

Warfare

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I. Introduction.

II. The battle is on. We are all engaged in it.

A. Our army is a volunteer army.

B. We have responsibilities.

1. To obey. (2 Timothy 2:4)

2. To be accountable to someone.

C. There is no discharge in this army. (Ecclesiastes 8:8; Isaiah 42:14)

D. We have to be disciplined physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. (1 Corinthians 9; Proverbs 5:23; Psalm 50:16-17)

III. There are some principles of war that are applicable to the battle we are engaged in. We need to be aware of the principles and apply them.

A. The objective: to save the lost. (Luke 19:10; Matthew 28:19-20)

B. The offensive.

1. This is an attitude as well as an action.

2. The aggressor has the advantage.

C. Concentration and cooperation.

D. Mobility and surprise.

1. We can be mobile in prayer.

2. Mobility allows for surprise.

E. Security.

F. Communication, supply and reserve.

G. Pursuit.

IV. The ultimate victory is won. There are battles to be fought and won in our personal life until the day we receive the final victory in our personal lives, the lives of other people and in the world in God's time. (Ephesians 6:10).

Application questions:

1. Why is it important to view the Christian life as a battle?

2. How would you sum up the principles of biblical warfare?

3. Which principle do you need to develop the most? How will you go about doing this in a practical and measurable way?
