

Seeing The Invisible - Week 5 Ephesians 6 (Spiritual Warfare)

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to **stand against the wiles of the devil**.¹² For **we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places**.¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, **that you may be able to withstand in the evil day**, and having done all, to stand.

1/ All Christians are constantly under spiritual attack

2/ Wrestling is a constant and endless battle until we go to heaven

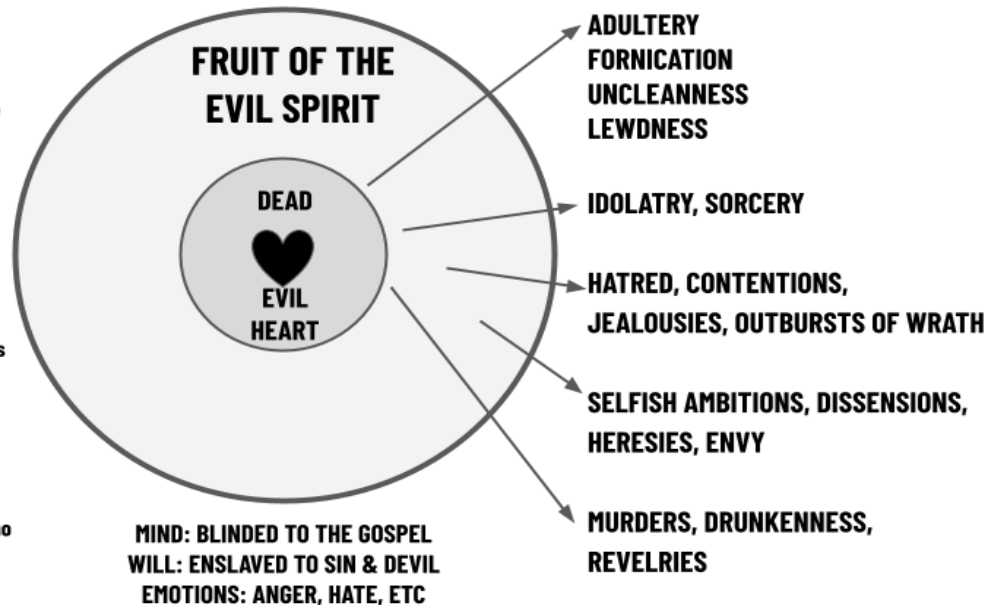
Galatians 5:17, 19-21 (NKJV)

¹⁷ For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

¹⁹ **Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness,**

²⁰ **idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,**

²¹ **envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like;** of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that **those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.**



2 Corinthians 4:3-4 (NKJV)

³ But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

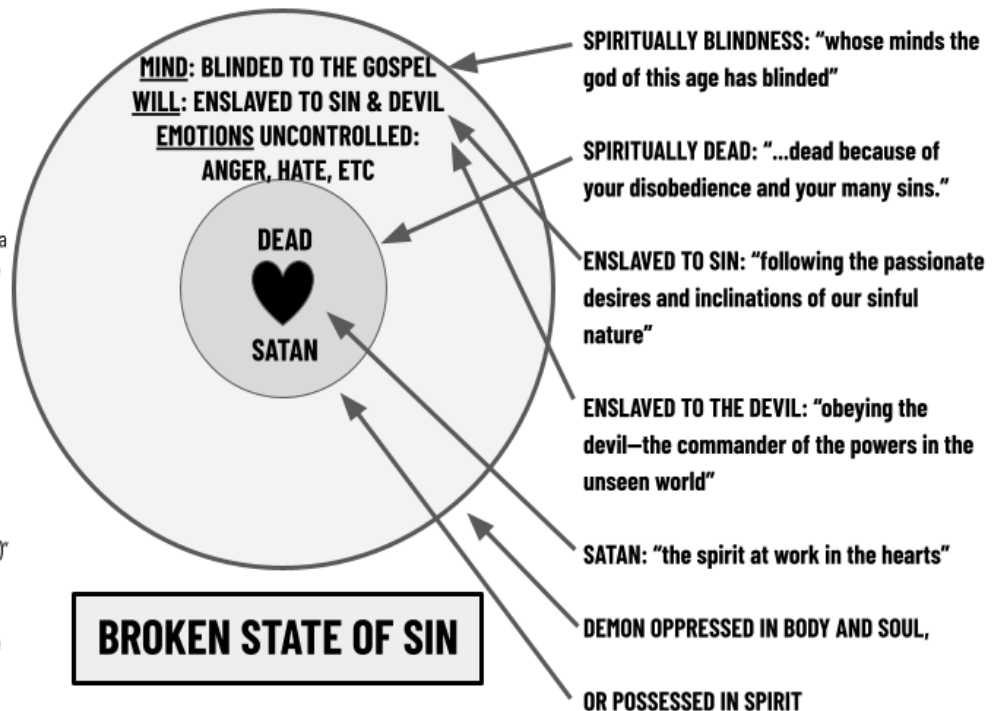
⁴ **whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe,**

