

Standing on the Wrong Side of the Battle

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Carter Conlon's sermon emphasizes the importance of recognizing when we are on the wrong side of spiritual battles and the need to realign with God's will for true victory.

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Description

This sermon emphasizes the importance of being on the right side of the spiritual battle, highlighting the consequences of straying from God's path and the need to return to seeking His will. Using the story of David in 1 Samuel, it encourages believers to trust in God's strength and guidance, even in the face of opposition and mistakes. The message calls for a return to faith, prayer, and seeking God's word to recover what the enemy has taken and to stand firm in the victory that God provides.

Transcript

I want to speak to you this morning about standing on the wrong side of the battle. Standing on the wrong side of the battle. If you go to first Samuel chapter 29, please with me and just leave your Bibles open there.

First Samuel chapter 29. And as you're finding it, we're going to pray together. Now, Lord, I God Almighty, I yield my body, my mind, my heart, my spirit to you.

This is a very difficult hour. You are a God of great power and great grace. You have a plan that will honor and glorify your own name.

God, would you help me today to speak this? Lord, I come to you in weakness and I trust for your strength to be made manifest that your name alone might be brought to the glory that you deserve. I yield my all. I ask you to expand the borders of this natural tent.

Give me thoughts, expressions, things Lord that I don't naturally possess. I yield to you, Holy Spirit, and I ask you to come and exalt Jesus Christ. I ask this with a believing heart in Jesus name.

Standing on the wrong side of the battle. Now, before we go to the scripture in first Samuel 29, I want to read to you from the book of Ezekiel. Now, I want you just to listen to this.

This is a prophetic promise that God makes to the nation of Israel. Now, I know it physically applies to Israel and we will live to see this happen, but it also applies to the church of Jesus Christ because we are adopted into the family of God. And in a sense, all the promises that were given to Israel are also, not exclusively, but also given to the church of Jesus Christ.

So, I want you to listen to this in that context. Ezekiel chapter 36, verse 21, he said, I had pity for my holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whether they went. Therefore say to the house of Israel, thus says the Lord God, I do not this for your sake, so house of Israel, but for my holy namesake, which you have profaned among the heathen, whether you went.

And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which you have profaned in the midst of them. And heathen shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen and gather you out of all countries and will bring you into your own land.

Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you and you shall be clean from all your filthiness and from all your idols will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you and a new spirit will I put within you. And I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh and I will give you a heart of flesh.

And I will put my spirit within you and cause you to walk in my statutes and you shall keep my judgments and do them. And you will dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers and you shall be my people and I will be your God. I will also save you from all your uncleannesses and I will call for the corn and will increase it and lay no famine upon you.

And I will multiply the fruit of the tree and the increase of the field and you shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen. Then you will remember your own evil ways and your doings that were not good and will loathe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations. Not for your sakes do I this saith the Lord God be it known to you be ashamed and confounded for your own ways O house of Israel.

Thus saith the Lord God in the day that I shall have cleansed you from all your iniquities I will also cause you to dwell in the cities and the wastes shall be builded and the desolate land shall be tilled whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by. And they shall say the land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are become fenced and are inhabited. Then the heathen that are left around about you shall know that I the Lord build the ruined places I plant that that was desolate I the Lord have spoken it and I will do it.

Thus saith the Lord God I will yet for this be inquired of by the house of Israel to do it for them I will increase them with men like a flock as the holy flock is the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men and they shall know that I am the Lord. Now God says I have a name and that in that name I have a people and all throughout history God's people have tragically made mistakes they've moved away from living in a manner that brings honor and glory to that name and sometimes find themselves standing on the wrong side of the battle. I want you to think of David for a moment because we're going to be talking about him in first Samuel.

Think of him called out from among others that were around him. You know that when you came to Christ you were called you were called out from your family you were called out from whatever past you have been part of the cords of those things were broken you were brought into the bond as it is of a brand new

life you were called to live in a manner that will truly bring glory to God. Think of when Samuel poured from that horn the oil upon the head of David and it ran down upon his garments as the scripture says in Psalm 133 even to the the bottom of of the clothing he was wearing that anointing is a covering anointing that anointing takes ordinary men and women like you and me and makes us extraordinary takes us out of the natural and brings us into the supernatural all that the name of Jesus Christ might be lifted up and glorified among men that the desire in the heart of God that all come to know him come to understand that they were created by him and for him that this desire that's in the heart of God might be met because there is a supernatural people in the earth that those who were without God look to and there is indisputable evidence in the lives of these people that there is indeed something about God and of God that they they don't know their their deepest efforts cannot bring them to this level as it is of achievement and change that comes into the hearts of those who truly belong to God.

