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**Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to
abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage
war against your soul. I Peter 2:11**

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you.

1 Peter 4:12

**For though we live in the world, we do not wage war
as the world does. 4 The weapons we fight with are
not the weapons of the world.**

**On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish
strongholds. II Corinthians 10:3,4**

Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

14 Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

**15 and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the
readiness given by the gospel of peace. 16 In all
circumstances take up the shield of faith,**

**with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of
the evil one;**

**17 and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of
the Spirit, which is the word of God,**

18 praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. Ephesians 6:13-18

When it comes to prayer we might be...

- Intimidated**
- Misinformed**
- Disillusioned**

**The Psalms help us talk to God as we engage the
spiritual battle.**

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7 The Lord is my refuge;
I will not be afraid
of what the wicked may do
to me.

8 I will give thanks to you,
Lord, for you have
done these things for me.

9 Why, Lord, do you stand
far off?

Why do you hide
yourself in times of
trouble?

2 In his arrogance the
wicked man hunts down
the weak,

3 He boasts about the
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Praise is important because it...

- Moves our focus off self and onto God.**
- Invites God's blessing and presence.**

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2 Out of the mouth of babies and infants,

**you have established strength because of your foes,
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earth! Psalm 8:1-9**

1) Praise God for the little things.

Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger. Psalm 8:2

...And they said to him, “Do you hear what these are saying?” And Jesus said to them, “Yes; have you never read,

“‘Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise’?” Matthew 21:16

...We know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

2) Praise God for His creation.

**When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
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3) Praise God for who you are.

**Yet you have made him a little lower than the
heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and
honor. Psalm 8:5**

**I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
Psalm 139:14**

**What do you have that you did not receive? If then
you received it, why do you boast as if you did not
receive it? I Corinthians 4:7**

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4) Praise God for what you do.

**You have given him dominion over the works of your
hands... Psalm 8:6**

Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock

and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. Genesis 1:26,27

**“Far and away the best prize that life has to offer is
the chance to work hard at work worth doing.”**

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Psalms 8:6-8

It has been testified somewhere, “What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him? 7 You made him for a little while lower than the angels;

**you have crowned him with glory and honor, & putting
everything in subjection under his feet.”**

Hebrews 2:6-8

**But we see him who for a little while was made lower
than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory
and honor**

**because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace
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