

There Was A War In Heaven

Revelation 12:7

And **there was war in heaven**: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

Jesus testified to this fact

Luke 10:18 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁸ And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven.

Where Are the Wars?

Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the devil walketh about as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. 1st Peter 5:8

Galatians 5:17 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁷ For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

James 4-1

From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?

Gods Solution: The Church

1 Peter 2 King James Version (KJV)

2 Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

- Willfully “let go” of these detrimental attributes that will open you up to the attack and manipulation of the devil.

² As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

- Maturity in the weaponry and the mind of Christ as a child’s maturity is essential for the future success.

³ If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

- 1... If you come to understanding how gracious, loving and kind God has been to you.

⁴To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,

Luke 20:17

And he beheld **them**, and said, What is this **then that** is written, **The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner.**

Psalm 118:22 (21st Century King James) The stone which the builders refused has become the head stone of the corner.

- It would appear that what we fear the most and that which we go to great lengths to avoid, is destined to be apart of the journey and life ordained for us. REJECTION

⁵Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

- You Also are a lively stone with Christ as the corner stone- foundation

⁶Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

⁷Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

- Peter confirms this is the one prophesied ordained to experience rejection in the process of becoming the “foundation” or better fulfilling the purpose for which God intended for him.

⁸And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

- You are an offence to persons who are being disobedient to the word and life God has purposed for us to live. You don't relish it, but you cannot deny

it for in denying it, you become irrelevant and “good for nothing” Math 5:13

⁹ But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

- You are chosen
- You are chosen to pray for the behalf of others
- You are chosen to live righteously
- You are chosen to be strange
- You are chosen to demonstrate God way of life in Jesus Christ
- You were chosen out of darkness
- You were chosen to walk in his light

¹⁰ Which in time past were not a people but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

- At the price of the brutal death of Gods Son you obtained mercy

¹¹ Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

- I am begging you to stop living to fulfill the passions of the body, repent and choose to resist and “do the right thing”

¹² Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

- Not everybody is going to be a hater, and when those people hear what they are saying about you they will have noticed your chaste behavior and godly ways and refute the lies about you. The haters are not rejecting you they are rejecting the message and the God that gave it to you!