



Supernatural – Your Battle

Announcements

101 Starting Point -- Sunday, July 7th, at 5:00 pm at all campuses. Starting Point is the first step toward getting involved at Church of the King by learning about the vision and mission of the church. Register at www.churchoftheking.com/register

Warm-up

In what ways has your thinking about the supernatural been influenced by movies and culture?

This week we are going to discuss the reality of spiritual warfare in our lives. This is a reality that we all face regardless of our beliefs.

Word

Read 2 Corinthians 10:3-4. In these scriptures, the Apostle Paul makes it clear we live in a spiritual realm. This reality means we must be aware we are engaged in a spiritual battle.

Do you think most people think about the unseen spiritual battle surrounding them on a regular basis? What is the benefit of knowing about the spiritual battle you are in? What is the danger of not recognizing you are in a spiritual battle?

As we begin to understand that there is a spiritual world just as real as the physical world, it is important that we know that...

- 1) **We are not alone in our battles** (2 Kings 6:15-17, Psalm 91:11-12)
- 2) **Our prayers are far more powerful than we know** (James 5:16)

In order to fight the spiritual battle we are in, it is important to understand our enemy. In order to understand our enemy, the Devil, we are going to look at specific things he does.

1) He blinds the minds of unbelievers

Read 2 Corinthians 4:4. What are some ways you think the Devil has tried to blind your mind from receiving God's truth?

2) He steals God's Word from you

Read Matthew 13:19 and John 10:10. The Devil will attempt to steal what has been placed in your life because he knows if God's Word gets planted in your life then you will be able to live an overcoming life.

How can you combat the Devil from stealing God's Word from your life?

3) He sets traps to ensnare you

The Devil wants to trap you into a dangerous lifestyle of very destructive sin and he will attack you where you are weak.

Read 2 Timothy 2:26. What traps have you fallen into that you realize have been set by the Devil? How will knowing the Devil is setting traps in your life help you live an overcoming life?

Read Ephesians 6:10-18. Now that we know the Devil and his strategy, we can prepare to fight back.

According to this portion of scripture, what are the spiritual weapons that God has given to us?

Notice that there are no pieces of armor to guard our backs. That is because we need people in our lives who will help guard our backs.

Who in your life can you trust to go into spiritual warfare with you?

In order to live victoriously we need to know God's Word, engage in prayer and surround ourselves with godly relationships.

Prayer

Ask God to help you understand and win the spiritual warfare in which we are all engaged so you can live a victorious life promised in John 10:10.