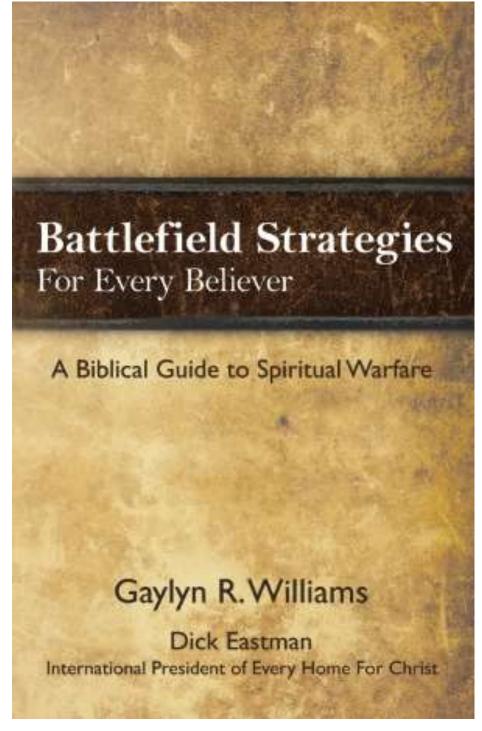
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# Foreword by Dick Eastman

International President, Every Home for Christ and President of America's National Prayer Committee

In my role serving as international president of Every Home for Christ (EHC), a global missions ministry that has conducted home-to-home and village-to-village evangelism campaigns in 215 nations, I often remind our staff of the conviction that, "Prayer, alone, will remove every obstacle that stands in the way of fulfilling the Great Commission." Because of this conviction, we make prayer a foundational part of everything we do—from praying daily "on-site" over every nation on earth "by name" at our international headquarters, to prayer-walking "on the field" before individual outreaches, and including the forming of hundreds of "Walls of Prayer" (consisting of all 168 hours in a week covered by intercessors in a region or nation) where prayer is offered 24/7 for the advancing of Christ's kingdom in their regions. It's all a part of our *Battlefield Strategies* for the nations.

On a more personal note, I have seen the value of cultivating my own *Battle Strategies* in daily prayer. For almost four decades I have made it a habit of praying daily over the nations while holding a map of the world in my hands. Although long ago the more than 225 nations on earth have found their way deep into my memory, I still love opening that map and spreading it before the Lord as I lift the nations, one by one, in intercession.

In encountering *Battlefield Strategies*, I was struck by the fact that these very practices—the prayer strategies I've been using in my personal prayer life as well as in the EHC ministry—are just what Gaylyn Williams describes as "battlefield strategies" for victorious spiritual warfare. We have been claiming Christ's victory in the nations just as Gaylyn encourages us in claiming His victory in our own lives, relationships, and families. From years of my own experience, and in reading the experiences of mighty prayer warriors of past generations, I can tell you that the principles and strategies Gaylyn Williams shares truly work. They work on a global scale, releasing victory in the nations, and they can work in your life personally as you seek the Lord's victory in your own circumstances. When we are equipped to engage in spiritual warfare effectively, we truly become agents of transformation. And it begins with transformation in our own lives.

Battlefield Strategies is more than just a book, and it's certainly not one you'll read once and relegate to the far-end of a dusty book shelf. This is a resource, a guide you'll want to return to again and again as you encounter new circumstances and battles and need new strategies to face them. Battlefield Strategies is practical and engaging, with biblical insights woven together by an author who has faced her own share of difficult battles and emerged victorious in Christ. Gaylyn's humor and willingness to share from her heart and life will surely encourage you as you learn to walk in victory.

Most of all, I am impressed by *Battlefield Strategies* because of its holistic approach and its clear focus on Jesus. Gaylyn thoroughly explores what the Bible has to say not just about spiritual warfare, but about every aspect that relates to our participation in it. You will be challenged to renew your vision of who Christ is and who you are in Him, to recognize your own limitations and weaknesses, and to find your identity in the way God sees you. Although much has been written on the topic of spiritual warfare, I believe Gaylyn's work is unique and uniquely powerful because of her insistent focus on Christ, His power, and His already-accomplished victory rather than on the enemy. This is significant.

