PART 1…

Three examples instructive of trusting the Lord in battle:

Moses taught of God Deu 20:1-4 ;***the LORD your God is he that goeth with you***; “war” Psa 144:1;Exo 14:14

David vs Goliath 1Sa 17:33-50; ***for the battle is the LORD'S***

 Overcomers Rev 2:17, 25; 3:5, 12, 21

 Heb 13:21 Make you perfect/ working in you /through Jesus Christ

 Also: Eph 6:10; Rom 7:24,25; Eph 3:16; Psa 27:1

 A different “war” & different “soldier”: Cor 10:3; Jas 4:1,2; 1 Pe 2:11; Luke 3:14

 Heavenly strength: Php 4:13

Jehoshaphat 2Ch 20:1-37 ***for the battle is not yours, but God's***. …

Looking to be lead of God Psa 25:4 KJV Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach me thy paths.

 Need humble heart…Jas 4:10 Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up.

 Different weapons 2Co 10:4 (for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh…

 God works in is to gain us victory Psa 26:2 KJV … prove me; try my reins and my heart.

Our given wepon Luk 4:10 For it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee

 The Lord’s arsenal 1Sa 7:10-12 and … Hitherto hath the LORD helped us. 1Sa 23:2,4 Shall I go …?

Weapon rests in him Joh 15:5 …for without me ye can do nothing.

Psa 37:7 KJV Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him…

 Who gives us the victories…?1Co 15:57 But thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory …

 Guarding our hearts Php 4:7 ASV And the peace of *God*… shall guard your hearts …

Heb 11:6; 1Co 15:57; 2Sa 23:10 …the LORD wrought a great victory that day

 What the battle is: 1Pe 2:11; Pro 16:32; Psa 141:3 Pro 4:23

PART 2…

In the second part of our lesson today, we would like to focus on the tools we’ve been granted to combat the fallen flesh, world and adversary. In fact, we would like to break it down to its finest tool: love.

2Co 4:18 ; Heb 10:38-39; 1Pe 5:6; Psa 143:10 Joh 3:16; Rom 13:10; Joh 15:12; Php 1:9; 1Pe 4:8; Jud 21

good soldiers under Jesus Christ our Captain of our salvation Eph 5:15-16; Heb 12:3-6; 1Pe 5:8-10; Gal 5:15-26; 2Ti 2:3; Eph 6:11-18

Conclusion

When David had proclaimed that his victory was really the Lord’s certain victory,

When Moses retold the victory that came to his people because God was there to guide and overrule

When Jehoshaphat learned the battle was not his but God’s

What We Should Do is set by certain heavenly principles [here are 7 of them - there are more];

1.Joh 15:21 KJV But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. [Live every day to glorify God, live every day as a reflection of His grace working in us]

2.2Co 1:5 EMTV Because just as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also abounds through Christ. [Recognize our lessons from the Lord are centered in learning just how truly compassionate He is, then emulating that]

3.Joh 14:24 EMTV He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine but the Father's who sent Me. [if you love him you DO keep His Words… which means you are very much in the know about his will] see also Deut 7:9 ASV

4.Joh 15:14 KJV Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. [don’t do what I wouldn’t command or delight you to do]

5.Gal 6:7-8 KJV Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. 8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. [so do things for the new mind, don’t be feeding the mind of the flesh, DON’T DO IT!]

6.Gal 5:1 KJV Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. [are we creeping back? Are we getting lazy? Losing our prayer path, our enthusiasm, exuberance? What if you write to a brother a couple or few times and you get no response? Write again or call him or write someone else. Ask around and find out who is trialed, lonely, or who can energize you more in this way?]

7.1Co 8:9 KJV But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak. [we are to be comforters in this Way, not brow-beaters, critics, and bemoaners. Be wise by encouraging in humble ways]

So brethren, our part in the Lord’s Battle is to be holy in all manner of godliness and conversation…

1Pe 1:16 KJV Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

Col 3:15 KJV And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.