

Living Godly Lives

Part 2 – The Christian and the World

This is important because...

- We must live *in the world* and shine God's light upon it – Jn. 17:11; Mt. 5:16
- We must not be *of the world* – Jn. 17:15-16
- This *hybrid* existence creates problems for us – Jn. 15:18-19; 17:14

Christians are Soldiers

- Jesus promised His disciples an abundant life – Jn. 10:9-10
- These promises are fulfilled as the Christian is engaged in battle.
 - This battle has been raging since the beginning – Gen. 3:14-15
 - It is a spiritual battle won with spiritual weapons – Eph. 6:10-12; 2 Cor. 10:3-5; Jn. 15:5; Eph. 6:13-17
- We must know the enemy and have the proper mindset to face him – 1 Pet. 5:8-10
- We must be aware of how the battle affects us – Rom. 7:21-8:2

We Fight By Faith

- Because faith is how we overcome the world – 1 Jn. 5:4
- Because it changes our approach to life – Phil. 3:7-14
 - Faith changes our values – 3:7-11
 - Faith changes our view of the past, present, and future – 3:12-14
- Because it provides renewed strength to fight – 2 Cor. 4:16-18
- Because it helps us live like we are dead – Gal. 2:20; Rom. 6:11-14; Col. 3:1-3