SPIRITUAL WARFARE Part 1

Ephesians 6:10-20

Intro: Two extremes about the devil:

- 1. A <u>demon</u> behind every <u>tree</u>.
- 2. The <u>devil</u> is a <u>myth</u>.

Background:

- 1. Fourth largest city in the world.
- 2. Temple of Artemis/Diana
- 3. Gross immorality.

(See Acts 19)

- 4. No understanding of the Holy Spirit. (1-5)
- 5. Persecution. (8-10)
- 6. Evil spirits and demonic warfare. (11-16)
- 7. Infested with the occult. (19)

I. Adversary.

A. A decided fact.

Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. (11)

Cf. John 8:44, Eph. 6:11, II Tim. 2:26, II Peter 2:1-3 II Cor. 11:14, Rev. 12:9, I John 3:8, II Cor. 2:11 II Cor. 11:3, II Thess. 2:9-10, Mt. 24:24, Gen. 3:1

B. A destructive force.

"Take your stand..." (11)

- 1. Schemer. Greek: Methodia = method
- 2. <u>Spirit</u> world. (12)
- 3. Strong. (12)
- 4. Sinister. (12) AKA: Devil

C. A defeated foe.

Cf. I John 4:4

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