#### **Prayer in Spiritual Warfare**

#### Ephesians 6:18-20



## The Armor of Spiritual Warfare

- What you wear at all times
  - The Girdle of Truth
  - The Breastplate of Righteousness
  - The sandals of the Gospel of Peace
- What you take up before battle
  - The Shield of Faith
  - The Helmet of Salvation



## The Weapons of Spiritual Warfare

- The Sword of the Spirit, Which is the Word of God
  - The instruction manual of warfare
  - The weapon of defense and offense
- Prayer
  - The call for backup
  - The humble recognition for the need of help

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- In Prayer we obtain the strength of His Might. Ephesians 6:10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor....
- We pray at all times, because the war is constant and battles may strike at any moment.
- We use every form of prayer: adoration, confession, intercession, thanksgiving, etc.
- We implore God with specific requests (petition) for our battles.

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Prayer Keeps us alert of the Warfare and Battles.

- It keeps us alert cracks in the armor.
- •It keeps us alert of Satan's darts

•Prayer is the means of putting the armor on and keeping it on (perseverance).

•Through prayer the Spirit informs us when we need to put on the helmet, take up the Shield of Faith and the Sword for Battle.

### Who Do We Pray For?

## Pray for Everyone in Spiritual Warfare!

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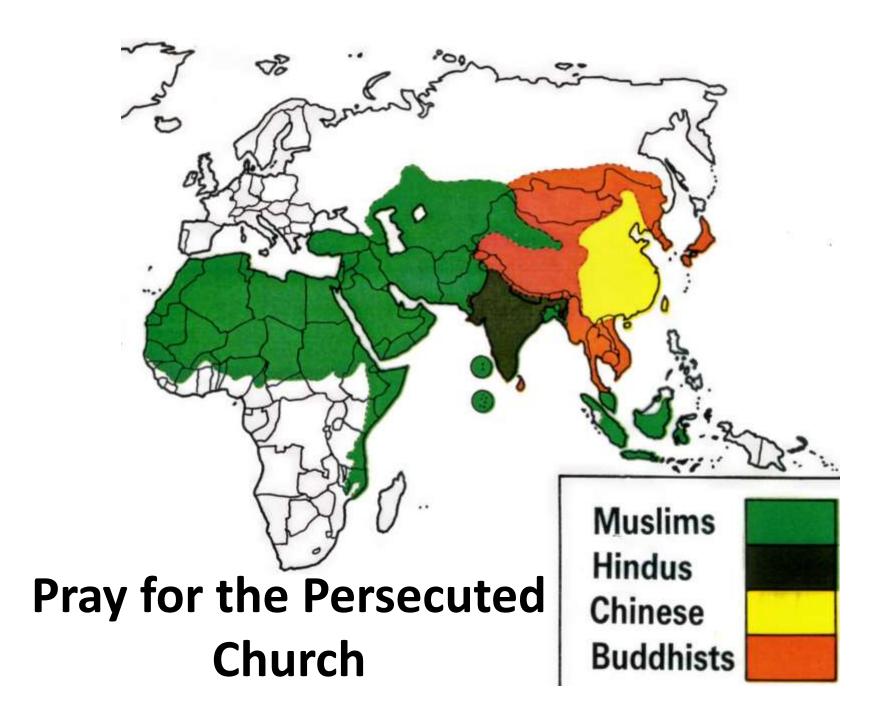
### Who is in Spiritual Warfare?

Pray for yourself Pray for your family Pray for your Church Family Pray for believers throughout your Community Pray for believers in Leadership (Federal and Local government) Pray for believers in the military Pray for believers in the media Pray for believers in the media

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Pray for me Pray for the evangelist Pray for Pastors Pray for Missionaries Pray for those preaching in lands where Christians are a minority



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Pray for them to be girdled in truth Pray they wear the breastplate of righteousness Pray they wear the sandals of the gospel of peace Pray they put on the helmet of salvation and take up the shield of faith.

But, pray especially that they boldly take up the Sword of the Spirit which is the Word of God.

Our Greatest Spiritual Weapon Is Prayer