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2 Corinthians 12:7-10

- 7. Because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, for this reason, to keep me from exalting myself, there was given me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me—to keep me from exalting myself!
- 8. Concerning this I implored the Lord three times that it might leave me.
- 9. And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.
- 17 10. Therefore I am well content with weaknesses, with insults, with distresses, with persecutions, with difficulties, for Christ's sake; for when I am weak, then I am strong.

Romans 8:38-39

- 38. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,
- 39. nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Ephesians 1:18-23

- 18. *I pray that* the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,
- 19. and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. *These are* in accordance with the working of the strength of His might
- 20. which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly *places*,
- 21. far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.
- 18 22. And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the
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23. which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

2 Corinthians 10:3-6

- 3. For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh,
- 4. for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.
- 5. *We are* destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and *we are* taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,
- 6. and we are ready to punish all disobedience, whenever your obedience is complete.

Ephesians 6:10-18 10. 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 Υ having done everything, to stand firm. 18 14. Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE & BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, 19 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, 2 Thessalonians 3:3 But the Lord is faithful, and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one. <u>James 4:7-8a</u> 7. Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. 8. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. ... 1 Pet 5:8-9a 8. Be of sober *spirit*, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9. But resist him, firm in your faith, ... Ephesians 4:25-28a 25. Therefore, laying aside falsehood, SPEAK TRUTH EACH ONE of you WITH HIS NEIGHBOR, for we are 20 members of one another. 26. BE ANGRY, AND yet DO NOT SIN; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27. and do not give the devil an opportunity. 28. He who steals must steal no longer; ... 2 Corinthians 2:10-11 10. But one whom you forgive anything, I forgive also; for indeed what I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, I did it for your sakes in the presence of Christ, 11. so that no advantage would be taken of us by Satan, for we are not ignorant of his schemes. 1 Timothy 6:12a

Fight the good fight of faith; ...