Matthew 8:16 (NLT2) "many demon-possessed people were brought to Jesus. He cast out the evil spirits with a simple command, and he healed all the sick."

Matthew 12:22 (NKJV) "Then one was brought to Him who was **demon-possessed, blind and mute**; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw."

Mark 5:12-13 (NKJV) "the **unclean spirits went out and entered the swine** (there were about two thousand)"

1 John 5:19 (NLT2) "We know that we are children of God and that **the world around us is under the control of the evil one.**"



Galatians 5:18, 22-25 (NKJV)

¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

²³ gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

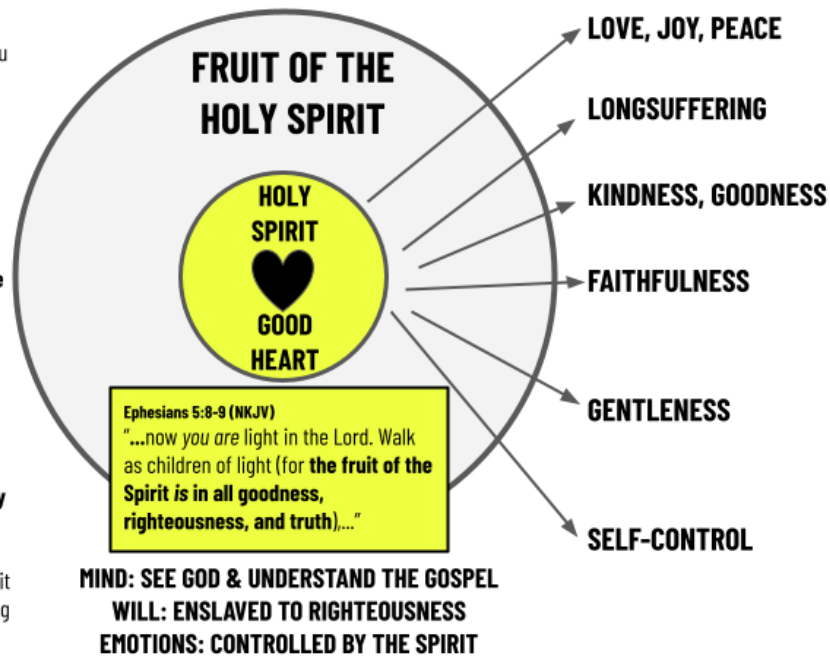
²⁴ And **those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.**

²⁵ If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Romans 8:9,14 (NLT2)

⁹ But you are not controlled by your sinful nature. **You are controlled by the Spirit if you have the Spirit of God living in you.** (And remember that those who do not have the Spirit of Christ living in them do not belong to him at all.)

¹⁴ For **all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.**



Romans 8:3-4 (NLT2)

³ The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body **God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins.**