I encourage you to immerse yourself in *Battlefield Strategies* and embrace these proven principles for your life. Study the Scriptures, ponder the questions, meditate on the lessons, and pray the practical prayers in each chapter. Read it on your own and read it with a small group or your family. Then, watch how God responds as you apply these biblically proven *Battlefield Strategies* in your own life.

## Introduction

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy.

I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

John 10:10 ESV

In this book, we will look at proven, biblical principles that are critical for us to understand in order to have victory in our lives, our families and our ministries. I challenge you to not only read what is here, but to put each part into practice.

This book is not meant to be a full exposition of everything in the Word of God (often called "the Word") about spiritual warfare. I'm only focusing on personal warfare for us and our families. It's not even everything about personal warfare either. If we were to look at all that the Bible says about the topic, this would be a massive book. I don't pretend to know it all. I keep learning more and I trust you are as well.

Since many people don't read introductions, including me most of the time, I'm going to stop now and let you look through the next two sections before you get into the book.

I pray God's blessings on you as you grow in the Lord and learn to have more and more victory in spiritual warfare and your life.

#### **How Is This Book Different?**

A teacher in a Bible school gave his students an hour-long exam. They were to spend half their time writing about the Holy Spirit and the other half about the devil.<sup>1</sup>

One student wrote steadily for the whole hour on the first subject, the Holy Spirit, and then wrote at the bottom of his manuscript, "I had no time for the devil."

That wasn't the way to get a good grade on an exam, but his comment does point us to the best way we can resist and overcome Satan. If we fill ourselves with God's Word, pray and submit to the Holy Spirit, we will not give the devil an opportunity or a foothold (Ephesians 4:27).

The devil cannot gain a foothold in an area of our lives that the Holy Spirit controls. When we are saved, we receive the Holy Spirit, yet it is possible for a true believer to "give the devil a foothold." The only remedy is to be "filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18), which means to be completely surrendered to God and His will.

Whereas many books on spiritual warfare focus on the enemy, this book focuses on the Lord. We need to know our enemy and his tactics, but we need to keep our focus on our great and powerful God. As we do, we will learn to hear and see God more and more clearly. Then we'll quickly know what He says is our best strategy in a given situation.

When the Secret Service trains their counterfeit money agents, they don't have them look at fake money. They have them look, touch, feel and count real money. They have them do it again and again. Then, one day they sneak in a fake bill to see if they catch it. If they have been paying attention to the real money, they see the flawed, fake bill and pass that test. In the same way, we need to focus on God, so we will recognize anything that is not from Him.

Hebrews 12:1–3 gives us a picture of our lives and our warfare. Let's look at it in the *New Living Translation*. We will come back to these verses throughout the book.

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Since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. <sup>2</sup>We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. Because of the joy awaiting him, he endured the cross, disregarding its shame. Now he is seated in the place of honor beside God's throne. <sup>3</sup>Think of all the hostility he endured from sinful people; then you won't become weary and give up.

We'll be looking at many different parts of these verses throughout this book. For example, we'll look at stripping off the weights in Chapter 5. We'll look at the huge crowd of witnesses in Chapters 6 and 7.

What we want to focus on right now is verse 2. Jesus is our example of how to do spiritual warfare. He was in the most intense battle of His life when He was going to the cross. He showed us how to endure spiritual conflict and how to come out victorious.

Jesus focused on the joy set before Him. He kept His eyes there. On what joy do you think He was focusing? I believe it was on the results He would accomplish—bringing *us* into an eternal relationship with Him. He knew we could only have a personal relationship with Him if He died on the cross. Focusing on the joy of a relationship with us was what gave Him the ability to go through the warfare.

In the same way, as we focus on Jesus and what He already did for us, we can find joy even in the midst of the most overwhelming trials and warfare.

The Greek<sup>2</sup> word in verse 2 translated "keeping" or "fixing" has two meanings: It means looking *toward* something (Jesus) and *looking away* from something (our problems or the enemy). We can't focus on two places at once.

