



Fighting Words!
(Confess your way out)
(World War Me) – Part IV

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Fighting Words

Matthew 4:1-11 (New Living Translation)

1 Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted there by the devil. **2** For forty days and forty nights he fasted and became very hungry. **3** During that time the devil came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread." **4** But Jesus told him, "No! The Scriptures say, 'People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" **5** Then the devil took him to the holy city, Jerusalem, to the highest point of the Temple, **6** and said, "If you are the Son of God, jump off! For the Scriptures say, 'He will order his angels to protect you. And they will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.'" **7** Jesus responded, "The Scriptures also say, 'You must not test the Lord your God.'" **8** Next the devil took him to the peak of a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. **9** "I will give it all to you," he said, "if you will kneel down and worship me." **10** "Get out of here, Satan," Jesus told him. "For the Scriptures say, 'You must worship the Lord your God and serve only him.'" **11** Then the devil went away, and angels came and took care of Jesus.

Do What God Does

Ephesians 5:1

1 Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children.

We Don't Fight Like the World

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 (Contemporary English Version)

3We live in this world, but we don't act like its people **4**or fight our battles with the weapons of this world. Instead, we use God's power that can destroy fortresses. We destroy arguments **5**and every bit of pride that keeps anyone from knowing God. We capture people's thoughts and make them obey Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 (The Message)

3-6The world is unprincipled. It's dog-eat-dog out there! The world doesn't fight fair. But we don't live or fight our battles that way—never have and never will. The tools of our trade aren't



for or manipulation, but they are for demolishing that entire massively corrupt culture. We use our powerful God-tools for smashing warped philosophies, tearing down barriers erected against the truth of God, fitting every loose thought and emotion and impulse into the structure of life shaped by Christ. Our tools are ready at hand for clearing the ground of every obstruction and building lives of obedience into maturity.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 (King James Version)

3For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:**4**(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)**5**Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 (New Living Translation)

3 We are human, but we don't wage war as humans do. **4** We use God's mighty weapons, not worldly weapons, to knock down the strongholds of human reasoning and to destroy false arguments. **5** We destroy every proud obstacle that keeps people from knowing God. We capture their rebellious thoughts and teach them to obey Christ.

