesus' spirit come through us to love and serve others, or to fill a need in the Body of Christ, or to bring others closer to Him.
- Godly, pure, loving sex and intimate times, that fortifies and uplifts and brings us closer to Jesus and His realm.
- Show and receiving forgiveness and mercy.
- Unselfish giving and sacrificing for the good of others--denying our own personal or selfish desires and preferences; or putting aside a ritual "right thing to do" when love and God's Spirit leads and pleads otherwise
- Show appreciation and gratitude through words and deeds; lack of unkind criticism, in words or thoughts. Strive to think and speak the good and positive.
- Serve and help one another in loving humility.
- Give others preference and honor and respect; live the J-o-y principle of order of preference to please (Jesus, others, you).
- Wise, kind, godly choice of words that bring the Lord's will in to being, words that don't hurt others, and are inspired by the Holy Spirit. No gossip. No backbiting. No spreading lies. Edify (build up) others with words.

- Caring for the body of Christ—providing for others equally, impartially, according to their need and whatever Jesus is asking, and according to the ability of those around, so that all can continue to serve the Lord and bear fruit, and know that the Lord does care and provide.

***True stories of victory, showing these fighting methods in practice:**

Dad was at the head of the table during dinner. He was chatting with those around him and people were interacting and talking, and somebody said something that gave Dad a lot of credit for something. Right away Dad just stopped the whole dinner conversation for a couple of seconds and said plainly and loudly for everyone to hear, "Don't give me the credit; the credit belongs to the Lord! I'm nothing. If you give me the credit, then the Lord is gonna do something to me to show you that He's the only One Who's doing it and that it's not me. So just don't give me the credit!"

That was a real outstanding quality about Dad. He was constantly giving the Lord the glory throughout the day. He was very faithful to acknowledge the Lord and praise the Lord for anything good that happened. ... He constantly pointed to the Lord, but there were those times that I can remember where somebody actually outright gave him credit that should have gone to the Lord, and he stopped everything and dealt with it and cleared it up right then and there, because he did not want to be guilty of taking any of the credit that belonged to the Lord. (Zine 13)

One husband and wife describing an important daily event which strengthens their family shares this: "Each night we go into the children's bedrooms and give each a big hug and kiss. Then we say, 'You are really good kids and we love you very much.' We think it's important to leave that message with them at the end of the day." (CD 10)

This is a true story about a teacher named Mary who taught in an Indian school. There was another teacher in the school that Mary did not like and one day Mary felt something inside her telling her that this bad feeling was wrong. Mary had learned to listen to this "inner voice" because she knew it came from God, so she decided to obey it. "But what can I do?" she wondered. "Give her an egg," was the thought which came.--But that seemed like a foolish idea to Mary. Just one egg! The teacher might feel insulted at such a present! A dozen eggs, now that would be different, but just one egg! She put the thought out of her mind and went off to her day's teaching. But when she came home in the evening, there on the chair in her room sat a hen. It cackled and flew down; and there was an egg. Mary remembered her thought about giving an egg to the other teacher.--And here God had even supplied the egg to give her! So, somewhat reluctantly, she picked it up and set off for the other teacher's house. This other teacher was married and had several children, and one of them, a little boy, was outside the house when Mary reached it. She was glad to see him--it was easier to give the egg to him. "Will you give this egg to your mother, please?" she asked, "It is for her."

The next day the other teacher came to Mary. "What made you give me that egg?" she asked. "It was so nice and fresh!" So Mary told her about being sorry for her bad feelings and about the thought she had had of what to do about them, which she felt had come from God. "Yes, that is just like God," said the other teacher. "He must have known that we had so little food in the house that when everyone had had some, there was none left for me. And then your egg came! I was so happy and satisfied when I had eaten it!" (GT 1)

AND SO IT WAS, EXCEPT FOR MOM'S DEAR BROTHER, WHO RECEIVED US VERY HOSPITABLY AND WAS VERY KIND TO US AND GAVE US ROOMS over the whole basement of his house which is very well furnished and very comfortable and warm with a nice little living room and bedroom and so on and we were very thankful after a very difficult and long journey and not much rest, our first chance to get to bed for a couple of days, in fact, for three days.

