### **Worship Priority:**

This week, <u>circle</u> any words that describe any sins Satan has tempted you to sin. <u>Underline</u> any sins you are currently fighting against or giving into. <del>Cross through</del> any areas where you feel defeated by Satan.

**Galatians 5:19-21**—Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, <sup>20</sup> idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, <sup>21</sup> envy, <sup>[a]</sup> drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Colossians 3:5-8—Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: [a] sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 On account of these the wrath of God is coming. [b] 7 In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. 8 But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth.

Mark 7:21-23—For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, <sup>22</sup> coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. <sup>23</sup> All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person." So how is it going? Are you loosing the war or winning? Identifying the battle zone is half the battle. Now read these Scriptures: Colossians 2:13-15; Lk. 10:18-20; Eph. 1:18-23. And so the battle begins: Eph. 6:10-18; 1 Pet. 5:8-10; 2 Cor. 10:3-4

### **NEXT WEEK**

Title: "Encounter God with a Grateful Heart"

**Text:** Luke 17&18

**Question:** What prevents you from being more grateful? Is it a person, a prob-

lem, a misplaced priority or maybe a perspective?

#### **Got Questions?**

You can text a question or suggestion to 478.227.8522. Doug will get back to you with an answer, and we'll possibly address your question in an upcoming sermon.

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**November 15, 2015** | "Encountering God- Spiritual Warfare in Worship"

**Texts:** John 4:23-24; Eph. 6:10-18; 1 Pet. 5:8-10; 2 Cor. 10:3-4; Heb. 3:13, 4:12-13

**IN A NUTSHELL** If worshipping God "in spirit and in truth" is seen by Jesus as one of the most important things for us to understand, then Satan is more than happy for us to worship with just tweaking our disposition and slightly distorting the truth.

**ICE BREAKER** Describe the last time you saw the patrolman and knew you were going to be stopped. What is it that causes us to be careless until we think we are about to be caught?

#### WINDOWS IN THE WORD

- 1. What did the woman at Jacob's well go to for discussion when she perceived Jesus was a prophet?
- 2. Since the devil is trying to "devour" us what does Peter say we should do?
- 3. What are the weapons we fight with as Christians?
- 4. In what ways might John 4:23,24 and Heb. 4:12-13 be linked regarding the "spirit & truth"?

#### WINDOWS INTO MY HEART

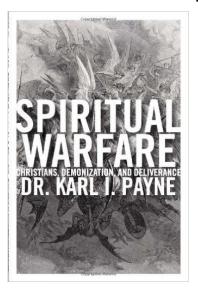
- 5. How can Christians help each other avoid being deceived by Satan?
- 6. What today has challenged your ability to worship God in Spirit and truth?
- 7. Take a look at the back of the CARE Sheet (Worship Priority) and spend some time this week evaluating your thoughts and actions. If you are a Christian they are at war with the Holy Spirit in you as you try to worship. In light of those passages of Scripture how might you better make worshiping God in Spirit and truth a priority this next week?

#### WINDOWS TO THE WORLD

3. If someone came to church today for the first time and asked you about the most important thing about your church, what would you dewww.dougdelp scribe? Why?

WHAT I SEE...

## **A Worship Resource**



**Title:** Spiritual Warfare— Christians, Demonization and Deliverance

by Dr. Karl Payne

**Book Review**— "Books on spiritual warfare usually make me cringe. On one side, some authors write incendiary works that see a devil behind every bush and every sneeze. Inversely, other theological works often ignore the demonic realm completely as if Satan is simply a metaphor, and not real. This work by Karl Payne is a Godsend. Finally we have a balanced and theologically sound examination of demonic oppression and possession..."

What I personally have found invaluable are:

- I. He talks about the three areas that Christians need to battle- the flesh, the world and the devil. Therefore, this book is not just about demons, though a large part is devoted to that area.
- 2. The section that is about demons is very specific and practical. He walks every Christian through how to overcome demons through Christ's authority by laying it out step by step. I also appreciated his sharing of some of his experiences,

including his first encounters where things

did not go well because everyone involved was unaware of the specific steps he talks about.



## **Encountering God in Everyday Life**

Think about the Synergy Milestones. How would you break down the key principles of this sermon/these Scriptures and describe them to each age/maturity level?

#1 "Discipleship"	_
#2 "Early Years" -	_
#3 "Teens"	_
#4 "Supporting Adulthood" -	_
#5 "Legacy"	

# FAMILY/COMMUNITY ACTIVITY

As your family discusses things you've heard on TV, read online, or witnessed at school, work or church see if one of the Scriptures under "Worship Priority" addresses a root cause for that trouble. Help you children/grandchildren identify where God's spirit is battling with Satan in their world.

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