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Bible Study

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Using God's Word for Spiritual Warfare

Matthew 4:3-11

Ephesians 6:11 reads, "Put on the full armor of God so that you can fight against the devil's evil tricks." (NCV) This verse reveals what believers are commanded to do in order to experience victory in spiritual warfare. A vital weapon that God has provided for every Christian as they do battle with Satan is the Holy Bible. All blood bought saints should make it their business to thoroughly familiarize themselves with the Scriptures before their encounter with evil forces. This lesson is designed to share what God's Word is good for as it relates to spiritual warfare.

Breakdown of Matthew Chapter 4 Verses 1-11

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| 1. The <u>Place</u> | of Jesus | Verse 1 |
| 2. The <u>Plot</u> | against Jesus | Verses 2-10 |
| 3. The <u>Pleasure</u> | for Jesus | Verse 11 |

1. The Word of God is good for Temptation by Satan.
Verses 1, 2
"Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2) After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry." (NIV)
2. The Word of God is good for Preparation for Satan.
Verses 3, 4
"The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread." 4) Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. (NIV)
3. The Word of God is good for Communication with Satan.
Verses 5-7
"Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. 6) "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written: "He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone." 7) Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" (NIV)

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