

Sermon Notes: Spiritual Warfare 4

Luke 1:34-38

1 Corinthians 2:9-14

Ephesians 6:14-18

How shall these things be?

- **Luke 1:34-38**
- No matter the opposing facts, all you need is to believe the Word of God.
- Believe that you receive, **Mark 11:24**
- It doesn't depend on facts, it only depends on the power of the Spirit
- You don't need a sign when you already have the spoken Word
- Unbelief looks for signs; faith looks for performance of the Word

What is the function of the sword?

- Mobile (versatile) attacking weapon
- Used to strike and destroy
- Used to advance against the enemy
- You are not called to a sword fight!
- Instead you resist the fiery darts of the devil (thoughts and feelings) by holding up your shield of faith
- The temptations of Jesus as example
- You resist by using what is written!
- The sword is for advancing
- You can't destroy Satan but you can put him to flight and destroy his works

What is the spiritual sword of a believer?

- **The sword is the Spirit and the Spirit is the Rhema of God**
- The sword is not just your Bible - it is the Spirit-activated Word of God
- The written Word works within you to establish you in truth, righteousness, love, faith and hope, 2 Timothy 3:16
- The Logos (the written Word) is divine knowledge for your transformation and protection, **Hosea 4:6**
- Jesus is the Logos, **John 1:1**
- The Spirit is the Rhema, **John 16:13**
- The Spirit gives revelation, instruction and direction. The Spirit facilitates the Word, **1 Corinthians 2:9-14**
- The Spirit activates the Logos to produce Rhema in you, **John 6:63**
- Rhema is the active, specific and direct Word of God to you
- No Rhema from God is void of power, Luke 1:37 AMPC
- Logos is the seed, Rhema is the life it produces by the Spirit. This depends on the environment in your heart
- The Logos develops and improves, the Rhema advances and increases
- Rhema (the Logos that God speaks to you personally) is full of power!, **Hebrews 4:12, AMPC**
- You withstand by the Logos and you advance by the Rhema!