

Instructional Guidelines and Reference Materials

The following Study Guide, **War In The Heavens**, has been prepared especially for you by Jim W. Goll. They are tailor made for your individual, small group, or Training Center needs in mind. At the end of each lesson, there are Reflection Questions to help you in your review of the materials you have studied. In a back section of this Study Guide, you find the Answers to the Reflection Questions to aid you in your learning.

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Acknowledgment and Debt of Gratitude

This set of teachings has come forth from the gleanings of various pastors, teachers, and authors. In recent years, there has been an explosion of new books and literature presenting various views on the subject of Spiritual Warfare. I have read materials from all three camps: (the confrontive, moderate, and conservative) in preparation of these teachings.

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Lesson One

Warring Kingdoms

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I. STATEMENTS TO REMEMBER:

1. We are born *in war* and born *for war*.
2. All true spiritual warfare centers around the placement of the Son.
3. You were created to bring pleasure to God.
4. The source of all warfare is the root of rebellion.
5. One of the most powerful weapons of warfare is forgiveness.

II. CONFLICT AND WARFARE

A. As a Normal Part of the Christian Life

1. II Cor. 10:3-5 - *We do not war after the flesh ... the weapons of our warfare are not carnal. The battlefield of the mind, the devices mental thoughts. Applies to all Christians.*
2. I Tim. 1:18 - *That... you might fight the good fight...*
3. II Tim. 2:3,4 - *Suffer hardship with me, as a good soldier ... No soldier in active service entangles himself.*
4. Eph. 6:12 - *We wrestle against principalities and powers...*

B. God Himself Is Presented As A Military Commander

1. Ex. 15:1-3 - *The Lord is a man of war* - song of Moses and Israel.
2. Josh. 5:13-14 - *As Captain of the Army of the Lord* at Jericho.
3. Psa. 24:8 - *Who is the King of glory? The Lord mighty in Battle.*
4. Isaiah 13:4 - *The Lord of Hosts is mustering the army for battle.*

C. The Enemy of God:

1. *Satan* used 52 times; literally means "the adversary", the one who opposes, roaming to and fro. A term used to describe a person who takes from one side to another (Job 1:6-9, 12; 2:1-7; Rev.12:9-10).
2. *Devil* - used 35 times; literally means "slanderer/accuser" (*diabolos*). (I Sam. 29:4; I Ki. 11:14).
3. *Old Serpent* - Rev. 12:9, 15, an obvious allusion to Genesis 3. (II Cor. 11:3; Rom. 16:20).
4. *Great Dragon* - Rev. 12:3,7,9,17, a terrifying, destructive beast.

5. *The Accuser* - Rev. 12:10, It is the accuser's aim to defame. He is a constant source of false and malicious reports:
 - a. To God about you - Rev. 12:10; I Jn. 2:2; Rom. 8:33 - 39.
 - b. To you about yourself - Eph. 6:16.
 - c. To others about you.
 - d. To you about others and to you about God.
6. *The Deceiver* - Rev. 12:9; 20:3, his plan to lie, distort, hide, and misrepresent.

III. WHAT IS THE BACKGROUND?

A. Rebellion is the Cause of All Unrest and Conflict:

1. The *refusal to submit* to the righteous government of God is the source of our warring. The world is full of rebels. Human problems can be classified like the three main areas of a tree:
 - a. Branches
 - b. Trunk
 - c. Roots
 Rebellion is the root of all problems.
2. Matthew 6:9, 10 - *Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done ..* This begins with me!
3. Isaiah 57:19 - 21 - Total submission to God brings deep, settled peace. (The "how and the when" of this rebellion will be covered in subsequent lessons.) *There is no peace for the wicked.*

B. Three Initial Observations:

1. Two Warring Kingdoms - As there is a kingdom of God, so, too, there is a kingdom of Satan. A kingdom is a place of rule, dominion, an area or region over which a ruler reigns over those under his rule. These two kingdoms are in direct conflict with one another. In January, 1987, I lead a ministry team from the United States to Haiti (Once called the Pearl of the Antilles, but through a pack with the Devil, it become one of the worlds most oppressed countries.) During our meetings, a Voodoo priest announced over the national radio, "Our kingdom is under siege!" *If Satan cast our Satan , he is divided against himself; how then will his kingdom stand? ... But if I cast out the demons by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God has come upon you.* (Mt.12:26-28; Act.26:18; Col.1:13)
2. Few Christians fully realize the extent of Satan's influence. Nor do they understand (and thus exercise) Christ's authority over the enemy.

- a. I Jn. 5:19 - *We know that we are of God, and the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.* The Greek word used here is *cosmos* meaning “world” which means: world system, worldly order of things. This is not to be confused with the “earth” (*ge*) of which the Psalmist says, *The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof* (Ps. 24:1).
- b. I Jn. 4:4 - *You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.*
3. Two extremes (two ditches to avoid): preoccupation or complacent indifference! "There are two equal and opposite errors into which our The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves [i. e., the demons] are equally pleased by both errors, and hail a materialist or a magician with the same delight" (C. S. Lewis, *Screwtape Letters*, p. 3).¹ There is no neutral ground in the kingdom of God.

Reflective Questions

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ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

1. All true _____ centers around the placement of the Son.
2. We are born in War and born for _____.
3. II Corinthians 10:3-5 “We do not war according to the _____
...the weapons of our _____ are not of the flesh.

MULTI-CHOICE

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| A. Old Serpent | C. Adversary |
| B. Slanderer | D. Dragon |

FROM THE LIST ABOVE, ANSWER THE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS:

4. Devil literally means _____.
5. Satan literally means _____.

TRUE OR FALSE

6. The accuser’s aim is to defame, bringing false and malicious report.
7. Refusal to submit to the righteous government of God is the source of our warring.
8. Satan’s influence extends to those preoccupied with demons.

SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

9. Write out II Corinthians 10: 3-5 and memorize it.

10. What was the primary point you learned from this lesson?

Turn to the back of this book for the answers to these questions.