



K I N G D O M W A R R I O R

THE WARRIOR MISSION / Matthew 12:22-29

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Icebreaker: We have different expectations at different stages of our life and in our spiritual walk. They change from before and after we start school, before and after we graduate school, before and after we move away from home, before and after marriage, before and after salvation, before and after each day begins! **Have or how have your expectations of Christ and being a Christian changed at different points, milestones or stages in your life?**

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Encouragement: With the privileges of being a "citizen" of the Kingdom of God comes responsibilities. We are called to duty. None of us can afford to, nor should we want to sit in "Kingdom Park" enjoying the benefits of citizenship while the enemies of the kingdom are trying to subvert, over run and destroy it and those of us in it.

THERE ARE TWO COMPETING KINGDOMS IN THE WORLD.

1. What is a Kingdom Warrior and what is the job of a Kingdom warrior? Pastor Miles defines a Kingdom Warrior as one who Declares & Demonstrates the kingdom of God while relentlessly Defeating the works of the devil and his kingdom.

2. Who do you know that is a Kingdom Warrior?

3. Who would consider you a Kingdom Warrior?

4. What are some of the consequences of not engaging in this battle? We are in a battle weather we are in the fight or not. We are going to be attacked weather we fight or not. The difference is that only the warriors have offensive and defensive weapons.

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Scripture: In Matthew 12:25 Jesus said, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be ruined, and every city or household divided against itself will not stand

1. In what ways has the kingdom of the devil come against you, who won that battle, and how was it won?

Pastor Miles said a Kingdom Warrior Declares the Kingdom of God and in Matthew 10:7 Jesus said , As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.'

2. Explain what it means to declare or proclaim the Kingdom of God. Jesus proclaimed the kingdom of God in His works by His examples, in His words, and by His message. To all who would hear. That God has sent His Messiah for the redemption of the repentant in faith through grace.

A Kingdom Warrior Destroys or Defeats the works of the devil. And in 1 John 3:8 Jesus said "The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work."

3. What are the works of the devil and how can we destroy or defeat them? Like Jesus did. Resist the Devil's temptations, delivered people and drove out demons and set people free from their bondage to him through and by God's power. Satan seeks to mitigate Jesus's victory, we should magnify it.



Prayer: Write down the answers for each of the following:

1. What is your greatest need for prayer?
2. What is your families greatest need for prayer?
3. What is one person in your workplace greatest need for prayer?
4. How do you expect each of those prayers to be answered?



Next Steps:

1. What are you doing or will you do this week that will further equip you as a fierce, relentless, trained, disciplined warrior for the battle?
2. PM talked about being filled after a large meal. When was the longest time you didn't have any spiritual nourishment? Describe any of the consequences? When was the last time you had meat instead of milk? When was the last time that you fed a brother or sister in Christ?
3. What is your Next Step on your spiritual growth menu?

Bonus Questions: What are some of the ways that we can "speak life" to others?

One of the best ways to speak life to others is to pray God's Word with them, on behalf of them, and with others over them.

PM said our mind is one of our biggest enemies. What thought is the one that has the most negative impact for you?

List some examples of what it looks like when we act like Christians 'in name only?' Now, for each of those examples, discuss some ways of how can you overcome them?

How do you or have you given the devil authority in your life? How can you get it back?

Do not focus on what the devil is doing.

Focus on what God IS doing

Which is.....to be a Kingdom Warrior

Do not focus on what is lacking.

Focus on what God has given.

Do not focus on our failed expectations.

Focus on what God's expectation of us is.....

Which is that we will continue His mission, the work of His kingdom

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDE6GJwMOyo>

Memory Verse: ***Psalms 18:39 For You have girded me with strength for battle; You have subdued under me those who rose up against me.***

Quote: You have to expect spiritual warfare whenever you stand up for righteousness or call attention to basic values. It's just a matter of light battling the darkness. But the light wins every time. You can't throw enough darkness on light to put it out. Thomas Kinkaid

Trivia: In 25 years of chronicling and ranking the political and societal restrictions on religious freedom experienced by Christians worldwide, Open Doors researchers identified 2016 as the "worst year yet." The report corroborated an earlier study from the Turin-based Center for Studies on New Religions (CESNUR), which found that during the year 2016, some 90,000 Christians were killed for their faith around the world.

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Additional Questions and Topical Information: