

## The Christian Warfare

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### Introduction

1. 2 Corinthians 10:4-5
2. Many times the Christian life is compared to that of a soldier. 2 Timothy 2:3ff.; 6
3. In warfare it is good and important that we know three things
  1. The enemy in gorilla warfare this is not easily done
  2. The cause for which we fight and its values
  3. The equipment and how to use it.
4. Let us discuss these three areas very quickly

### II Discussion

1. The enemy
  1. It is the devil 1 Peter 5:8
  2. He can take many forms 2 Corinthians 11:14-15
  3. Those within our own ranks Matthew 16:23
  4. Our thoughts Genesis 6:5; 2 Corinthians 10:5
  5. Those without Ephesians 6:12
2. The cause for which we fight and its values
  1. One may understand the cause and values for he volunteered for this fight - he has not been drafted
  2. The cause is the salvation of the world 1 Corinthians 5:55; John 14:1-3; Isaiah 53:6; 1 Peter 2:25
  3. The value is priceless Matthew 16:26
  4. Yet some will exchange the value for a lot less than it is worth a morsel of pottage
3. The equipment for the fight and that has been issued Ephesians 6:11-17
  1. We must know how to properly use this equipment Hebrews 4:12; 2 Timothy 2:15
  2. We would not let children play with a knife
  3. We cannot play in this fight 1 Peter 5:8
  4. The devil wants YOU!

### III Conclusion

1. Are you ready for the enemy?
2. Now is the time to get ready!
3. Do you truly understand that your soul is at stake?
4. You can and should know that it is
5. Are you familiar with the equipment? You can through proper study
6. You can overcome the enemy by submitting to God James 4:7-8

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