Think of the incredible victories that David was given even in the infancy of his relationship with God when he was able to kill a lion and a bear as they attempted to devour his little flock think of him standing in his early years on the right side of the battle when Saul and all of his army seemingly powerless before the threatenings of the enemy that were coming against this land that was set apart to be a place of provision and blessing and think of all these warriors trembling they don't have a plan they don't know what to do so few have even the courage to consider confronting this voice of darkness that's coming against the nation and here comes this young worshiper anointed by God called out from among others can you see him going into the valley he has nothing more than the

things that he's come to trust and he's got a faith and a confidence in God who has given him supernatural ability and he knows it he knows that it's not by might nor by power but by the spirit of God that victories are won for the name of Christ and the incredible victories that God gave this young man when he walked in faith want you to think now when you first came to Christ think of the victories that God gave you think of the thoughts of suicide that suddenly just evaporated think of the things you were going to do the things you were thinking about that that had a such a stronghold in your life that you were powerless to turn from but suddenly you won a supernatural victory no less victorious than the victory of David the voices that claimed they had a lawful right to dominate your

life were now broken as you took one promise from God's word and just flung that right into the forehead of the devil himself and said no you're not dominating my life you're not dominating my future you're not dominating my family you don't have the last say in everything about my life as a matter of fact your saying is over your speaking is over that's what David was saying he was speaking it in the spirit to this giant no no your threatenings and all the things you say you're going to do it's over now it's over because God has found somebody who's willing to trust him you think of the sweet songs that God gave to this young man David he became a worshiper of God and the songs are not poems folks they're songs these are things that David with an instrument of music in his hands sang to

his own God and Savior he's brought into favor in the king's palace and many knew that the hand of God was upon him and so this is where David began until one day a difficulty arose which he could not have foreseen violent opposition came against the pathway that God had laid out before him you see God has determined to do something through your life beloved listen to me do you think the devil rolled over and died the day that God saved you and declared that he had a pathway for your life may even let you to a point as it is seemingly advanced unopposed and all of a sudden as you're getting close to what it is that God has destined that your life should be to bring glory to his name the enemy now comes against you with this violent opposition that's exactly what happened to David a former

friend Saul all of a sudden just turns a man who turns to the flesh as it is and knows little or nothing about the spirit of God turns against him and violently begins to oppose instead of he finds himself pursued as it is inside of the kingdom of God and he doesn't know what to do and in the midst of all of this he forms a plan and it's it's one of the first it's not the last but it's one of the first evidences of David beginning to take things into his own hands and the scripture tells us that David said I shall now perish one day by the hand of Saul that's in first Samuel chapter 27 verse 1 he says there's nothing better for me than I should speedily escape into the land of the Philistines and Saul will despair of me to seek any more seek me any more in the coast of Israel and I

will escape out of his hand this is where David goes now look at where he ends up in chapter 29 the Philistines are gathered together all their armies verse 1 to affect and the Israelites pitched by a fountain which is in Jezreel and the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds and by thousands and David and his men passed on in the rearward with a quiche now quiche is a Philistine king in Gath now here is David years after as it is facing the giant on the right side of the battle he now finds himself on the wrong side of the battle have you ever found yourself there you ever found yourself on the wrong side of an argument but you're so proud and stubborn you know it's wrong but still you march forward in your stubbornness you know you've been nailed you've been cornered the people

have rightly put their finger on something in you and you but you're just so stubborn you can't admit that you're walking in the flesh and you're not really yielded to the will of God in this particular moment of your life now what do you do when you find yourself standing on the wrong side of the battle you're associating with the wrong people and you're fighting for the wrong cause more importantly if you're a true child of God what will God do to correct you and get you headed in the right direction again you remember in Ezekiel he said I'm going to do something I do believe God's going to do it now in this generation I believe many of God's people are on the wrong side of the battle I think they're sitting under wrong ministry I think I know the reasoning is because they've stopped

