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**SERIES: THE INVISIBLE WAR
Part 1: Are Demons Real?**

2 Corinthians 2:11 “For we are not unaware of his schemes.”

Mark 5:9 “Jesus asked him ‘What is your name?’ “My name is Legion, for we are many.”

John 10:10, “The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.”

5 primary realities

Reality #1: We Are At War!

1 Peter 5:8-9 “Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith...”

Ephesians 6:10-12 “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.”

Reality #2: Jesus Christ Has Won!

Colossians 2:15 “And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross!”

Romans 16:20 “The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.”

Colossians 1:13 “For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves...”

Matthew 28:18, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.”

Reality #3: The Battle Still Rages!

Reality #4: We are in Training!

Psalms 144:1, “Praise be to the LORD my Rock, who trains my hands for war, my fingers for battle.”

Reality #5: We have Authority!

Luke 10:19, “I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.”

Ephesians 1:20-21 [God] seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.

Ephesians 2:1-2 “As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.”

VV. 4-6: “But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions-it is by grace you have been saved. And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus...”