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Recap of The Route to Greatness Feb 04

Five Milestones to Attain in 2018:

1. Choose Life.
2. Emulate Righteousness.
3. Be Diligent; Make the Most of Every Opportunity.
4. Give the Sacrifice of Praise and Thanksgiving.
5. Allow God to fight Your Battles.

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Acts 4:26 “The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against His Anointed One.”

2 Corinthians 10:4-6

⁴ **The weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God** for pulling down strongholds, ⁵ 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, ⁶ and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

We have the weapon BUT God adds His powers to them to fight our battles.



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The Message version

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 marketing or manipulation, but they are for demolishing that entire massively corrupt culture. We use our powerful God-tools for smashing and tearing down.

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This understanding enables a good fighter to achieve results through God:

In Acts 10:38, bible says:

“And you know that God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. Then Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.”

“He went healing every disease and sickness among the people.” (Matth. 4:23)

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John 3: 1-2

“¹There was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that You are a teacher who has come from God. **For no one could perform the signs You are doing if God were not with him.**"

John 3:34

“For the One whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit without limit.”

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In Isaiah 42:1, God said:

"Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my elect in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will bring justice to the nations."

John 6:27

"For on Jesus God the Father has placed His seal of approval."

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Elijah depended solely on God

In 1 Kings 17,

1 Elijah said to Ahab, “As the LORD, the God of Israel lives, before whom I stand, surely there shall be neither dew nor rain these years, except by my word.” ...and there was no rain for 3½ years.

- **14** “Elijah said to the widow, for thus says the LORD God of Israel, ‘The bowl of flour shall not be exhausted, nor shall the jar of oil be empty, until the day that the LORD

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sends rain on the face of the earth.” **15** So she went and did according to the word of Elijah, and she and he and her household ate for *many* days. **16** The bowl of flour was not exhausted nor did the jar of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD which He spoke through Elijah.”

20 **Elijah** called to the LORD and said, “O LORD my God, have You also brought calamity to the widow with whom I am staying, by causing her son to die?”

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22The LORD heard the voice of Elijah, and the life of the child returned to him and he revived. **23**Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper room into the house and gave him to his mother; and Elijah said, “See, your son is alive.” **24**Then the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

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Brethren, in the battle Ground, The weapons of our warfare *are not carnal but mighty in God.*

In Exodus 33:15, Moses said to God, "If Your presence does not go with us, do not lead us up from here. 16" **For how then can it be known that I have found favor in Your sight, I and Your people? Is it not by Your going with us, so that we, I and Your people, may be distinguished from all the other people who are upon the face of the earth?"**

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In **1 Samuel 30:8**, David inquired of the Lord, “Shall I pursue this raiding party? Will I overtake them?” “Pursue them,” God answered. “You will certainly overtake them and succeed in the rescue.”

David would not act without first seeking the Lord’s counsel (1 Sam 23, 1 Sam 30:8-9, etc.)

1 Samuel 23:1-3 “Then they told David, ‘Look, the Philistines are fighting against Keilah, and they are robbing the threshing floors.’” The Philistines had besieged Keilah, a fortified city within Judah’s borders (Josh. 15:21,44). “Therefore David inquired of the LORD, saying, ‘Shall I go and attack these Philistines?’

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SUMMARY: God fights our battles.

We are only His instruments to be used, His objects (battle axes and weapons of war). With us God will shatter nations and destroy kingdoms.

I Peter 3:22

“²² Christ has gone to heaven. He is seated in the place of honor next to God, and all the angels and authorities and powers accept his authority.”

Brethren, God exalted beside God drawing power forever. And all authorities on the battle ground accept that authority and bow.

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Philippians 2: 9-10 “⁹God exalted Him to the highest place, and gave Him the name above all names. ¹⁰At the mention of the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”

Key:

- **Call God to fight your battles**
 - **Ask God to anoint you and your weapons**
 - **Ask God to use you as His agent**
 - **Ask God to be with you in the battle ground**
 - **Ask God to always let His presence go with us**
 - **Do not be silent in fighting, use the name of Jesus**
- GOD BLESS YOU!**

2018 PRAYER POINTS

1. **Prayer over the message of today. Ask God to be our God at the battle ground.**
2. **Let this house be indeed the house of prayer for all nations (Isaiah 56:7)**
3. **Prayer for Leadership of Nations ...**
 - a. The Lord to open their eyes to see the needs of the people
 - b. Leaders to see their positions as mountain top necessary to effect the lives of their citizens
4. **God to eradicate Troubles/Wars in nations so that people will be free to serve the Lord.**
5. **God to hear our prayers and cleanse our land (2 Chro 7:13-18)**
6. **Pray for Minsters, Ministries, Missionaries and Missions**
7. **Marriages, Children & families to stay together**
8. **Members of the fellowship – grace to live the 5 pillars**
- 9 **Needs in fellowship**
10. **Commit the week unto God and pray for next Sunday.**