⁴ He did this **so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.**

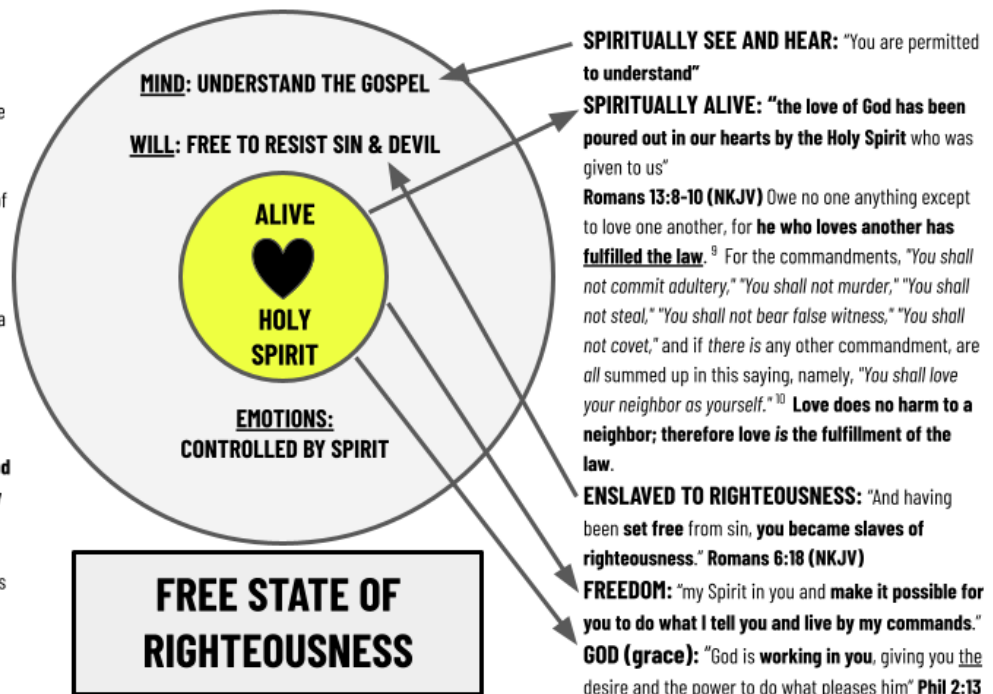
John 7:38-39 (AMP) ...From his innermost being shall flow [continuously] springs and rivers of living water. But He was speaking here of the Spirit...

Matthew 13:11,23 (NLT2) "You are permitted to understand the secrets of the Kingdom of Heaven, but others are not... The seed that fell on good soil represents those **who truly hear and understand God's word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times** as much as had been planted!"

Romans 5:5 (NKJV) "Now hope does not disappoint, because **the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit** who was given to us."

Ephesians 5:8-9 (NKJV)

"...now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for **the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth**),..."



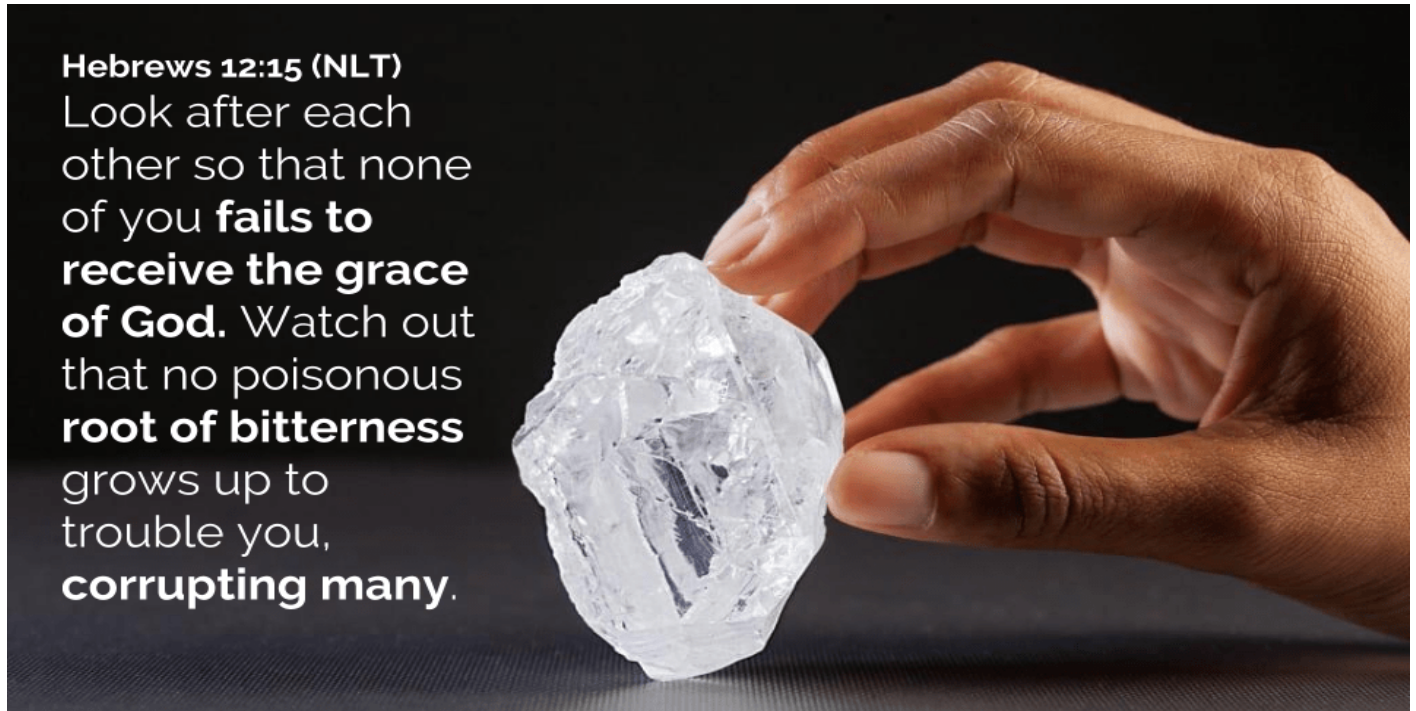
Ephesians 4 (Do Not Grieve the Spirit)

