## PARTICIPANT'S GUIDE COURSE NINE

# BEGINNING WITH SPIRITUAL WARFARE

#### How to Use This Guide

This self-study guide is a companion document to the video course "Beginning with Spiritual Warfare" This guide will help you to gain deeper insight into warfare in the spirit. In this class you will learn that there are two main ways that we war in the spirit. One way is with ourselves when our spirit fights against our other parts such as the mind, body, heart and soul and the second way is when we are at war with spiritual forces in the heavenly realms. This course will give a simple solution to fighting this war and demonstrates how you can win.

Each Glory to Glory Study guide is organized around five areas of learning:

- 1. **Synopsis of Key Learning -** The synopsis will provide summaries of key points from the video that are important for you to understand and serve as foundational knowledge for the next course in the learning series.
- 2. **Important Vocabulary and Concepts** This study guide will provide explanation of important words or ideas that are critical to understanding biblical truth.
- 3. **Deeper Learning** The more you know and understand about who God is and how He works, the deeper in love you fall. God wants to have a deep and abiding relationship with you. He desires for you to know Him. This section of guide will give you additional insights into the teaching from the video for you to study on your own. If you have questions, there will be mentoring moments in the online school for you to get your questions answered.
- 4. Life Application God calls for us to not just be a hearer of His word, but a doer also. (James 1:22). This means that God expects for us to apply what we learn about Him in our everyday lives. This section of the study is to help you think about the ways to apply what you learn from the course to your everyday life.
- 5. **Memory Scriptures** Scriptures that support key concepts in the course will be highlighted. We encourage you to memorize these scriptures by meditating on them until they are hidden in your heart. When you hide God's word in your heart, it makes it hard for the enemy to deceive you. In this way, you are less likely to sin against God. (Psalm 119:11)

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## **Introduction to Course Nine**

Did you know that we are in a spiritual war? Yes! We are and we can see it daily as we have our own internal battles and struggles as well as conflict that we face with others in our daily lives. The bible tells us that the war we are fighting is not really with others but with other spiritual forces in the heavenly realms (Ephesians 6:13). While we are not able to see these forces we can fight and win against them when we follow simple steps that God has outlined to us in His word.

Beginning with Spiritual Warfare	
Synopsis	In the "Beginning with Spiritual Warfare" video course we learn that our regenerated spirit is at war with our other parts. We learned about these parts as the make up of man in the <u>Key to Spiritual Growth and</u> <u>Fruitfulness</u> class. The parts of us that are the mind, body, soul and heart and sometimes at war with our spirit. This internal war is a type of spiritual warfare that will greatly improve as we start the regeneration process of our mind, body, soul and heart by taking a very simple step of repentance. Paul outlined in Romans 7:7-25 what this war looks like with the internal struggles which tells us that this is something we all go through. By leaning on Jesus Christ, and through the help of the Holy Spirit we have the ability to overcome these battles that we may face on a daily basis.
	We also learned that there is another war that is being waged in the heavenly realms with spiritual beings. These beings have the ability to influence our decisions and the decisions of others. When we get into conflict with others, the bible tells us that we are not actually fighting them but these spiritual powers who are influencing their behavior (Ephesians 6:13)
	How we overcome this is by realizing that it is by the finished work of Jesus dying on the cross, the power of the Holy Spirit and living a repentant life that keeps us out of the path of sin and the enemy's territory.
	In other classes we will go more in-depth with other spiritual warfare techniques. But for now, simply repenting will get us much further along in winning the spiritual war.

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Key Vocabulary/ Concepts	<ul> <li>Sin (definition) – from the Greek Hamartía (a feminine noun derived from 1 /A "not" and 3313 /méros, "a part, share of") – properly, no-share ("no part of"); loss (forfeiture) because not hitting the target, sin (missing the mark).</li> <li>equivalent to τό ἁμαρτάνειν a sinning, whether it occurs by omission or commission, in thought and feeling or in speech and action</li> <li>Repentance (definition) from the Greek metanoéō (from 3326 /metá, "changed after being with" and 3539 /noiéō, "think") – properly, "think differently after," "after a change of mind"; to repent (literally, "think differently afterwards").</li> </ul>
Deeper	What is true repentance?
Learning	It is a turning away from sin. It is possible for us to say that we are sorry and not be repentant. We can be sorry that we got caught doing something wrong and still try to continue doing it without getting caught. True repentance means that we completely change our mind about that behavior or thought and decide to make another choice.
	We make a 180 degree turn away from the thought and/or action to doing what God says is the right thing to do according to His word.
	There are sins of omission which is something that we should've done that we did not do and then there are sins of commission which are things that we do that we should not have done.
	When we sit before the Lord and ask Him to reveal these to us, He will reveal them. This is not to condemn us because we know that we are saved, but it is to convict our hearts of these deeds and thoughts that are wrong and lovingly bring us back into a right relationship with Him. Remember that you are safe with Jesus Christ so you don't need to be afraid to repent for what is wrong. He loves you unconditionally.
Life Application	<b>God saves us in Spiritual Warfare (Isaiah 30:15)</b> - "For this is what the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel, has said: "In repentance and rest you will be saved, In quietness and trust is your strength."
Memory Scriptures	Romans 8:1 "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."



#### Prayer

Father God,

You are so loving and kind and just. I thank You that You will never reject me. You never condemn me for repenting of my sins but You convict so that You can restore wholeness to our relationship. Jesus, I thank You that there is no sin so bad that Your blood won't wash it away. The stain of my sin is removed upon repentance and I praise you for it. I thank You that in coming to You in honesty and truth You can set my feet in the right direction and I can be saved from any and all attacks that are coming after me. I thank You that today I have a clean slate with You as I repent of the sins of commission and the sins of omission and all of the other sins that You are now bringing to my mind. I repent for (list out whatever He brings to mind) and I pray by the power of your Holy Spirit that you will help me never to walk in this path again. I pray You reveal to me if there is anyone I need to ask for forgiveness or if there is any other steps You need me to take to make this right. I praise You for the angels that You will send to help me along this journey, in Jesus name.

Amen.