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"<sup>10</sup>Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. <sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." Ephesians 6:10-12 (KJV)

## **Spiritual Warfare for End Times:**

### **1. Unveil Your OPPOSITION.** Ephesians 6:10-12

"Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour." 1 Peter 5:8 (NLT)

"And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever." Revelation 20:10 (NIV)

#### 2. Utilize Your ARMOR. Ephesians 6:10-17

"<sup>13</sup>Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground ... <sup>14</sup>Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, <sup>15</sup>and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." Ephesians 6:13-17 (NIV)

#### **3. Understand Your ASSIGNMENT.** Ephesians 6:17-20

"Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. <sup>18</sup>And <u>pray in the Spirit</u> on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints." Ephesians 6:17-18 (NIV)

"<sup>26</sup>In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. <sup>27</sup>And He who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God." Romans 8:26-27 (NIV)

#### **4. Use Your WEAPONS.** Ephesians 6:16-17

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"For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Hebrews 4:12 (NIV)