ANYHOW, AFTER THESE GOOD VISITS I WAS THINKING OF MOM'S BROTHER'S HOSPITALITY AND HOW I THANKED HIM and showed him the verse of scripture is true, "Cast thy bread upon the waters and in due season it shall return to you" (), because having done a good deed to someone, sooner or later God will see that it is returned and

you're rewarded for it, if not through them through someone else. In this case it came through God Himself and I had even forgotten what we had done for him in the past, but when I thanked him so profusely for his kindness and the fact that he'd taken these poor travel-weary worn hippies from Texas and shown such kindness and hospitality without any complaint and with a wonderfully sweet spirit, as I was thanking him for all his goodness to us he looked at me and said.

"WELL, I'VE NEVER FORGOTTEN HOW WHEN I NEEDED HELP YOU TOOK ME IN" and it then came back to me that when he had been out of work, he and his family with six children, we had taken them into our home and kept them for a couple of months while he was looking for a job in California! SO THE LORD DOES RETURN AND REWARD AND COMPENSATE ANY SACRIFICES YOU MAKE FOR OTHERS IN TRYING TO HELP THEM. (ML 1)

Messages others received on these ways to fight and win in the Spirit

43. (Jesus speaking:) It's good that you tell others of Me, that you spread My love and My message abroad in the hearts of all men, that they may be drawn to Me and find life, peace, and true love. But neglect not to love those who are by your side, to love and appreciate your neighbor as yourself. This you ought to have done, and not to have left the other undone.

44. This is My commandment, that you love others as yourself, that you appreciate others as you yourself wish to be appreciated, that you give to others as you wish to be given unto yourself. Look not every man on his own things, his own works and concerns, but look every man on the things and works of others and see how he may be a blessing to them.

45. Your ministry is not only to the world, but also to the dear ones by your side, your brothers and sisters in Me, your co-workers, friends and companions who also lay down their lives for Me daily, who have also taken up their cross to follow Me.

46. Appreciation begins with loving, appreciative thoughts. As a man or woman thinks in their heart, so are they. As they think positive and uplifting thoughts about their neighbors, this results in positive and uplifting attitudes and actions towards their neighbors.

47. Don't dwell on your brother or sister's lacks and failings, their faults and idiosyncrasies; think instead on their good points—how much they love Me, how hard they work, the sacrifices they make, their cheerfulness in the face of affliction, their faith in the midst of adversity, their love for the lost and their dedication to My cause.

48. This is why I counseled you in My Word to dwell on the things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report, to think of the virtues of others and the things for which they deserve praise. As you see others in this way, your attitudes towards them change, and they begin to feel the change in your spirit. (ML 3254)

(Jesus speaking:) Within this era there will be many new battles to fight, and these must be fought together, in unity, in love, in friendship, in trust. Each of you must take upon you My mantle of selflessness and My anointing of humility. You must bond together as never before. You must fight as a team, for this is the only way that many of the future battles will be won. You must seek to be My love to one another, and to lift up your brother when he falls. I commission you to make it your goal to learn to love others more than you love yourself. If you want to be the best disciple and bride you can be, you must realize that on your own you will never reach your full potential.

It's together with like-minded individuals that you will be strong, that you will be able to fulfill all that I will ask of you in this new era. Together you will be strengthened. Divided you will fall. When you are united as one, with bonds of friendship, brotherhood, and unity, I will be able to pour upon you a new anointing of spiritual stamina and endurance and power to fight and win. By joining together, others will be able to lend you the gifts—physical and spiritual—that you lack.