Verse 2 says we go through our warfare by keeping our eyes on Jesus. When we look at each piece of our armor and our weapons, we will see they are all about God and what He has done for us.

Second Chronicles 20:12 (ESV) says, "We are powerless against this great horde that is coming against us. We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you." In this chapter, three huge armies were coming against the people of Judah. This verse is a part of the king's prayer. The prayer is a great one for us to pray—recognizing that on our own we are powerless against the enemy, but also realizing God is so much greater than any enemy that might come against us. We may not know what to do, but if we keep our eyes on the Lord, He will show us and guide us.

All the strategies in this book are from the Word. Be very careful if someone is teaching warfare strategies that are not grounded in the Word. I encourage you to go through each of the principles in this book and see what you can learn from them.

I invite you to challenge me if you see anything that you don't believe is biblical. I will go back to the Word to see what it says. There is a lot of teaching about spiritual warfare that is not based on the Word. Verify in the Bible everything you read or hear anyone say—including this book. We should be like the Bereans in Acts 17:11 (NIV): "They received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true." They were honored for checking what the Apostle Paul said!

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Aforaho.

#### **How to Use This Book**

The purpose of this book is to give you practical biblical direction so you can be victorious in your life, family, business or job and ministry.

It is important to understand spiritual warfare and I encourage you to study and understand the principles in this book. However, you can go right to the last part of this book and begin praying the prayers. Even if you don't entirely understand what you are praying, you can still have amazing power over the enemy. I've seen that in my life, as I'll share later.

If you begin with the prayers at the end, I encourage you to come back and study the rest of the book later, because it will give you even greater power in your warfare.

This is not just a book to read. It is a manual for success in your life. However, the powerful, biblical principles won't work unless you apply them.

I give you the main points to read and understand. Some people like to know more and others are ready to start doing warfare without knowing all the details.

Personally, I often scan books to get the meat. I've written this book in such a way you can quickly scan through each topic, if that's how you like to learn. Or you can read every word. I'm less concerned about you reading every word than learning the principles and applying them in your life.

Every chapter has numerous Scriptures with questions to answer. I encourage you to study them, but don't get bogged down with all of them, so you fail to complete the book. You can always come back and study more of them later.

Note: In this book, I refer most of the time to Satan and his demons as the "enemy," because that is what he is (Matthew 13:39). I usually refer to the enemy as singular (one enemy) even though I realize there are hordes of demons.

## **Each Chapter Has the Following Sections to Help You:**

- What Can I Do Today? This gives you some actions from the chapter that you can begin applying to your life today. It has a few things you can do from each chapter, if you don't have time to go through all of it in detail.
- A Verse to Meditate On and Memorize. See Scripture Memory below.
- God's Name for Today. It is critical for us to constantly focus on the Lord, rather than
  getting caught up with focusing on who the enemy is. Yes, we need to understand a little
  about him and his strategies, but we must keep looking at Jesus. If we don't, the enemy
  can seem bigger than the Lord.
- A Devotional. Each chapter ends with a devotional you can use in your time alone with the Lord. They come out of other books I've written, and relate to the topic in that chapter. These help you keep your focus on the Lord, what He says about Himself or how He sees you.
- A Prayer for Today. This can help you to talk to God about what you learned in the chapter. Many of the prayers are examples of how you can apply the principles in the chapter. You are welcome to pray however you want. The prayers are for people who want extra guidance.

## **Further Study**

You might want to go deeper in your study by discovering what else the Word says on the topic. One way to do that is to go to BibleGateway.com. Put the word or words into the "Keyword Search Tool."

You can also look up the verses mentioned in here in other translations to see what they say.

#### **Scripture Memory**

I encourage you to memorize Bible verses. When you have the Word in your heart, you'll be amazed at the times God brings it back to you—just when you need it. I've been memorizing Scripture since I was a child. Often during the night, when I can't go to sleep, I'll begin meditating on a verse.

At the end of each chapter, I encourage you to pick a verse to meditate on and memorize. I give you a suggestion, but you are welcome to pick any verse you want. Ask the Lord to show you what verses you need to memorize. Knowing the Word can help you in fighting the enemy.

