

*"For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds; Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled." 2 Corinthians 10:3-6 KJV*



I like what Elisabeth Elliot wrote: "Spiritual strongholds begin with a thought. One thought becomes a consideration. A consideration develops into an attitude, which leads then to action. Action repeated becomes a habit, and a habit establishes a 'power base for the enemy,' that is, a stronghold." The weapons of the believer are more powerful than an atomic bomb, because they are "*mighty through God!*" I need not fear any man or any threat as long as I walk by faith, obeying God's Word: It, in my thoughts, is the "power base" which enables my protection from the "*strongholds*" of evil! Truth is the Sword of The Holy Spirit and I must become skillful with its use through constant practice. "*Take the Helmet of Salvation, and the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God: Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the Word of Truth.*" I do not fear your gun or your knife and least of all your threats. My Father and His omnipotent Word are my protector and strength, and like Daniel in the lion's den or the three Hebrew children when the king threatened them with the fiery furnace: "*If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and He will deliver us out of thine hand. But if not, be it known unto thee...we will not serve thy gods!*" I do not fear death for it releases my soul to glorious eternal life and liberty! It will free me forever from all evil and pain! I need but speak to Father and trust His infinite power and wisdom, for I "*know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.*" Believers need not fear the mightiest king nor the deadliest villain, because "*If God be for us, who can be against us?*" God is the only person worthy of our fear, because "*the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. Fear NOT them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear HIM which is able to destroy BOTH soul and body in Hell.*" Satan deludes disobedient believers from using the power of prayer through the chaos and hassle of everyday living. He has convinced them to live beyond their means, trusting their job and credit score more than God! I do not fear identity thieves for God provides my every need, not my credit rating! All I need to do is ask. "*Give us this day our daily bread.*" When tomorrow comes, if it does, I'll ask again. I need not hoard anything, but I do need to multiply my faith by using it for every need. Faith accesses Father's infinite wealth. Why would I use mine? Be ever ready to unflinchingly slice away deceit and lies with the Sword of Truth. When God says "*every*" and "*all,*" He means it!

No foe withstands the Sword of Truth,  
No matter threat or deed uncouth,  
The Mighty God defends His own,  
And they will never stand alone! ~CGP

Dear Believer, why don't you just start praying and trusting, no matter the threat or loss? God will supply "*all*" your needs, He promised. Your very life is kept by God. "*Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. For...your life is hid with Christ in God.*" You can't lose! So go ahead, give it a try!

*"He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us ALL THINGS?" Romans 8:32 KJV*