

Spiritual Warfare and Faith

Won or lost in the quality — not the quantity — of your faith

Spiritual warfare is won or lost in what you believe.

Belief = faith. In Scripture they are the same word. The fight is decided not by how much faith you can muster, but by its quality: genuine, undivided trust resting on the true God and His word.

John 8:32

1 Faith: Quality, Not Quantity

- The mustard seed settles it — the smallest real faith is enough; the power is not in the size.
Matt. 17:20 · Luke 17:5-6
- “Little faith” = divided, not small — wavering, double-minded trust.
Matt. 14:31 · Mark 9:24
- “Great faith” = takes God at His word — it’s the character and the object of faith.
Matt. 8:8-13
- “Measure of faith” = a gift God apportions — raised to humble us, not to rank us.
Rom. 12:3 · Eph. 4:7

2 What We Believe In

THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS

- Won through obedience, exalted with the name above every name.
Phil. 2:8-11
- By the cross He disarmed the powers of darkness.
Col. 2:15
- He restored the dominion meant from the beginning.
Gen. 1:26-28 · Eph. 1:20-22
- Salvation and authority in no other name.
Acts 4:12

OUR AUTHORITY IN HIM

- Greater is the One in us than the one in the world.
1 John 4:4
- Authority over the full force of the enemy.
Luke 10:19
- Commissioned — by name — to cast out demons.
Mark 16:17 · Matt. 10:8
- All authority is His; therefore we go, and He is with us.
Matt. 28:18-20

3 Won or Lost in What You Believe

A lie believed is ground surrendered. Beliefs become footholds.

- Jesus fought Satan with Truth – answering every lie, “It is written,” and the devil fled.
Matt. 4:1-11 · James 4:7
- So renew your mind; the truth sets you free.
Rom. 12:2 · John 8:31-32 · 2 Cor. 10:3-5

YOUR FEELINGS ARE AN INDICATOR OF YOUR BELIEF SYSTEM

- What you feel reveals what you believe – the heart is the wellspring.
Prov. 4:23 · Luke 6:45
- Feel it → name it → trace it → replace it: “When I feel that, what does it feel like is true about me, about God?” Then answer with truth.
Ps. 42:5
- What you believe, you perceive – a lie becomes the lens. Same giants: Caleb saw victory; the ten “seemed like grasshoppers.”
Titus 1:15 · Num. 13:30, 33
- What you believe, you receive – blessing or curse. Agree with truth, come under the blessing; agree with the lie, open the door to the curse.
Deut. 30:19 · Num. 14:28 · Heb. 4:2 · Prov. 18:21
- The hope: Christ redeemed us from the curse – come out of agreement with the lie and back under the blessing.
Gal. 3:13-14

✓ My Response

- Ask the Holy Spirit to search my heart.
Ps. 139:23-24
- Name one lie I’ve believed; answer it with the truth (“It is written...”).
- Forgive, and renounce any agreement that opened a door.

“...you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” — John 8:32

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