

PROCLAIM THE WORD!

LESSON 16 – OUTLINE

- I. Paul is a great example of true spiritual warfare.
 - A. In Acts 19, the apostle ministered in the city of Ephesus.
 - B. Scripture never records Paul ever leading the believers to gather together to intercede, do spiritual warfare, and rebuke the demonic principalities over the city.
 - C. Through boldly preaching the Gospel, Paul broke the power of Diana and saw multitudes in the city receive the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - D. That's the scriptural method: Preach God's Word.

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2 TIMOTHY 3:16-4:2, EMPHASIS MINE

- E. Paul told people the truth, got them saved and set free, and discipled them to go out and do the same.
- II. As individuals, families, and communities come out of deception, demonic powers are weakened and broken.
 - A. You don't get rid of demonic powers by going into the heavenlies and doing battle directly with them.
 - B. Preach the truth instead.
 - C. As these people understand and believe that God loves them, they will be set free.
 - D. Then they will resist those devils with the truth, and the entire climate over the city or country will change.
- III. Ezekiel prophesied that every individual would answer for their own sin—and no one else's—under the New Covenant.

What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge? [i.e., "generational curse"] [3] As I live, saith the Lord God, ye shall not have occasion any more to use this

proverb in Israel. [4] *Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth, it shall die.*

EZEKIEL 18:2-4, BRACKETS AND EMPHASIS MINE

- A. God doesn't judge children for the sins of their parents today (Ezek. 18:20).
- B. A man stands before God on his own.
- C. If he can understand and believe the truth that Jesus Christ dealt with all sin once and for all at the cross, forgiveness would set him free.
- D. Deception is what keeps us in bondage, and the truth is what sets us free.
- E. You can't solve the problem just by doing "spiritual warfare" and binding demons; you must get God's Word into the people.

IV. Andrew is doing everything he can to get the Word out.

- A. He is am teaching God's Word on television and radio in America, Europe, and around the world.
- B. His ministry distributes thousands of teaching materials (i.e., audio messages, articles, and Bible commentary) each year.
- C. Many are available free online.
- D. He also supports many international Christian workers who are boldly preaching the Gospel.
- E. This should be the approach of the entire church.

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LESSON 16 – DISCIPLESHIP QUESTIONS

1. According to 2 Timothy 3:16–4:2, what is given by inspiration of God?
2. What is it profitable for?
 - A. Doctrine
 - B. Reproof
 - C. Correction
 - D. Instruction in righteousness
 - E. All of the above
 - F. None of the above
3. That who may be perfect?
4. *“Throughly furnished”* unto what?
5. Who shall judge the quick—i.e., the living—and the dead?
6. When shall Jesus do this?
7. What should we preach?
8. When should we be ready to do this?
9. What should we do with all long-suffering and doctrine?
 - A. Reprove
 - B. Condemn
 - C. Exhort
 - D. Both A. and B.
 - E. Both A. and C.
10. According to Ezekiel 18:2-4, who was this proverb used concerning?
11. What have the fathers eaten?
12. Whose teeth are set on edge?
13. Who said they would not have occasion to use this proverb any more in Israel?
14. All souls are whose?
15. What shall happen to the soul that sins?
16. According to Ezekiel 18:20, who shall die?
17. What shall the son not bear?

18. What shall the father not bear?
19. What shall be upon the righteous?
20. What shall be upon the wicked?

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LESSON 16 – SCRIPTURES

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EZEKIEL 18:20

The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.