

Who are Our Enemies?

Orlando Bible Students Special Study

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General References: R425:3; R2590:6; R5053:2; R5248:3; Vol. 6: p. 185-89, p. 626

Key Verses: *“Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.” —Eph. 6:11,12 (KJV)*

Note: “Put on,” Paul’s message is urgent. We (God’s people, The Saints) as good soldiers should be aware that being able to find the armor is not enough, but we must put it on and keep it on.

1) Why is it necessary that we engage in warfare or combat?

1 Tim. 6:12; 1 Peter 2:9-12; 1 Peter 5:8

2) What is your understanding of “For we wrestle not against flesh and blood”?

John 3:17-21

What are some other words that can be used in place of ‘wrestle’?

See Expanded Biblical Comments p. 462; Jude 3; Ps. 140:7; Rom. 7:23-25

3) Why is it that the world is our enemy?

1 John 2:12-17; 2 Cor. 4:4,18; Matt. 7:13; Gal. 1:4; Rom. 8:1; James 3:14,15

4) Discuss the meaning of the things that we wrestle against: ‘principalities’; ‘powers’; ‘the rulers of the darkness of this world’; ‘spiritual wickedness in high places’?

Lev. 20:6; Job 9:24; Isa. 5:20-23; Isa. 8:19,20; John 8:44; 2 Cor. 2:11; 2 Cor. 10:4-5; Eph. 2:2

5) What two great forces are in conflict at the present time?

Isa. 14:12; Isa. 60:2,3; John 3:19,20; 2 Cor. 4:4; 2 Cor. 6:14; 1 John 2:10,11