IDENTIFY THE ENEMY'S STRONGHOLDS

You cannot fight the enemy that you do not see. (Paul said, "So fight I, not as one that beats the air.") Identify his activities and target your praying specifically. There may be strongholds that are not listed here. Ask the Lord to reveal to you the enemy's strongholds by bringing these things to mind. Identify suspicious symptoms of the enemy's by his <u>fingerprints</u> on <u>your life</u>, <u>your family</u>, and <u>your church</u>. Remember the Lord says, "We are not ignorant of his devices."

(Obstacles, hindrances, sicknesses, oppression, fears, torments, etc.)

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TRIALS	TORMENTS	TRAGEDIES
Besieged by Enemy	Battered of the Enemy	Bondage to the Enemy
<u>People</u> - persecutors, blasphemers, interferers, antagonists, hinderers	<u>Depression</u> - prolonged emotional attacks, hopelessness, gloominess	<u>Drugs</u> - under the power of substances, alcohol, illegal drugs, prescription pills, cigarettes, etc.
<u>Finances</u> - devouring worm, waster, losses, leaky bag, persistent joblessness, persistent poverty	Physical - spirit of infirmity, hypochondria, psychosomatic illnesses  Fears - unfounded fears, anxieties, panics,	Sexual deviations - addictions, porno, homosexuality, immorality behavior, etc.
<u>Family</u> - disintegration of home, runaway children, wayward children, prolonged anger,	timidity, insecurity, inadequacy  Anger - hatred, bitterness, temper, rage, violence	Abusive behavior - destructive, assaults, language, self-mutilation, suicidal thoughts and attempts, physical abuse
<u>Marriage</u> - disintegrating marriage, separation, divorce, arguments, jealousy, unfaithful spouse,	Moral - repeated failures, obsessive temptations, lusts, obsessive thoughts	Insanity - uncontrollable mind, psychosis, voices, visions, nightmares, etc.  Occult involvement - consulting psychics,
<u>Problems</u> - flood of misfortune, bad events, accidents, injuries, natural disasters,	<u>Backsliders</u> - apostate deliberate willful turning away, prodigal sons and daughters	palm readers, horoscopes, etc  Cult involvement - blinded to the truth,
Physical - health attacks "buffeting," nagging sicknesses, headaches, undiagnosed symptoms,		choose to believe a lie, doctrinal error concerning Christ

Before we can pull down stronghold (footholds or nesting places of the enemy) we must identify those hidden things of darkness, and expose them. It is like shining a light into a dark place, the cockroaches will scatter at the presence of light.

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Much of our warfare must be done <u>out loud</u>, not just in our minds. Be sure that you are not just thinking your resistance of the devil. He does not read your thoughts. He must be spoken to. The Gospel truths must be announced to him. His hiding places must be exposed <u>out loud</u>!

(Do it, don't just think it! Check when you have done it)

1. <u>BE STRONG</u> IN THE LORD!	Eph. 6:10
2. <u>PUT ON</u> THE ARMOR OF GOD	Eph. 6:11-18
3. <u>PRAY THE HEDGE</u> OF PROTECTION	Ezekiel 22:30
4. <u>CLAIM THE BLOOD</u> OF JESUS FOR COVERING	Rev. 12:11
5. TAKE SHELTER IN SECRET PLACE OF GOD	Psalm 91:1-3
6. AGREE TOGETHER BINDING THE ENEMY	Matt. 18:18-20
7. <u>RESIST</u> THE DEVIL, STEDFASTLY	James 4:7/I Pet 5:8-9
8. <u>COMMAND HIM</u> TO LEAVE	Matt. 10:1
9. <u>REBUKE HIM</u> IN JESUS NAME	Matt. 17:18
10. <u>EXPOSE THE HIDDEN THINGS</u> OF DARKNESS	Eph 5:11
11. <u>DECLARE LOOSING</u> OF THE CAPTIVES	Luke 4:18
12. <u>PULL DOWN</u> STRONGHOLDS BY FAITH	II Cor. 10:3-5

It is only when we stand in our own righteousness that we should be afraid to stand before the enemy, for our righteousnesses are as "filthy rags" but the righteousness of Christ is called the armor of God.

**Rejoice not that devils are subject to you** in Jesus' name – BUT rejoice that your names are written in heaven. The power is not in us (ourselves) but in him who loved us and gave himself for us. We hide ourselves behind the cross.