

SUPERNATURAL

Supernatural Week #2: We're at War!

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Without the supernatural, Christianity doesn't exist.

Ephesians 6:10–20 (New Living Translation)

¹⁰ A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. ¹² For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.

¹³ Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm. ¹⁴ Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness. ¹⁵ For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared. ¹⁶ In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil. ¹⁷ Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸ Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.

¹⁹ And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words so I can boldly explain God's mysterious plan that the Good News is for Jews and Gentiles alike. ²⁰ I am in chains now, still preaching this message as God's ambassador. So pray that I will keep on speaking boldly for him, as I should.

The Supernatural War

1. We have an _____.
 - a. He is called by many names.
 - b. He is _____ and not like God.

- c. He is _____.
- d. He is _____ and _____.
- 2. We do not fight in our own power.
- 3. Prayer is part of our arsenal.
 - e. Pray in the _____
 - f. Pray _____
 - g. Pray with your _____
 - h. Pray _____
 - i. Pray for God's _____ and its _____.

Don't bring _____ weapons to a _____ fight!

Ephesians 6:10–20 (The Message)

¹⁰ *And that about wraps it up. God is strong, and he wants you strong. ¹¹ So take everything the Master has set out for you, well-made weapons of the best materials. And put them to use so you will be able to stand up to everything the Devil throws your way. ¹² This is no afternoon athletic contest that we'll walk away from and forget about in a couple of hours. This is for keeps, a life-or-death fight to the finish against the Devil and all his angels.*

¹³ *Be prepared. You're up against far more than you can handle on your own. Take all the help you can get, every weapon God has issued, so that when it's all over but the shouting you'll still be on your feet. ¹⁴ Truth, righteousness, ¹⁵ peace, ¹⁶ faith, ¹⁷ and salvation are more than words. Learn how to apply them. You'll need them throughout your life. God's Word is an indispensable weapon. ¹⁸ In the same way, prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long. Pray for your brothers and sisters. Keep your eyes open. Keep each other's spirits up so that no one falls behind or drops out.*

¹⁹ *And don't forget to pray for me. Pray that I'll know what to say and have the courage to say it at the right time, telling the mystery to one and all, the Message that I, ²⁰ jailbird preacher that I am, am responsible for getting out.*

Homework

- Read Ephesians 6:10-20 during your devotional time each day this week.
- Think about what it means.
- Write out specific ways it needs to be applied to your life right now.
- Make the passage and those needs an outline for prayer.
- Share your thoughts and needs with a friend.