

Weapons of our Warfare in Worship

Battle Ready

All scripture taken from NKJV of the Holy Bible

We are in a Spiritual War:

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 *for though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ*



Ephesians 6:10-18 *Speaks of our Battle Dress Code. Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places...*

What do we mean **Battle Ready**?

- As a prophetic people, what are we releasing into the atmosphere?
- What are we inviting into the atmosphere?
- Who do we represent?
- Who or what is our object of worship?

These questions reveal whether or not we are Battle Ready.

Here is a condensed list of our **Weapons of Warfare**:

- The Word of God
- Faith
- Full Armor
- Our Confession
- Testimonials
- Forgiveness
- Prayer
- Angels
- Gifts of the Spirit
- Prophecy
- Revelation Knowledge
- The Shout
- Encouragement
- The Blood of Jesus
- Names of God
- Fruits of the Spirit
- Tithes
- Miracles
- Binding & Loosing
- Praise & Worship
- Worship Arts/Dance



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Our focus is on the **Weapons** of:

1. Praise & Worship

As believers what is our 1st commandment? **WORSHIP**

- **Mark 12:29-30** Jesus answered him (speaking to the Pharisees'), "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with ALL your mind, and with all your strength.' This is the first commandment.
- **Praise is:** exuberant, joyful, delight, jumping & leaping.

Jesus is our example:

Luke 10:21 in that hour Jesus **rejoiced in the Spirit** and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in your sight.

- *Strong's #21, Goodrich/Kohlemberger lexicon #22: both agree on the meaning. Greatly rejoice, exceeding, joy, delight, jump for Joy.*
- **Worship is:** setting aside our agendas and pressing into His presence. Adoring Him for who He is. The Great *I Am*.

2. **Prophetic Worship Arts** - are being restored to the Church in these last days. This includes the dance, the arts and drama.

Scripture text – 2 Chronicles 20:13-22 (Read entire text)

A prophet gave a word;

- You will not need to fight this battle
- Position yourselves (**Battle Ready**), stand firm
- v15) for the battle is not yours it's God's



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v15-16) (repeated twice)

1. Don't fear or be discouraged (don't lose your courage)
2. Go out and face your enemies for the LORD is with you!

v18) King Jehoshaphat responds to the prophetic word and worships the LORD and the people under his command follow suit.

V19) The Levites praised God with a Loud and High voice.

- High Praise: executes judgment on our enemies
- **Psalm 149: 6-9** Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand, To execute vengeance on the nations, And punishments on the peoples; To bind their kings with chains, And their nobles with fetters (shackles) of iron; To execute on them the written judgment-- This honor have all His saints. Praise the Lord!

V21) The King called on the singers and also the worshipers to go out in front (go first) of the army - the front lines (cutting edge)

- They magnified God's Splendor & Holiness
- Went with their marching orders in thankfulness of heart

V22) as they **began** to sing & praise... the LORD fought the battle. He set up ambushes and the enemies fought each other.



V27) the army of the LORD returned rejoicing in the Victory.

V29) God brought rest to the kingdom of Jehoshaphat



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1. We see in V15-16) the **Prophetic** brought a *shift* in the atmosphere; they now had a battle plan from the LORD. They were **battle ready** (prepared).
 - **Amos 1:2** says: The Lord roars from Zion...
 - **Amos 3:7-8** Surely the Lord God does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets. A lion has roared! Who will not fear? The Lord God has spoken! Who can but prophesy?
2. The Leader or one under authority bowed before the LORD.
 - He spoke to His troops to have faith in the LORD & His prophets.
 - Are we a yielded vessel ready to receive all that God has for us?
 - Do we fight God when He speaks to us, like He's one of our enemies?



WHAT IS OUR **HEART ATTITUDE IN WORSHIP?**

When our heart attitude is right towards God, we become pourable vessels, containers of His Glory. Others will hunger for His presence when we do not hold back in our worship to our King. We will enter into the unlimited realm, the glory realm, the miraculous realm.

3. What do we do when it comes time to face the enemy?
 - Run & hide in fear?
 - Let someone else go to the front lines, choosing a life of complacency?
 - Stand firm as a soldier in God's army?
 - Do we get our **Praise** on, as Jesus did in Luke 10:21?



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CONCLUSION

4. God's blessings were poured out on obedient, yielded vessels!

2 - Fold

1. **Victory with spoil:** There was so much plunder that it took 3 days to collect it all. (Overflowing)
2. **Rest:** God gave *rest and peace* to the kingdom of Jehoshaphat during his entire reign as king. (The peace that surpasses all understanding)
 - Cease from all striving
 - Enter into the secret place of the Most High



We see that the LORD as our Commander and chief (EL-Gibhor); He will give us the battle plan. We must *yield and obey* His Word.

WORSHIP WARRIOR become...Battle Ready

