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WILD – PART TWO “WILD WARRIOR”

WHERE DOES OUR WILD WARRIOR SPIRIT COME FROM?

From _____, the Ultimate Wild Warrior

Exodus 15:3-5 “God is a fighter, pure God through and through”

Isaiah 29:6 “I the Lord of Heaven’s Armies, will act for you with thunder and earthquake and great noise, with whirlwind and storm and consuming fire.”

GOD CALLS US TO BE HIS “WILD WARRIORS”

Every great man that God used in the Bible was first and foremost a warrior.

Hebrews 11:34 “...Faith sparked courage within them, and they became mighty warriors in battle, pulling armies from another realm in battle array.”

What Is A Wild Warrior?

The wild warrior stands between what they hold dear and what threatens it. Jesus was willing to fight and die for each one of us.

Romans 5:8 pt. “But Christ proved God’s passionate love for us by dying in our place while we were still lost and ungodly!”

WHAT WILL “_____” TO BE A WILD WARRIOR?

Perhaps it's knowing an urgency, a cause, knowing what is at stake and who is at risk.

Like King David who asked before fighting Goliath,
‘IS THERE NOT A CAUSE?’ 1 Samuel 17:29

THE CAUSE OF THE WILD WARRIOR IS:

- To impart the gospel message with power and demonstration
 - To live a holy and pure life through the power of the Holy Spirit

- To engage God's enemies through the power of the Holy Spirit in bold prayers, intercession, and spiritual warfare
- To advance the Kingdom of God, disarming & defeating Satan
- To boldly evict the enemies' presence in people's lives and binding his control of territories, properties, and cities.

THE MARKS OF GOD'S WILD WARRIORS

1. **HIS _____**: He knows who he is and to whom he belongs
1 John 4:4 cev "Children, you belong to God, and you have defeated these enemies. God's Spirit in you and is more powerful than the one that is in the world."
2. **HE EXERCISES _____** He knows the presence of fear but advances with courage. He does face doubt and even terror, but two things drive warriors into the fray:
3. **HIS _____** He knows who is with him and where his power comes from

Elisha the prophet schooled his young servant on the superiority of God's armies over their enemies. 2 Kings 6:14-17, Elisha answered him, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them."

4. **HIS SPIRIT OF _____**

LET'S "FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH" 1 Timothy 6:1

Lastly, remember **Ephesians 6:10-13 pt** "... Stand victorious with the force of his explosive power flowing in and through you. Put on God's complete set of armor provided for us, so that you will be protected as you fight against the evil strategies of the accuser! ... For they are a powerful class of demon-gods and evil spirits that hold this dark world in bondage. Because of this, you must wear all the armor that God provides so you're protected as you confront the slanderer, for you are destined for all things and will rise victorious."

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Life Group Reflection Questions

On Sunday we all were encouraged to live as God’s warriors. The Bible teaches God is the ultimate warrior, and raises up men and women to engage in spiritual war against the enemy of our souls. Of the four marks of God’s wild warriors, which one made the greatest impact on you and why?

MY STORY

Many of us can relate to the concept of being a warrior. Some of us served in the military, while others participated in team sports. Some are familiar with movies, such as Rambo and Gladiator, and others are history buffs, familiar with events such as the Civil War or WWII. What about you? How do you identify with being a warrior, and what does being as warrior mean to you?

DIGGING DEEPER – Four essentials in raising up warriors

The Apostle Paul makes a comparison between living the Christian life and being a soldier. He said:

You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 4 No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier. **2 Timothy 2:3-4**

This verse shows us our goal is to please Him “*who enlisted him or her as a soldier*”. Let’s discuss five steps in the training of a solider or warrior for God.

1. The training of a warrior

Blessed be the LORD my Rock, Who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle. **Psalm 144:1**

Jesus trained His disciples to deal with spiritual darkness. Can you think of any examples where Jesus showed His disciples how to conduct warfare?

2. The disciplines of a warrior

I fight: not as one who beats the air.²⁷ But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified. **1 Corinthians 9:26-27**

We all need discipline in order to stay focused on our purpose and goal. Jesus encouraged His disciples to exercise discipline in prayer, fasting, obedience to His word, and their attitude. How are you exercising discipline in your life as a believer? How's your devotional time with the Lord? How's your level of obedience?

3. The priorities of the warrior

But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus. **Acts 20:24**

Paul, when faced with life challenging circumstances and persecution, kept his priorities straight. A warrior has clear priorities. What are your priorities as a believer in Christ? How important is it for you to attend church on Sunday? What are some other ways you might need to adjust your priorities?

4. The weapons of the warrior

The weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,⁵ casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, **2 Corinthians 10:4-5**

God has given us spiritual weapons to fight a spiritual war. Jesus Christ used the weapon of God's word to fight Satan (Luke 4:4). There is the weapon of praise to silence the enemy (Psalm 8:2), and then the weapon of God's armor (Ephesians 6:18ff). What weapons have you used and which have been the most significant in your life?

MOVING FORWARD

Name three people in your life who need God. Pray that God would remove the spiritual darkness over their lives (2 Corinthians 4:4).

Make a decision this week to be a warrior for Christ. How can you apply what we discussed in this lesson to your life today and this week?