On the first page of the appendix is a webpage where you can find a document laid out with all the verses, so you can print it and make verse cards.

#### Here are some ideas to help you memorize verses:

- Write the verse on a card or sticky note and put it where you'll see if often.
- Read the verse daily.
- Choose whatever translation you want for the verse you meditate on and/or memorize.

For more help on memorizing verses, go to my blog DailyNameofGod.com.

#### **Ways to Use This Book**

You can use this book in any of the following ways or you can get creative in how you use it:

- Read, study and apply the principles on your own.
- Study it with your spouse or a friend. You could read it separately and then share the principles or you could read it together and talk about what you are learning.
- Investigate the principles with your children, empowering them with the tools they need for their lives to have victory over the enemy.
- Explore it with a small group, sharing your insights together.
- Delve into it with your whole church or ministry, learning and applying the principles together.

If you use this book with others, you can help each other along the path and pray for each other. If you are studying the book with others, look at the "Leaders' Guide" in the back of this book for some helpful ideas.

#### Meditation

Meditation has gotten a bad reputation with Christians because of the way other religions use it. However, the Bible has a lot to say about meditation.

Other synonyms for meditate include: consider, ponder, reflect, think about, study, contemplate, deliberate and mull over.

# Look at the following verses. Think about what each one says about meditating on God and His Word:

Joshua 1:8 (NKJV): "This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success."

Psalm 1:1–2 (HCSB): "How happy is the man who does not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path of sinners, or join a group of mockers! Instead, his delight is in the Lord's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night."

Psalm 48:9 (NIV): "Within your temple, O God, we meditate on your unfailing love."

Psalm 77:12 (ESV): "I will ponder all your work, and meditate on your mighty deeds." The *New Living Translation* says, "They are constantly in my thoughts. I cannot stop thinking about your mighty works."

Psalm 119:27 (NLT): "Help me understand the meaning of your commandments, and I will meditate on your wonderful deeds."

Psalm 119:97, 99 (ASV): "Oh how love I thy law! It is my meditation all the day. ... I have more understanding than all my teachers; for thy testimonies are my meditation."

Psalm 145:5 (NKJV): "I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, And on Your wondrous works."

Philippians 4:8 (ESV): "Whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

I encourage you to take the time to meditate on and consider the truths from each Scripture in this book. Ask the Lord to reveal His truth to you as you meditate on His Word.

#### **Bible Translations**

This book uses different translations of the Bible, which show variations and nuances of the verses. Only part of some verses is used, because that's what is being emphasized. The copyright information for the Bible translations is on the copyright pages at the end of this book. The abbreviations used are:

AMP—Amplified Bible

ASV—American Standard Version

CJB—Complete Jewish Bible

ESV—English Standard Version

HCSB—Holman Christian Standard Bible

JBP— J. B. Phillips, The New Testament in Modern English

KJV—King James Version

MSG—The Message

NASB—New American Standard Bible

NIV—New International Version, 2011

NKJV—New King James Version

NLT—New Living Translation

OJB—The Orthodox Jewish Bible

The Voice—The Voice Bible

#### **Hebrew and Greek Words**

Some words from the original languages are included because often they add so much depth to the meaning. A word in Hebrew or Greek can have numerous meanings, yet they are translated with one English word. As a result, we miss so much.

I am not a Hebrew or Greek scholar and only include that information to add to your understanding. I don't pretend to fully comprehend them. I'm a fellow adventurer, longing to continue to know God more intimately.

The Hebrew and Greek words are written with easy-to-pronounce spellings, although there are other ways to spell them.

#### **Formatting for Verses**

Verses are quoted as they appear in the translation that is cited. For example, if one translation capitalized pronouns for God and another doesn't, I use whatever the translation does. Or, if a translation uses a different spelling than US standards, I leave the word as it is. For example, J.B. Phillips uses British spellings.

Verse numbers are included in passages where I refer to specific verses from that passage. If individual verses are not referred to, verse numbers are not included.

If something is not obvious in the verse, but is known from the context, I include that in brackets.

