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Ephesians 6:10-13, James 3:14-15, Ephesians 4:25-27, Genesis 3:1-5, 2 Corinthians 11:1-4, Acts 5:40-42, John 10:10

### Discuss

1. Is spiritual warfare something you think much about? Is it something you would say you are actively engaged in? What does it look like in your life?
2. Our adversary the Devil seeks to destroy us. What are some of his more common schemes?  
  
How can we be on the look out for them, and what can we do to avoid them?
3. How does bitterness and jealousy become a tool in the enemies hand to hinder us from serving the Lord?
4. Read Ephesians 6:12 - What "enemies" do we actually find ourselves fighting most often? Are they in line with Ephesians 6:12, or are we fighting the wrong battles?

### Prayer

Pray this week that God would open our eyes to the schemes of the enemy and that we we would not fall prey to his deceptions.



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