seeking God they've stopped reading the Bible there's something's gotten into their heart they're being led by human reasoning and now here they are at the rear as it is of the Philistine army the one place when you read in the beginning of Samuel that you'd never ever think that David would be found God forbid if you saw the future one day this sweet psalmist this this young man who defeats the giant and brings this incredible victory is now marching with 600 or so men at the rear of the Philistine army about to cross over into Israel to fight against the armies of God now I know Saul was a flesh fleshly kingdom but David found himself in a lose-lose situation folks and when you're on the wrong side of the battle that's exactly where you are you're in a lose-lose situation and many

people are sitting there today but the Lord says no I'm going to bring them out and I'm going to show you in scripture how God brings his people out there is going to be a church that honors him in this generation there are going to be a people who know him again there are going to be a people who walk with him again there are going to be a people who dance in genuine truth in spirit and in truth before the presence of God again the Bible says in Hebrews 12 11 no chastening for the present seems to be joyous but grievous but afterwards it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been exercised by it in the scripture we find the pattern of God's dealing speaking of the children of Israel Paul says in first Corinthians chapter 10 and verse 11 all these things that

happened to them were written for our examples and they were written for our admonition upon whom the ends of the world have come now this story tells us how the Lord brought David out of a place he found

himself in after he had begun to follow his own reasoning and if we follow this story I think at some point you might find yourself in it I said earlier David faced a difficulty which he could have not foreseen violent opposition came against him came against it maybe you're experiencing opposition in your mind maybe you're the opposition came because of course David finds himself in a in a camp under a leadership that is in the flesh and even moving towards witchcraft now I think of the number of people today who are wanting God they're truly called of God they're truly anointed of God

but they found themselves under spiritual leadership that is is not seeking the kingdom of God leadership of the flesh and they don't know what to do and this leadership hates the anointing of God and they even may be trying to approach them with an idea that's born in the spirit only to find rejection and anger coming from those that are supposed to be leading the kingdom of God or leading this charge as it is against the works of darkness this is exactly where David found himself the violent opposition came from within the kingdom of God as it was supposed to be and David instead of trusting in God at this time he started to chart a pathway of his own reasoning he said I'm going to die one day at the hand of I'm just I'm just going to go where things are more positive and I see a lot of

people have left really what is dead religion and they've gone into what they think is positive into what they think is going to bring them to their desired end not knowing it's going to lead them to the wrong side of the battle they go into places where messages are preached that the whole reason you're a Christian is to be more powerful be have a greater destiny to achieve greatness in your life and all of these things the whole truth of the matter is the reason you're a Christian is to follow Christ and take up your cross that all of humanity may come to know there's a God who died for them the reality is there's sometimes suffering in this walk with Christ and sometimes difficult in depravity the reality is that our lives are not our own anymore we're bought with a price we're not

we're not to come to God to ask him to procure some great big destiny goodness sakes man just think for a moment how does this fit the early apostles all died for what they believed John went to prison Paul had a pen in his hand at the end of his days he said don't anybody bother me now don't don't throw your stuff at me about what you think God is I bear in my body the marks of Jesus Christ Paul said on this pathway that David chose he became deceptive and cruel I'm very thankful that history records the truth the Bible records the truth it doesn't it doesn't gloss over now by God's grace we remember him as a sweet psalmist and a great king of Israel and that's a type of the covering that God gives to all of our lives but he became deceptive and cruel because he had to convince this

Philistine king that he was now on his side but you can never fully be on the side of the Philistines because he's anointed of God and called of God he had to convince him that he's fighting against the enemies of this Philistine and fighting against as it is Judah and her allies but in fact he's killing the enemies of Israel as he goes out every day and comes back and the scripture says he had to kill everybody he had to kill women and children because he became cruel he became deceptive in this path and then eventually it led him in a battle into a battle that was a lose-lose situation I really don't know what was in the mind of David and I think only eternity is going to reveal it he's he's marching with a Philistine king into a battle that they're going against Saul and the armies of

