

Sword of the Spirit

Ephesians 6:14-18 (New International Version)

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. **And** pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

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The **Sword of my Spirit** should flow through you like your blood reaches every part of you. When you open your mouth wide I'll fill it. My word is pregnant with power when you speak it, I jump out alive and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, I penetrate even to divide soul & spirit, joint & marrow, I judge the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

Your entire body is fully protected before you take the Sword of the Spirit.

Ephesians 6: 17 ... and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

When we wield this sword we must move by compassion as Christ did.

Prayer

- Oh God I pray that the power of God will come upon the Christian people that they will feel the necessity of submitting the wicked, accursed, vile mind of man to the living God to be purged, cleansed, healed and restored; that it may become in deed and in truth the mind of Christ. In Jesus' name pray Amen.
- Father my heart is full for America and its many idols. They are everywhere you look. School, church, stores, billboards - Everything there is has become an idol and Christ is so hard to find in the lives of the people.
From what I can tell 90% or more of the churches in America are secular churches. The blood of Jesus and His transforming power is something they don't want to touch, let alone look at.

Where is your remnant?

It is so heart breaking to see so many people going through the motions and emotions of religion and completely missing the truth. Focused on either the freedom and let's do anything we want or the curse and a damning everyone. And you are about neither. You came into this world not to condemn it but to save it.

You move by compassion.

This whole world is already condemned it doesn't need to be condemned more. It needs away of escape, it needs freedom, it needs the truth.

I can visualize Nazi Germany concentration camps. A person is stripped naked, beaten, raped, defecated on. Treated worse than an unwanted rat in your home.

Then you see two people watching that person both feel that must go and speak to them,

The first Christian goes up to them and yelling at them "You are going to go to hell. You have poop on your face, you are naked and you smell terrible. You know hell is a real place. You will burn forever.

The second Christian goes up and says "Oh you got poop all over your face, good for you, you know it does wonders for your skin. And look at your body, you have such a beautiful body. You would make any model jealous.

What happen to the real truth? The person living the Christ Life. This person goes up to the person, puts their arm around them and says "Oh honey come with me , I see the pain you hide and there is a way out, I know the path to escape - Jesus made away out for us, you don't have to be beaten, raped and treated this way anymore. You are really a child of the most high King and he sent me to rescue you and help you get home. Come, come, this is the way.

I sit and cry.

Where are your people Lord? Where are your freedom fighters?
Freedom for the enslaved from their enslavement to Satan. The father
of lies.

Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is alive and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, it penetrates even to divide soul and spirit, joint and marrow, it judges the thoughts and the attitudes of the heart.

Death and life are in the power of the tongue ... Proverbs 18:21

Mark 16:15-18

John 14 – Do what Jesus did and great. “If you ask anything in my name I will do it.”

Christ was moved by compassion

Compassion

Noah Webster Dictionary 1828

1. A suffering with another; painful sympathy; a sensation of sorrow excited by the distress or misfortunes of another.

Is this what we feel when we are praying for someone else?

“Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha. (It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.) Therefore his sisters sent for him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom you love is sick. When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby. Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus. These things said he: and after that he said to them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep. Then said Jesus to them plainly, Lazarus is dead. And said, Where have you laid him? They said to him, Lord, come and see. Jesus wept. Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him! And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth. “John 11:1-5; 11; 14; 34-36 & 43

He prayed for the ears of God not the ears of man.

*While Elijah was praying for others, the Lord was willing to do the miraculous for him, but as soon as he selfishly asked for that which is natural to all, he was refused. Let us not be selfish in our prayers, but ask for the salvation and blessing of others. **If we are more than Christ minded we are Christ hearted,***

we will not be greatly interested in material things, but more interested in spiritual blessing.

As we pray so will we live. If we pray for self we will live for self; if we pray for other we will live for God to use us to minister and bless others.

Remember, fervent heartfelt prayer is the key to an effective prayer life and makes much of God's tremendous power available.

It is the power in prayer that will shake the nations with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

“But he, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity...” Psalm 78:38 KJV

“And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick.” Matthew 14:14 KJV

“Then Jesus called his disciples to him, and said, I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away fasting, lest they faint in the way.” Matthew 15:32 KJV

“So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him.” Matthew 15:32 KJV

“And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and said to him, I will; be thou clean.” Mark 1:41 KJV

“Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but said to him, Go home to your friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for you, and has had compassion on you.” Mark 5:19 KJV

“And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and was moved with compassion toward them, because they were as sheep not having a shepherd: and he began to teach them many things.” Mark 6:34 KJV

Young man from Nain – dead “And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her,.. Luke 7:13 (KJV)

Reckless words pierce like a sword, but the tongue of the wise brings healing.
Proverbs 12:18

A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth, Proverbs 13:2

He that keeps his mouth keeps his life: but he that opens wide his lips shall have destruction. Proverbs 13:2

A wise man's heart guides his mouth, and his lips promote instruction. Proverbs 16:23

A fool's mouth is his undoing, and his lips are a snare to his soul. Proverbs 18:7

Set a watch oh Lord before my mouth and keep the door of my lips. Psalm 141:3

"A wholesome tongue is a tree of life" (Prov. 15:4), and we know that Jesus Christ is the Tree of Life -- ever living (Rev. 2:7).

"The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life" (Prov.10 :11), and John 4:14 tells us that He (Jesus) is the water for the thirsty. Jesus also said, *"If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink"* (John 7:37). *"In the lips of him that hath understanding wisdom is found..."* (Prov. 10:13), *"...and with wisdom the house is built"* (Prov. 24:3-4).

"The lips of the righteous feed many" (Prov. 10-21), and Jesus said, *"Feed My sheep"* (John 21:15-17).

"Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is recognized by its fruit. You brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks. The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned." Matthew 12:33-37

The Spirit gives life; the flesh counts for nothing. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. John 6:63