As you unite more fully, you will learn more what it means to be your brother's keeper, to be there for each other, to bear one another's burdens, to lay down your lives for each other, to treat others as you would like to be treated, to help each other stand strong, to make any sacrifice for the sake of one of your brothers or sisters. Love, unity, and brotherhood are weapons that you can use to defeat the Enemy in your midst. They are both weapons and tools. So take up these lethal weapons of the spirit and keep them always by your side, ready to destroy the Enemy's attacks on your bonds with one another. Also, use them as tools to strengthen your defenses, to build

bridges, to help another who is downtrodden, and to support your mates when they are weak. As you partake of the bread, think of this unity that I speak of. Think of what you can do to build love, unity, and brotherhood—and ask Me to speak more to you about it in the days to come. As you partake of the wine, My blood shed for you, think of My great love and how you can strive to bring more of that all-encompassing love into your life. How can you open your heart and life more to others? How can you truly live the Law of Love more in every way? How can you live the One Wife vision more in spirit? Will you be remembered for your selfishness or your lack of love? Or will you be known by your love as I was known by My love?

There is great power in unity and love! And I am the only One strong enough to help you to implement and live these supernatural powers in your life. They are weapons of the spirit you will need in the days to come, so accept My enhancement of them now, as you read this simple commitment to Me and to each other:

(A pledge to say to each other:) I pray that I will be a true friend, a fellow disciple that you can depend on, who will help to bear your burdens, whatever they may be. Through the power of the keys of brotherhood, unity, and love, I commit to loving you, supporting you, and doing whatever I can to help you to stand strong in the days to come.

(ML 3552)

Annihilate

The Selvegion: Lure people to put self first, oppose unity, and encourage selfish living, self-interest, discord, dissension, strife, and all that divides.

Activate

The Salvay: Spirit beings of salvation who counter the evil Selvegion.

(ML 3552)

Quotes from Jesus and Bible verses to memorize:

The keys of the Kingdom will empower you to live the Law of Love.

JOH.13:34-35 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Fear not to give love, for in giving ye shall receive. Fear not the opinions of man, but be ye channels of My love.

[ML 2985]

Your ministry is not only to the world, but also to the dear ones by your side, your brothers and sisters in Me.

(ML 3254)

How Jesus taught or fought with this Spiritual weapon:

LUK.9:46 Then there arose a reasoning among them, which of them should be greatest.

LUK.9:47 And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart, took a child, and set him by him,

LUK.9:48 And said unto them, Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me: and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me: for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great.

MAT.23:8 But be not ye called Rabbi: for one is your Master, even Christ; and all ye are brethren.

MAT.23:9 And call no man your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven.

MAT.23:10 Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ.

MAT.23:11 But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.

LUK.22:24 And there was also a strife among them, which of them should be accounted the greatest.

LUK.22:25 And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are called benefactors.

LUK.22:26 But ye shall not be so: but he that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger; and he that is chief, as he that doth serve.

JOH.15:9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

JOH.15:12 This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

JOH.13:3 Jesus knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God;

JOH.13:4 He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself.

JOH.13:5 After that he poureth water into a bason, and began to wash the disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

JOH.13:6 Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and Peter saith unto him, Lord, dost thou wash my feet?

JOH.13:7 Jesus answered and said unto him, What I do thou knowest not now; but thou shalt know hereafter.

JOH.13:8 Peter saith unto him, Thou shalt never wash my feet. Jesus answered him, If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

JOH.13:9 Simon Peter saith unto him, Lord, not my feet only, but also my hands and my head.

JOH.13:10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.

JOH.13:11 For he knew who should betray him; therefore said he, Ye are not all clean.

JOH.13:12 So after he had washed their feet, and had taken his garments, and was set down again, he said unto them, Know ye what I have done to you?

JOH.13:13 Ye call me Master and Lord: and ye say well; for so I am.

JOH.13:14 If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

JOH.13:15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.