

# The Lord's Army

*"For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world - our faith." 1 John 5:4 (New King James Version)*

The Lord doesn't need \_\_\_\_\_ soldiers and \_\_\_\_\_ patriots!

## The Christian's Call To Arms

A. Christians have been called to prepare for battles:

1. Matthew 26:52 - \_\_\_\_\_ doesn't call for a literal \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Matthew 10:34 - He didn't come to bring \_\_\_\_\_, but to bring a \_\_\_\_\_.
3. 1 Timothy 1:18 - Paul wanted \_\_\_\_\_ to wage the good \_\_\_\_\_.
4. 2 Timothy 2:3,4 - Good \_\_\_\_\_ must endure \_\_\_\_\_.  
It is Christ who has \_\_\_\_\_ us in His service.

B. Whitehead: Our present \_\_\_\_\_ age doesn't accommodate itself to true \_\_\_\_\_.

## The Christian's Fields Of Battle

A. Where are Christians likely to encounter conflict?

1. Matthew 10:34-36 - Opposition may come from within our own \_\_\_\_\_.
2. 2 Corinthians 10:3,4 - We must sometimes use the \_\_\_\_\_ of our warfare in dealing with \_\_\_\_\_ who teach error.
3. Ephesians 6:10-12,16 - Ultimately it is \_\_\_\_\_ who is out to strike us with his \_\_\_\_\_ darts. He'll strike anywhere!

B. Neuman: "The \_\_\_\_\_ is the place where man's supreme and final \_\_\_\_\_ are \_\_\_\_\_."

## The Christian's Confidence In Victory

A. Those in the Lord's army are assured of victory:

1. Nehemiah 4:20 - "Our \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_."
2. 1 John 5:4 - The only thing we possess which will help us \_\_\_\_\_ the world is our \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Revelation 17:14 - The \_\_\_\_\_ will \_\_\_\_\_ His foes.  
He is \_\_\_\_\_ of kings and \_\_\_\_\_ of lords.

B. Bernard of Clairvaux: "Only by \_\_\_\_\_ can we be defeated."

"These are the \_\_\_\_\_ that try men's \_\_\_\_\_."  
\_\_\_\_\_ is ahead for God's soldiers. But so is \_\_\_\_\_!

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