BEING A VICTORIOUS SOLDIER OF JESUS CHRIST. Sunday, November 15TH, 2020 Pastor Audie Clairmont

1 John 5:19

"We know that we are of God, and <u>the whole world</u> lies under the sway of the wicked one."

NLT -the world around us is under *the control of the evil one*.

Revelation 16:14-NLT

14 They are demonic spirits who work miracles and *go out to all the rulers of the world to gather them for battle against the Lord on that great judgment day of God the Almighty.*

1. WE HAVE TO <u>PERSEVERE</u> HARDSHIPS AS A <u>LOYAL</u> SOLDIER OF CHRIST.

2Timothy 2:3-4-NKJV

3 You therefore <u>*must endure hardship as a good soldier*</u> of Jesus Christ.

Passion – 3 <u>Overcome every form of evil as a victorious</u> <u>soldier</u> of Jesus the Anointed One.

1Corinthians 16:13-14-NKJV <u>Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong</u>. 14 Let all *that* you *do* be done with love.

Passion - 13 Remember <u>to stay alert</u> and <u>hold firmly</u> to all that you believe. <u>Be mighty and full of courage</u>. 14 Let love and kindness be the motivation behind all that you do.

KJV – ...quit you like men...

Galatians 5:1-NKJV

1 *Christ has freed <u>us so that we may enjoy the benefits</u> <u>of freedom.</u> Therefore, be firm in this freedom, and don't become slaves again.*

1John 4:4-Passion

Little children, you can be certain that *you belong to God and have conquered them*, for the One who is living in you *is far greater* than the one who is in the world.

2. WE NEED TO BE <u>CONTROLED</u> BY GOD'S SPIRIT...BEFORE WE CAN <u>FIGHT</u> <u>AGAINST/STAND UP</u> TO THE DEVIL.

James 4:7-Passion

So then, *surrender to God*. *Stand up to the devil and resist him* and he will turn and run away from you.

3. OUR VICTORY COMES ONLY WHEN WE <u>GIVE THE BATTLES</u> TO THE LORD...AND LET HIM <u>FIGHT THEM</u> FOR US!

1Samuel 17:47-NIV

47 And everyone assembled here <u>will know</u> that the LORD rescues His people, but not with sword and spear. <u>This is</u> <u>the LORD's battle, and He will give you to us!</u>"</u>

Zechariah 4:6-NIV

Then he said to me, "This is what the LORD says to Zerubbabel: <u>It is not by</u> force nor by strength, but by My Spirit, says the LORD of Heaven's Armies.

Hebrews 11: 32-34-Living Bible

33 These people <u>all trusted God</u> and as a result won battles, overthrew kingdoms, ruled their people well, and received what God had promised them; they were kept from harm in a den of lions 34 and in a fiery furnace. Some, through their faith, escaped death by the sword. Some were made strong again after they had been weak or sick. Others were given great power in battle; they made whole armies turn and run away.

Philippians 4: 13-NKJV

13 For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength.

James 4:8-NKJV

8 Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.