

PRAYER STUDY #95
A CALL TO BATTLE

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle[to the ground] not against flesh and blood, but against principalities[territorial spirits over geographical areas, towns, churches, ministries, etc.], against powers[demonic forces over world systems such as educational systems, prison systems, governments, etc.], against rules of darkness of this world[demonic forces responsible for slanted news; pornography, violence and sensuality of television and movies and literatures; demonic influences in certain types of music], against spiritual wickedness in high places[demonic forces responsible for cults, the occult, false doctrine, falls of prominent Christian leaders].

Ephesians 6:10-12

Then He called His twelve disciples together and gave them power and authority over all demons and to cure diseases.

Luke 9:1

Before engaging in battle for this Middle Georgia area, I would highly recommend that you read the novel *This Present Darkness* by Frank Peretti. This is very eye-opening about the importance of prayer over a territory.

Rules of Engagement

1. Don't throw your pearl before swine. (*Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet and turn again and lacerate you.* Matthew 7:6)
There is something in many that wants to tear-up and over-analyze and bit you whenever you step out and try to fight forces of darkness. Therefore, it is wise to not discuss strategies and plans outside of this group.
2. Go near sites that are sources of spiritual problems for this area but do not trespass illegally and do not draw attention to yourself.
3. Commit to pray regularly in your prayer closet for the next few months at least. Also, prayer walks and prayer rides can be helpful and fun as you speak over the land and see the darkness pushed back.
4. There is almost always a counterattack against you when the enemy is being pushed back.
5. Keep the leadership and/or elders here informed. If you feel like you are coming under heavy attack, we need to know. Also, inform us

when you see any signs of victory. (The media is usually a good source of testimonies. For example, when you pray against the drug situation in the county, you will begin to notice more and more arrests of drug dealers reported in the press.)

6. Don't get discouraged. Some of the signs you look for will not come in the next months, but the Lord is storing up your prayers in heaven's bank account, and He will withdraw the funds at the right time. His Rhema Word never returns void.
7. It is always good to go out in pairs or to pray in agreement. Sometimes this is not practical, but in general you need a brother or sister engaging in warfare prayer with you.

Tonight's Practice Run

1. List some areas of concern in this Middle Georgia area.
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.
 - e.
 - f.
 - g.
 - h.
 - i.
 - j.
2. Select a particular area that you especially interested in seeing pulled down.
3. Select one or two partners to agree with you.
4. Take a prayer walk or ride.