²⁵ Therefore, putting away lying, "Let each one of you speak truth with his neighbor," for we are members of one another. ²⁶ "Be angry, and do not sin": **do not let the sun go down on your wrath,** ²⁷ nor give place to the devil.

²⁸ Let him who stole steal no longer, **but rather let him labor, working** with his hands what is good, that he may **have something to give him who has need.**

²⁹ Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, **but what is good for necessary edification**, that it may impart grace to the hearers.

³⁰ **And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God**, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. ³¹ Let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice. ³² **And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another**, even as God in Christ forgave you.



Hebrews 12:15 (NLT)
Look after each other so that none of you **fails to receive the grace of God.** Watch out that no poisonous **root of bitterness** grows up to trouble you, **corrupting many.**

Matthew 18 (The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant)

²¹ Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?"

²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven. ²³ Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵ But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. ²⁶ The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' ²⁷ Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt.

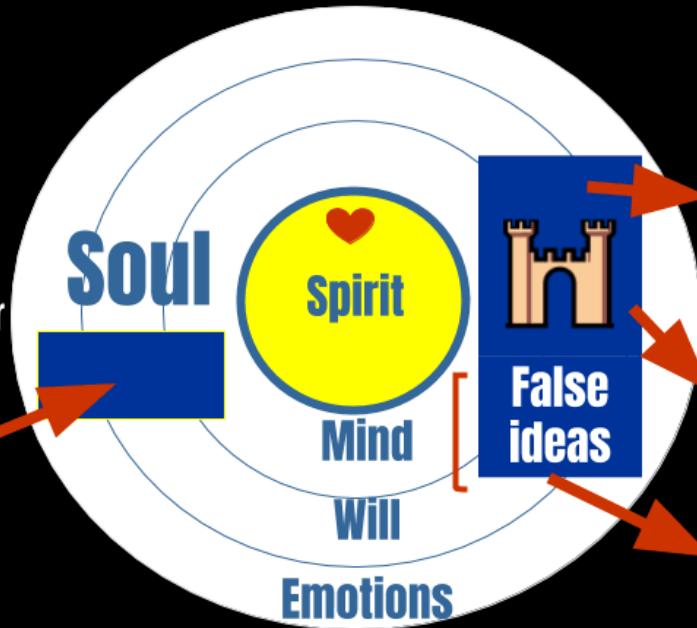
²⁸ "But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took *him* by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' ²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' ³⁰ And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. ³¹ So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. ³² Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. ³³ Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' ³⁴ **And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him.**

³⁵ **"So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."**

The Way We Give Place to the Devil

Ephesians 4:26-27

"Be angry, and do not sin": do not let the sun go down on your wrath, nor give place to the devil.



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place of control

1. Bitterness, greed, or immorality give ground to Satan
2. He builds strongholds on his ground
3. Wrong decisions

The Tormentors are Conquered By God's Grace

- 1/ Confess each sin
- 2/ Claim the blood
- 3/ Verbally ask God to take back the lost ground
- 4/ Tear down the strongholds with truth
- 5/ Transform your thinking with God's Word
- 6/ Completely forgive those who offended you

Tormentors lose control of your soul



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