## **Principles You Will Learn in This Book**

The principles in this book will help you in every area of your life. I want to lay a firm foundation for your spiritual warfare as well as for your life. These principles are critical for every area of your life.

There are some points I will continue to mention. They are basic things we should all be doing, yet so many people don't do them. Many people use excuses about why they don't apply these truths. Here is an overview of what you will learn:

 No matter what we are doing in our lives, we must have a strong, personal, growing relationship with God. That relationship will carry us through everything else, giving us wisdom, strength, hope, courage, protection, and so on. We'll look at this in Chapter 3.
 You can also learn more in Appendix B, "Discovering A Personal Relationship with God."

- Many of us—myself included—don't really know who we are. The enemy has lied to us, getting us to feel like we are orphans. The truth is God loves us so much He chose to adopt us as His children. Because we are children of the King of kings, we have everything we need. I've only recently begun to see myself as God sees me, yet I know I have a long way to go. Chapters 4 and 5 will help you understand more of who you are.
- God hasn't put us on earth to deal with everything ourselves. Besides having the Lord, He also gave us others to be on our team. We'll look at who they are in Chapters 6 and 7.
- Obviously, we need to know who our enemy is and his tactics in order to be victorious over him. That's Chapters 8 and 9.
- God has given us some amazing resources for our lives as well as for spiritual warfare, including the Word, prayer, our power and authority in Christ, our clothing, armor and weapons. We need to be in the habit of using each of these resources every day. We'll look at these resources in Chapters 10 to 14.
- In Chapter 15, we'll look at how Jesus waged and taught about warfare.
- In Chapter 16, we'll look at one of my favorite chapters in the Bible, because it is so powerful! It contains a surprise strategy for our warfare.
- Finally in Chapter 17, I'll give you specific prayers you can pray for yourself, your family, your business and your ministry.

This is where we are going in this book. You don't have to read every word and you can jump around in the book. For example, if you are in the middle of some serious warfare, you can go to the back of the book and start praying the prayers. However, I really encourage you to come back and lay the foundation.

You might want to study a little at a time from the initial chapters and begin praying the prayers. Just remember, you can get yourself in trouble if you don't have a good foundation. If you are trying to do it all on your own, that can lead to problems.

Just as an army general wouldn't go into a war without having a strategy, so we must also have a strategy before we go into the heat of battle. Our approach won't always be the same, so we need to understand what we can and can't do. This whole book is filled with powerful strategies.

# 1: Prepare for War

Though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:3–5 NIV

Are you facing a spiritual battle that seems too big to win? Do you feel confused, overwhelmed, fearful or defeated? You are not alone, but you don't have to feel defeated. God has given us powerful principles, tools and tactics in His Word to help us. In this book you'll learn simple ways to overcome Satan's strategies and embrace God's victory.

I have proven the biblical principles in this book in my life and in my family. I began raising my sons on my own, beginning when they were four and ten. Over the last twenty years, I often spent two to three hours a day praying for them, especially when one of them was making some poor choices. I knew I couldn't raise them on my own without God's wisdom and strength. For one thing, I wasn't used to boys, since I only had sisters growing up.

I saw God protect my sons and work in their lives during those initial years as a single mom. However, when I started using the principles I share in this book, I saw incredible things happen in their lives.

I saw God do a 180-degree turn-around for my son Jonathan. Within one week, he went from walking down a dead-end road of life to actively following Jesus.

Did you get that? He was depressed, down on life, out of work and only had \$400 for that month's rent (no money left for food).

When I changed how I was praying, within one week Jonathan decided to become a missionary! He applied and was accepted for a Youth with a Mission (YWAM) school that started in three weeks. The problem: he needed \$8000 for the school. We prayed together, believing that if God wanted him in that school, He would provide.

God did another miracle: Before school began he had all the money he needed to get started and the rest came in the next month!

The other problem was that he was addicted to cigarettes at the time and YWAM had a policy that no one could smoke. He was able to quit completely and has never gone back.

During those weeks before he started school, he began praying like I had done for him, with power and authority. In a week or so, his friends noticed a difference in him and said, "You are praying differently, with more power and authority."