Israel now think this one through now even if he rebelled against the Philistine king and fought Saul still would want to kill him it's a lose-lose situation folks there's nothing he can do he's he's in the wrong side of the battle now and it's been quite a journey that has taken him there as I was preparing this message I was thinking of all the divorce courts in our nation where even Christian people now are sitting on opposite

sides of the table fighting against what they should be fighting for having lost faith having charted a course violent opposition of the devil himself came into their home and instead of fighting for what truly typifies the relationship of Christ and his church they're on the opposite side of the battle now fighting against what God says no I'll give you the

victory if you'll trust me I'll take you I'll take you into something supernatural but you've got to trust me for this and here they are on the opposite side of the table now with a plan that they think is going to bring them relief I think of those who fear for their financial future and in spite of God's promises to them they form plans just like David did to cheat people to cheat in business to cheat the government on their income tax and to even cheat God by refusing to tithe and refusing to give to his work and simply the root is fear and they will not deal with the fear so they form a plan see I'm going to perish I'm not going to make it into the future even though God says you bring into the storehouse I'll open you the windows of heaven and not be room enough to contain it God

says now it's the only time in scripture that God says prove me in this prove me in this as to whether or not I'm speaking the truth or not prove me but yet there's so many people who fear for their financial futures and that fear leads them into the Philistine camp folks it leads them to sit under theology that God's only purpose to make you a Christian is to make you rich it are led into the Philistine camp they're on the wrong side of a battle that is for the souls of men and women and children I think of those who fear that their ambitions will not be realized they'll not get that promotion they'll not get to the top of the corporate ladder or whatever the ladder is that you happen to be on so they start playing the game they start laughing at the dirty jokes and the gossip they

become partakers of the gossip in the work environment and they nervously even poke fun at other Christians who are standing for God in their workplace or in their school or in their colleges they're on the wrong side of the battle and I know I'm speaking to somebody here today standing on the wrong side you've been in your school in particular your workplace and their people are laughing at somebody who's standing up for Christ and here you are among them wrong side of the battle you're in a lose-lose situation my friend you're on the wrong side of the battle it's time to get the courage to get back on the right side of the hill again God says if you belong to me I'm going to get you out make no mistake about it if you belong to God God is going to get you out he's going to get you out

chapter 29 of 1 Samuel in verse 3 I'm going to show you exactly you see the patterns of scripture show us how God deals with these situations this is an anointed man of God he's on the wrong side of the battle right now now God's going to get him out I'm going to show you exactly how God's going to get you out and some of you are going to see exactly where you are right now now folks I've been here I've been here one time I somebody handed me some tapes as a young Christian oh and they sounded so good they were so positive they were so easy to understand and they were very alluring because it talked about greatness in such light and I began to just devour these tapes and they said you whatever you want you claim it all sicknesses of the devil and all this stuff and I began to really

swallow this stuff and until my son got burned in the fire and then I found out how much of this stuff is really true when I was beside his bed in the hospital every day and believe all I want to believe his was still burned and was still very very scarred and I was brought into correct thinking by the mercy of God the folks God will bring you back no chastening for the present seems to be joyous but grievous but afterwards it yields a peaceable fruit of righteousness my son who was burned now works with Ron Pierce and Empower for this season just came back from China and Myanmar and Vietnam looking for avenues

to bring Bibles and provision for Christians and he's a man of great courage and I thank God for this what seemed to be a disaster God brought good out of it that's why members

Solomon's riddle out of the eater came forth sweetness well the thing that you think is going to devour you will quite often bring about a strength in you that nothing else will but here's what's going to happen if you're on the wrong side of the battle David is marching with it the king or akish the king of Gath I don't know what he's thinking oh God maybe it's the first time in his heart he's saying God what have I done where am I going I know this is not right how did I get here how did my thinking get so twisted that now I'm like remember David would not even touch Saul as the anointed of God now he's in a he's leading hundreds of men and he's in the rear of a battle I don't know what he was thinking there's a lot of conjecture about it but none of us know for certainty I don't think

David knew I think he was just finally led to a place maybe in his heart it was the first time he'd prayed in a long time so God please if ever you could get me out of something I'd appreciate this and all of a sudden verse three it says then the princes of the philistines said what do these hebrews hear and akish said to the princes of the philistines is this not David the servant of king Saul of Israel which has been with me these days these years and I've found no fault in him since he fell unto me this day then the princes of the philistines were wroth with him and the princes of the philistines said unto him make this fellow return that he may go again to his place which appointed him let him not go down with us into the battle lest in the battle he be an adversary to us and here it

is folks I want to give it to you very easily suddenly your new friends are going to reject you suddenly God will put it in their hearts hey how did you get in here all of a sudden right in the middle of nowhere there might even be one in the crowd that's saying hey well you know he's I know he goes to church but he's been with us you know and he's been faithful to us and when we tell dirty jokes he laughs when we gossip he gossips with us and then somebody will say no no I don't trust him I don't and find all of a sudden all your new friends your new truths your new plans your new opinions your new ideas that you formed in the flesh simply leave you standing and that's exactly what happened with David because these things have no power to take you where Christ is taking you and where

