

Prayer Focus

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Uncommon Warfare

In uncommon warfare- God is strengthening us

Have you been going through warfare that may seem uncommon or a bit much? The season we have been in has brought a heightened level of spiritual warfare for many believers in the body of Christ. For some, it has been unbearable. These past few weeks my family and I experienced a level of spiritual warfare we have not experienced before. We experienced unbearable treatment by unexpected visitors in early morning hours. In the thick of it I had to make a split decision to stop allowing the enemy to cause us as a family to lose our faith in the Lord even if we did not understand the "what and why" behind what was happening in that moment.

I remember I reached the point where I cried out to the Lord and decreed His Word over me and my family and our circumstances. It was these scriptures in

Philippians 4:11-13

11 Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content. 12 I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: everywhere and in all things am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need. 13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

In that moment, when I cried out to the Lord for help, the noise of the spiritual warfare ceased even though it was in my home. The chaos, confusion, the fear and uncertainty, was immediately silenced and I heard the Lord say in that moment to me,

"I am here, I will not let harm come to you and your family." I remembered that my faith in Christ was not based on my circumstances but on the sure foundation of Christ, the unshakeable and our strong tower whom we can run into and be safe.

Proverbs 18:10

The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

I want to encourage you that if you are experiencing uncommon warfare in this season, let us focus on the One who overcame the world despite the warfare that came against His very life. Jesus understood that "uncommon warfare" was a clear indication of victory in Christ. We read it here:

John 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Jesus overcame the world. We know what happened to Him on the Cross. Christ is our of Glory as it says in

Colossians 1:27

To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

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Know this - He has gone before us and He who has called us, is faithful to be our strength in our greatest moment of weakness and He is making us strong in Him.

-Christianna Anastasia Schreifels

Pray

- Worship and Praise the Lord.
- Pray for God's strength to increase so many can do God's way.
- Ask the Lord for wisdom and His perspective in the difficult moments.
- For the message of the Gospel to go out from us.
- For God to make us Brave even in the face of persecution
- For us to live "out loud" and not become intimidated.

The song that comes to mind is - It is well with my soul. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AHe_qmo3gX4