

THE BATTLE WITHIN US

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WORSHIP

Joy, Awesome God, God is Able, His Mercy is More, Broken Vessels

WELCOME

Name a show or story where the main character has a secret identity. In what ways can you relate with the character?

WEEKLY PRAYER POINTS

I. Thanksgiving

- Worship God for who He is, what He has done, and what He will do in our lives

II. Country and the World

- Upright and moral governance of public servants; repentance and salvation for government leaders and citizens for a Christ-centered Philippines.
- For the Russian invasion of Ukraine to end; peace and order be restored, lives spared. Russian and Ukrainian soldiers, families, leaders to turn to Christ; refugees be given safe passage into surrounding nations.

III. Church

- That CCF Members would honor and love God and make disciples
- Elders, Pastors, Leaders, and Families
- Ministries and Churches worldwide

IV. CCF Facilities

- Worship and Training Center
- Prayer Mountain

V. Personal Concerns

- Deeper intimate relationship with God
- Righteous living
- Salvation of family and friends

WORD

READ IT!

ROMANS 7:14-25

¹⁴ For we know that the Law is spiritual, but I am of flesh, sold into bondage to sin. ¹⁵ For what I am doing, I do not understand; for I am not practicing what I would like to do, but I am doing the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ But if I do the very thing I do not want to do, I agree with the Law, confessing that the Law is good. ¹⁷ So now, no longer am I the one doing it, but sin which dwells in me. ¹⁸ For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh; for the willing is present in me, but the doing of the good is not. ¹⁹ For the good that I want, I do not do, but I practice the very evil that I do not want. ²⁰ But if I am doing the very thing I do not want, I am no longer the one doing it, but sin which dwells in me. ²¹ I find then the principle that evil is present in me, the one who wants to do good. ²² For I joyfully concur with the law of God in the inner man, ²³ but I see a different law in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin which is in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will set me free from the body of this death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, on the one hand I myself with my mind am serving the law of God, but on the other, with my flesh the law of sin.

PARAPHRASE IT!

Restate the verses in your own words.

TALK ABOUT IT!

- What did you like about these verses?
- What did you learn about God?
- What did you learn about people?
- What did you learn about the battle within us?
- What did you learn about following Jesus?

POINT IT OUT!

1. THE BATTLE WITHIN US IS REAL

(Romans 7:14-20; Galatians 5:17; Philippians 2:12)

2. THE BATTLE WITHIN REVEALS WHO WE ARE

(Romans 7:21-23)

3. THE BATTLE WITHIN RUNS US TO CHRIST

(Romans 7:24-25a; Philippians 2:12-13; John 3:16; Galatians 5:16)

WORKS

APPLY IT!

Based on this lesson on "THE BATTLE WITHIN", write down your action point to apply what you learned. Make it your "I will..." statement and follow the S.M.A.R.T. guideline to come up with a do-able action point.

- Simple
- Measurable
- Appropriate
- Realistic
- Time-bound

"I will _____

SHARE IT!

Who will you share these truths to this week?

PRAY CARE SHARE IN ACTION

Pray for people to encounter Jesus Christ and find hope and healing in Him. Pray that they will have open hearts to accept Him as their Savior and Lord. Through Christ, be a good testimony of God's transformative power over the "old nature" as you serve other people with joy and humility. Share the message of the gospel of Jesus Christ to your loved ones.

MEMORY VERSE

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