Christ wants you to go God will cause them to leave you standing they will suddenly reject you they brought you only so far and to have you realize that you were never really one of them and there's a moment there's a realization that comes and say God I don't belong here it's it's something that comes into the heart of the truly called and anointed man or woman of God I don't belong here I don't belong sitting listening to this idiocy that calls itself the gospel of Jesus Christ I don't belong here this is a misrepresentation of God this is not what the cross is about this is not what the ministry of Christ is about I'm seeing something in the scriptures I don't belong here I don't want to be here I'm out of here I'm going somewhere where there are people who want to walk with God I'm

going back on the right side of the battle again Jesus said it himself Luke 66 verse 22 he said blessed are ye when men shall hate you and they shall separate you from their company and shall reproach you and cast out your name as evil then he said for the son of man's sake for my name's sake I will put you in a place where they will reject you hallelujah hallelujah to the lamb of God I have a very good friend who's a pastor was is a pastor and was a pastor years ago and he was in a church that preached hyper faith all diseases of the devil everybody's to be prosperous etc etc etc and everything was fine and he's he's traveling up on the ministry circuit he's beginning to have influence in the congregation until he had a mentally challenged son and folks that son of course that child was

a great big embarrassment to the ministry so all of a sudden he's being pushed the other way pushed away off the platform because how do you deal with that when you say that everything is supposed to be just a blessing there's not supposed to be hardship in the and now a pastor has a mentally challenged son and the true spirit behind this now comes out instead of comforting this man they rejected they push his family out of the ministry he came and sat in this congregation for several years broken absolutely broken by the betrayal god got a hold of him he's now pastoring a church that is growing incredibly in our time that we're in right now thanks be to god for this in chapter 30 is david it says at the end of chapter 29 verse 11 david and his men rose up to depart in the morning and

return into the land of the philistines and in chapter 30 he comes back to what was his home in the city and in verses three to four it says david and his men came to the city and behold it was burned with fire their wives and their sons and their daughters were taken captive david and the people that were with him lifted up their voice and wept until they had no power to weep you see david sees the enemy has been given access to the most precious things in his life and he weeps till he can't weep anymore when you're on a wrong pursuit even a wrong perspective of what it means to be a christian the devil will come right in the back door and while you're talking about destiny and greatness the enemy is there devouring your very home right from underneath you and god leads david into a

problem that is so big not even the best of his strength and reason can solve it and this is exactly what god will do in his mercy this is how he gets the people out of captivity he will bring you into a problem that is too big for human reason you cannot solve it in your own strength david has lost his wives he's lost his children oh he's lost his stuff all the men who are following him have lost their stuff and now they even want to kill him they want to stone him on top of everything else as if it's not bad enough he hasn't got a friend seemingly at this point except for one who says i stick closer than a brother and i will never leave you or forsake you and the scripture tells us that david encouraged himself in the lord you see there will be a point when that's all you can do you

just get your encouragement from god you can't trust anything on any side of you you simply go into that prayer closet or get back into this book and say god you've got to speak to me one more time now david had done that in the beginning he would not have gotten in this mess in the first place now the scripture tells us in verse 6 he encouraged himself in the lord and in verse 7 it says david said to abiathar the priest ahimelech son i pray thee bring me the ephod and abiathar brought the ephod to david and now the ephod is the garment that they wore when they're seeking god you see david is now coming back to the point of his departure this is where men depart from god this is how people even god's anointed end up on the wrong side of the battle they stopped seeking him they stopped

asking for his will they stopped looking in the book seeing his promises and claiming all of the promises as their own they stopped searching the scriptures for what the christian life is supposed to be and david now through these calamities has come back to the very place that he left when he started reasoning his pathway before him and he says bring me this garment as it is bring bring me this covering i'm going to seek god again and he begins to pray and here's the good news and he said shall i pursue after this troop now he's lost almost everything now because of what he did his family's a mess everything seems to have gotten away from him because his pursuit of god has been in error and shall overtake them and here's the word of the lord to him pursue for thou shalt surely overtake

