



He is **STILL** The Lord,

He is **STILL** ADEQUATE;

He is **STILL** SUFFICIENT,

He's **STILL** more than ENOUGH through all 2009.

Here's something I read this week:

A pastor asked the children during his sermon what AMEN means.

One little boy raised his hand and said *"It means tha-tha-tha-that's all folks!"*

### **THE BATTLEGROUND IS YOUR MIND**

The mind has been called the battleground where Satan does his work, and indeed it really is!

However; you must remember, your mind is not the real you.

You *are* a spirit, you *have* a mind, and you *live* in a body according to 1 Thess. 5:23.

God has given each of us weapons that are effective in this battle in the mind.

In 2 Corinthians 10:3-5, we are told that our weapons are not merely physical weapons of flesh and blood, because we are not to do physical battle. Satan is not a physical being, neither are his

cohorts, his demons.

2 Cor 10:3 *For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh.*

4 *For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,*

5 *casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,*

In order to do battle with them we need spiritual weapons. We not only have these weapons, we are told that they are mighty – when used through God!

I want you to notice the area of battle it speaks of in verse five, *Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ.*

The word in the Greek translated, *strongholds*, is the word *ochuroma*, meaning *fortify, holding, castle, figuratively, an argument.*

Satan tries to establish fortifications or arguments in your mind. Sometimes these *arguments* are like castles, hard to penetrate!

But we can do it! We have the necessary weapons - the major one being the Sword of the Spirit, the Word of God! [Eph. 6:17] The word, *imagination* in this text means, *computations, reasoning, conscience and conceit.*

Then the word *thought* means, *perception, purpose, the intellect, disposition* and comes from a word meaning, *to exercise the mind.*

Why did we go into this word study?

Because I believe we need to see something important; Satan would love to get you involved with deceptive thinking, doubts, fears, worrying, etc., until you are so caught up in it that you are of no use to yourself or anyone else!

We need to grab hold of what we think on and bring it into line with the Word of God!

Philippians 4:8 says, *Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, THINK ON THESE THINGS.*

What one thing do we have that meets all of these qualifications? It's the Word of God!

How can you win this mental war?

You have the primary weapon - The Word! So use it!

Think on it, and what it has to say about your situation. Soon, as you begin to meditate on the Word and speak it, your circumstances will begin to agree with the Word and your mind will no longer put forth arguments about it!

You will have won the battle Jesus won the war over 2000 years ago for you!

***Norman***

Just a smile

I hear the greatest female financier in the Bible was Pharaoh's daughter; she went down to the 'bank of the Nile' and drew out a little prophet!

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