# Eagle Forum Prayer Letter January 2023

# **Bible Versus**

**Ephesians 6:12** "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers,



against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places."

**Isaiah 14:12** – "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations!"

**2 Corinthians 4:4** – Satan is "... the god of this age ..."

John 12:31 - "... the ruler of this world will be cast out."

**John 8:44** – "You are of your father the devil ... He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it."

1 John 3:8 – "He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose, the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil"
2 Corinthians 11:14 – "And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light"

# **Commentary – Who is Satan**

The bible describes Satan in Ezekiel 28:14-15 "You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you." Isaiah 14:12 "How you are fallen from heaven O Lucifer, son of the morning!" The Bible uses the phrase, "Son of the morning" when referring to both Satan and Jesus Christ, which should tell us how magnificent, powerful, and beautiful Satan must have been. Revelation 12:4 tells us a third of the angels in heaven chose to follow Satan instead of God.

The word Satan means adversary because he opposes everything God has made and done. In Isaiah 14:13-14 Satan says, "I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will sit on the mount of the congregation ... I will be like the Most High. One of God's characteristics is free choice and for man to be created in God's image he also had to be given free choice; the freedom to rebel and oppose God and the freedom to love and adore Him. Isaiah 55:8-9 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways." Says the LORD. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts." God created Satan and uses all his lies, deceit, death, and destruction to accomplish his overall plan for all of humanity and for all eternity. He uses Satan to refine, sanctify and mold his people into women and men who freely love and obey Him and put their faith, hope, and trust in Him. When we take our eyes off God's plan which is to save, sanctify and refine us and focus on worldly plans instead we are in dangerous water Ephesians 2:2 tells us Satan is "...

the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience," Satan is a powerful adversary and can only be overcome and defeated with God's power in us.

# **God versus Satan**

God Satan

Eternal – no beginning or end	Created
Omnipotent – all powerful	Limited to what God allows him to do
Omniscient – all knowing	Limited knowledge and understanding
Omnipresent – ever present	Confined by space and time
Character - Love, mercy, grace, righteousness, faithful, patient, kind, just, gentle, creator	Character - Proud, deceitful, liar, murderer, thief, destroyer
Holy Trinity – God the Father, Jesus the Son, and Holy Spirit	Demonic Trinity – Satan, Antichrist, False Prophet
Our advocate	Our adversary
Our future with God – eternal priest, kings, rulers, brides of Christ, no pain suffering, or tears	Future with Satan – eternal damnation, gnashing of teeth, tormented day, and night
Final outcome - Already victorious	Final outcome - Already defeated

# **Prayer Ideas**

- 1. The church is God's earthly instrument to counter evil in this world. Pray that the church would come out of its cocoon and take its rightful position in fighting evil and turning the hearts and minds of the people back to God.
- 2. Pray that we would recognize and internalize we are in a spiritual war. That we would seek to understand the enemy, his strategies, plans, strengths, and weakness and prepare ourselves for spiritual warfare by putting on the full amor of God
- 3. Pray that God would raise up faithful warriors to engage in this battle of good versus evil.
- 4. Pray that God would raise up pastors willing to speak truth and engage their congregations against the evil taking hold of our nation.
- 5. Pray that we as a nation would create a godly, loving, nurturing society and culture so our children and grandchildren can grow up knowing and loving God instead of the secular world controlled by satanic forces.
- 6. Pray that more prayer warriors would rise and join the Eagle Forum prayer team and that we would have a Godly impact in our communities, Texas, the USA, and the world.
- 7. Pray for a great revival to break out first in our hearts, then Montgomery County, Texas, the USA, and the world.

# **MCEF 2023 Prayer Team Notice**

The MCEF prayer team will focus on spiritual warfare in the 2023 calendar year. It is essential that we take to heart what the Bible tells us in Ephesians 6:12 "For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places". Our focuses for 2023 will be to understand our enemy, his capabilities, strategies, and tactics and how to use the power of God and the Holy Spirit to confront and defeat the forces of wickedness. Below is the outline of proposed monthly prayer topic.

## January 2023

• Who is Satan –John 8:44, 2 Corinthians 11:14, 1 John 3:8, Ezekiel 28:12-14, Isaiah 14:12-15, 1 John 5:19, Matthew 4:8-9, John 14:30

## February 2023

Angels and Demons – Daniel 10:13, Daniel 10:20-21, 2 Corinthians 11:3

#### **March 2023**

Understand the enemy's strategies – 2 Corinthians 11:14, 2 Corinthians 11:3

#### **April 2023**

• Principalities, powers & government – Ephesians 6:12, John 14:30, Daniel 10:13, Isaiah 24:21, Daniel 10:20 – 11:1, Colossians 1:16, 1 Peter 2:13-14, Romans 13:1

# May 2023

Prepare for spiritual battle – Ephesians 6:13-18, 1 John 4:4, Zechariah 4:6, Isaiah 54:17

#### June 2023

• Recognize & resist evil – John 8:31-32, James 4:17, Romans 1:21-31, 2 Chronicles 7:14, James 4:7, 1 Peter 5:8-9, Galatians 5:16, 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

## July 2023

• Don't be afraid - Deuteronomy 31:6, Psalm 23:4, 2 Timothy 1:7, Isaiah 41:8-10

#### August 2023

Obey God – 2 John 1:6, Deuteronomy 5:33, John 14:23, 1 Kings 3:3, Luke 6:27-28

# September 2023

• Love always – Romans 8:13-10, Matthew 22:36-40, Luke 6:35-36, 1 John 4:8

#### October 2023

• Great biblical victories – 2 Kings 19:35, Exodus 11:1-10, Judges 7:1-22, Judges 16: 27-30