them and without fail you will recover all now folks this is my word that feel that god gave me to give you today go after what the enemy has taken from you god says no i don't want you to sit on a log somewhere

nursing your wounds forever i don't want you to join some health self-help group and sit in a circle holding hands hoping for a better day no i want you to pray and i'm going to speak your heart i want you to go into prayer closet you see that's where it's going to be one and i want you to go after what the enemy has taken away i want you to go after it go to the uttermost no matter how far it's gotten away from you it's not gotten away from me the lord says i know where it is i know how to bring back what's been gone when you've made mistakes even christian mistakes the devil

will be there when you when you finally realize what you've done to say well it's too late you've made a mistake now just hang your head and beat yourself now for the rest of your life you're not worthy to do anything you're not even worthy to be called by the name of god you see the devil is a liar he wouldn't even if that were true he wouldn't bother telling you about it it'd be in the word of god that's not what the word of god says god says no you come to me i will give you the power to go after and recover everything that the enemy has taken out of your life hallelujah you see from this point onward a providential leading of god that leads him even to an enemy that's seemingly much stronger than what's in his hand but yet david goes that's where his strength had always been he walks

in with a holy trust and a boldness in his god refusing to take no for an answer because god has spoken to his heart and one more time goes into the cap and just scatters the enemy doesn't lose a son doesn't lose a daughter doesn't lose a thing and spoils the powers of darkness beloved it's time to rise up it's time to rise up as a church the scripture says david recovered all it's time it's time to go back it's time to recover it's time to go back in the scriptures and find out what it means to be a christian it's time to go back lay hold of the promises of god such as paul gave to a philippian jailer believe on the lord jesus christ and you will be saved and your house believe that no weapon formed against you can prosper every tongue that rises against you in judgment you will condemn

it this is the heritage of the servants of god there's a righteousness on you that is given to god that cannot be taken away from you hallelujah to the lamb of god hallelujah i see an end time army rising everywhere i see an end time church standing up i see vision being given to the people of god again i see prison doors opening religious prison doors opening and the captives having sat at the wrong side of the battle coming out again in the glory of almighty god and while all this is going on in chapter 31 god sovereignly removes everything that stood in his way sovereignly david's not even aware necessarily of what's going on on the other side there's a spiritual side to this battle that you don't see with your natural eyes and while he's recovering while he's going back and getting

his sons and daughters while he's believing god for every promise for his family in this book and every promise of god for his future the lord sovereignly removes that which stood in his way sovereignly takes this ministry of the flesh out of the way as it is sovereignly creates a path into the very heart of god and day what david saw as an place that was impossible and one time was impossible now it's sovereignly cleared by the hand of god he is being brought into what god called him to be he was to be the king of israel he was to be a man who brought the ark representing god's presence back into the very center of the heart of god's people again david is moving now in the spirit to what god has called him to do now you say to me today if this is what god does then what's my part in all

of this what is my part i'll give it to you in three words don't give up don't ever give up don't ever quit fighting the fight of faith don't ever give in to the lies of darkness don't ever believe that you're going to be swallowed by anything because nothing can swallow you no power of hell and evil can ever be victorious over the church of jesus christ jesus said i'd build my church on this rock that's christ jesus the gates of

hell will not prevail against it you will not be prevailed against the devil has no right to your home he has no right to your life he has no right to your anointing he has no right to your future he has no right to your provision he has no right to you stand up and fight back get on the right side of the battle and fight back fight back fight back church of

jesus christ fight back in this generation stand up and get in the word again fight back in the closet of prayer hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah it's that simple get in the book get in the prayer closet and fight back fight for your families fight for your homes fight for your future the battle is already won you don't have to win it's won hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah thanks be to god listen i'll just read you what david said i love you lord my strength he's my rock you're my fortress my deliverer my god my strength in whom i trust my buckler the horn of my salvation you're my high tower i'll call upon the lord who's worthy to be praised so i will be saved from mine enemies the sores of death compass me floods of ungodly men made me

