

Princes Fighting against Us

Scripture reading: Ephesians 6:12

When you look at Ephesians 6:12, you will see the word “*principality*.” This word is made out of two words: “*princi*,” which means “*prince*,” and “*pality*,” which means “*kingdom*.” The people who fight with the prince are his “*pality*,” the spirits also that go along with him are his “*pality*.” So when a prince comes to you, he has strength behind him. He has his whole “*pality*” behind him! A rulership!

So then, these princes are going to come against you, against the church. You need to understand that in this hour many princes are fighting against us. You can look at some churches and see that they are completely taken over by a prince that rules them. You can tell by certain things that rule in their midst. Amen! Then you look at another church and see another prince ruling. Some churches are ruled by a “*carnal*” spirit (see 1 Corinthians 3:3), and the carnal spirit just takes everybody. Once you become a member of that church, you come under the influence. Why? It is because when a person ministers to you, he ministers to you himself. He ministers to you what is of him. The Spirit of God coming through him is like water pouring through a pipe that has some dye in it; the water comes out colored with the dye. This is one of the reasons you should not give your children to the world to teach them, because every time they go to a carnal teacher, they receive not only mathematics, but also carnality. Whatever belongs to the person, whatever is wrong with the person, the child receives it. I have known homosexual teachers that have taught children, and the children came out to be homosexuals without the teacher telling them to be homosexuals—because it is a spirit!

We are ministering on a different plane from the natural. Jesus said, “...*the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are LIFE*” (John 6:63). Some words that people speak, they are spirit and they are DEATH! I do not know if someone has ever spoken a word to you that strikes you so hard that it brings sadness, pain, or anger to you. Now, you have to be able to resist that! Somebody should be able to tell you the worst thing in the world and it does not hit you inside because you have a guard up in the spirit. Amen! If you knew why the person was coming against you, then you would say, “Oh, I know what it is! It is a spirit! I can see the spirit.” Look in his eyes while he is speaking, and you will see the spirit. Yes! Sometimes he tries to disguise it and cover up, but look and see the spirit coming through him at you! That spirit wants to hurt you. And you get hurt and say, “Oh boy, I will NEVER do that again! I will have nothing more to do with this fellow!” Guess what? That is what the spirit ministered to you! You are doing just what that spirit wanted you to do.

Somebody comes and says, “You are a dog!” You know that you are not a dog, therefore you should turn it back and say, “God, have mercy upon him. He called me a dog. That means he is speaking from another spirit.”

Once I was in a service. A sister got up, and said, “Stand, Brother duCille!” I stood up and she said to everybody, “This man is living in adultery!” I said, “Praise God! I am clean!” Amen! The idea is, I did not have it against the sister. I love her dearly. But another spirit had taken hold of her and God allowed her to come against me because He knew I could help her. The moment I rebuked the spirit, she got deliverance. But I did not get up and say, “Oh, you are a liar, you so and so!” That is stupid! That is exactly what the spirit wants you to do! The sister is not the liar. She is just weak and has been taken over by another spirit; and all you have to do is to quietly come against the spirit and save the person out of this principality.

“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” (Ephesians 6:12).

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Thought for today: Let us choose to fight against princes and their palities not only for our own lives but also for the lives of our brethren.