**FACING TEMPTATION**

**BATTLE #1:** Me VS. GOD

I’m commanded to surrender

**BATTLE #2:** God & me VS. Satan & my flesh. I’m commanded to take up my armor & fight.

TEMPTATION: My Flesh & Satan



When we strive for holiness we are met with resistance. Both our own flesh, and the enemy; satan attack us. It’s a battle. We pursue to be like Jesus, but we discover that we have an enemy from within (our flesh), and from the outside that tempts us to pursue sin. How do we face these 2 enemies and how do we win the Battle for Holiness?

1. **Understand your enemies:** My Flesh and Satan
2. **Put your game face (war paint) on!**
* Have Faith in the Lord, not fear of satan.
* *I John 4:4 …*[*greater*](http://www.biblestudytools.com/interlinear-bible/strongs.ashx?ll=g&t=nas&sn=3173)*is He who is in you*[*than*](http://www.biblestudytools.com/interlinear-bible/strongs.ashx?ll=g&t=nas&sn=2228)*he who is in the*[*world*](http://www.biblestudytools.com/interlinear-bible/strongs.ashx?ll=g&t=nas&sn=2889).

3.  **The best offense is a great defense.**

* *James 4:7 Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.*

4. **Put HIS armor on.** With it you are invincible, without it you are a certain casualty.

**Ephesians 6:10-18**

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. 11 **Put on** the full armor of God, so that you will be able to **stand firm** against the schemes of the devil. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore, **take up** the full armor of God, so that you will be able to **resist** in the evil day, and having done everything, to **stand firm**.

14 **Stand firm** therefore, having **girded** your loins with truth

and having **put on** the breastplate of righteousness,

15 and having **shod** your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16 in addition to all, **taking up** the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

17 And **take** THE HELMET OF SALVATION,

and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18 With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, **be on the alert** with all perseverance and petition for all the saints.