afraid the sores of hell compassed me the snares of death prevented me in my distress i called upon the lord i cried to my god and he heard my voice out of his temple and my cry came before him even into his ears then the earth shook and trembled the foundation of the hills moved and were shaken because he was wroth there went up a smoke out of his nostrils fire came out of his mouth and coals were kindled by it he bowed the heavens and came down and put darkness under his feet hallelujah that's how much god wants to fight for you get on the right side of the battle again god wants to fight for you he wants to fight for your family he wants to fight for your future just get on the right side of the battle you don't have to figure it out just read it and believe it and move forward in

faith and let god be god hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah thank you lord thank you god thank you jesus we bless your holy name we praise you we give you glory we give you honor we give praise you're worthy to be praised hallelujah hallelujah conquering king mighty victorious savior hallelujah lamb of god thank you god you're the lion of judah god you're the lion of judah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah thank you lord thank you jesus thank you god bless your holy name we praise you lord we bless your holy name hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah hallelujah thank you god thank you lord thank you lord thank you lord thank you lord jesus we bless your name bring us home god bring us all home bring us all back to the right side oh god thank you lord

god get your church get your church across north america get your church oh god in europe get your church, Lord.

Jesus, thank you, God. Thank you for your strength and power.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah. Thank you, God. Bless God.

We're going to worship for a moment. As we do, I want to give an altar called Annex Main Sanctuary for everybody who wants to get back on the right side of the battle. Your eyes have been opened today and you realize you're fighting on the wrong side, trying to figure it all out in your own strength and it's going nowhere.

Thank God when your friends reject you. Thank God when your ideas let you down. Thank God.

Thank God. Thank God. Thank God.

Thank God. Thank God. It's time to come and just thank God.

Lord, thank you. God, thank you. Thank you, Lord, for having people who are ungodly reject me.

Thank you, God, for making my ideas of the flesh come to nothing. Thank you, God, for destroying my plans, Lord, that are leading me away from the anointing that you want to place on my life. God, thank you for delivering me from false ideas about what it means even to be a Christian.

God, thank you for these things, Lord. Thank you, Father. I'm coming to the right side of the battle.

I'm getting my family back. I'm going after my sons and daughters, my grandchildren. The devil's not getting one of them, not even one of them.

I'm going to get them. God has promised that they are mine. Hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. I'm getting back to the right side of the battle.

Hallelujah. I'm not hanging my head. I'm going to shout and rejoice.

I'm going to cross over into the camp of God. Hallelujah, Lamb of God. Hallelujah, Lamb of God.

Thank you, Lord. Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Jesus.

Thank you, mighty God. Thank you, mighty God. Hallelujah.

Hallelujah. Hear the Holy Spirit speaking to you up in the balcony. You can go to either exit the sanctuary, just slip out.

We're going to pray together, but come believing God. Don't come beating yourself. Come believing God.

Rejoice that he's drawing you back to him again. There's a great, great victory awaits you. Thank you for the simplicity of faith, almighty God.

Thank you, Jesus. Hallelujah. Even if all I have is a stone and a confidence in God, I'd rather be on the right side of the battle than with an army of 600 men on the wrong side.

I'd rather just have a stone and confidence and a little pebble really is all it was, and confidence in God. Hallelujah. Those that are choosing to come on to this side of the battlefield, you're making a very wise choice.

You don't have to figure it out. God does it. And then his name is glorified.

When the victory comes, his name is absolutely glorified through your life. Praise God. And for those who have been rejected in the workplace, you can be thankful.

That means that they've seen something in you. I'd be more afraid if they didn't reject me, and I profess to be a Christian. There's something of God on you that the world hates.

The world, I mean, by that sense, I say men who live in rebellion to God, they hate this anointing. And even if you are mixed in for a season, they will still see it and reject you. That's God's grace on your life.

Hallelujah. Thank you, Lord. Praise God.

Lord, thank you. This has been a great day. Lord, you're bringing many home to the right side of the battle.

We stand by faith and we walk in the will of our God. We know that your will is to see all men and women and children saved, that not one should be lost. God, thank you for bringing us to the right side of the battle.

Be very merciful, Lord, to your church around the world. I pray God, help your church, help the pastors in this generation. Help those that have gone into the flesh and are trying to live by men's reasoning, trying to advance a kingdom they can't even see.

Help us all. Help every pastor to realize the error of this. Help every man and woman of God to come back to the simplicity of faith and the mission of Christ.

Lord, you're going to do this for your name's sake, and we yield to it. We thank you for it with all of our hearts. We give you all the praise and all the glory.

Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Bless God.

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