When I changed my strategy for my son Timothy, the results I saw weren't as dramatic because he was already on a good path in his life. He was in college at the time. However, within two weeks he began to have nights of worship at my house most Friday nights with twenty to forty teenagers. They didn't come to chit-chat or play games. Rather, they sang, worshiped and prayed for two to three hours. The only problem they encountered was a policeman who showed up at the door, requesting they lower the volume!

This was the beginning of my learning to pray with power and authority. When I saw how God worked in my sons' lives, I was hooked. I've been praying the same ways since and continue to see results.

Do I believe these principles work? Oh yes! However, I'm not saying if you follow these principles your children or family will turn around in the same ways or the same time frames.

God works in each of our lives differently. I challenge you to test these principles in your life and family and see what God can do!

#### What is Spiritual Warfare?

In order to do warfare, we must first be prepared. The initial way to prepare is to know what we are up against. In John 10:10 (NLT) Jesus said, "The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life."

Spiritual warfare is simply our battles against Satan and his army of demons. His job is to steal, kill and destroy us, our families and our ministries. Our job is to stand against him, accepting the rich, satisfying life Jesus gave us. We'll look at this verse throughout the book.

Jesus already won the war against the enemy when He died on the cross and was raised to life. And, He gave us the guidebook with winning spiritual strategies—the Bible.

Spiritual warfare isn't just casting out demons; it is also Spirit-controlled thinking and attitudes. I believe one way the enemy deceives us is by getting us focused on demons rather than focusing on the Holy Spirit, allowing Him to control our thinking (Romans 8:6).

Knowing how to effectively do spiritual warfare is critical for our lives and our families, especially the more we are involved in any type of ministry. I believe we should all be involved in ministry in some way.

We have an enemy who does not want us to succeed in the Christian life or in ministry. He will do whatever he can to destroy us. That's just what he does and he does it well.

Many Christians lose more battles than they win. Is that you?

Do you have a sense of hopelessness or defeat you can't seem to beat? Satan knows he can block your effectiveness as a believer if he can deceive you into believing you are nothing but a product of your past, subject to sin, prone to failure and controlled by your habits. He also loves to make us fearful, hopeless and depressed. It is important for us to learn to see ourselves as God sees us. We'll look at this in Chapter 4.

We are in a battle against the spiritual forces of evil—whether we want to be or not; whether we recognize the truth of what is going on or not (Ephesians 6:12). Understanding this truth is critical for our success in warfare.

#### **Who Should Do Spiritual Warfare?**

Every believer in Jesus Christ needs to hone his skills as a warrior. If you are not sure whether you are a believer, I encourage you to go to the back of the book, "Discovering a Personal Relationship with God." You can learn more about starting your walk with God.

The question is not *whether* the enemy will attack you, but rather how and when he will assault—and if you will recognize his attacks. One of Satan's schemes is to keep us in the dark, unable or unwilling to recognize what he's doing.

Spiritual warfare is normal. In the past, many believers thought only super spiritual leaders could do it. They thought only the pastors and elders had the authority to stand up against the enemy.

Spiritual warfare is the normal calling and daily challenge of every believer. It isn't the specialized business of a few spiritually elite saints.

I heard Cindy Jacobs say recently, "One of my aims is to have the devil say when I wake up, 'Oh no, she's awake again." I want to be a threat to the enemy, so he knows I understand

his tactics and I know how to fight them. I also want him to know my team already won the victory when Jesus died on the cross.

While writing this book I experienced so much warfare in various areas of my life, which I will share throughout this book. As this was happening I actually got excited because I knew the enemy was on the run! Our adversary has no reason to attack us if we aren't a threat to him. He won't waste his time.

Be encouraged if you are experiencing warfare in your life. It means you are on the right track. You have come to the right place to learn and apply the practical strategies God has given us for success.

#### **Spiritual Boot Camp**

I got a recorded call recently, saying, "The FBI reports that there is a home break-in every fifteen seconds..." Interesting timing! I believe there is a home break-in more often than that, but it is not by human criminals. The enemy will do whatever he can to destroy us and our lives by breaking into our minds with his lies.

Imagine if you joined the army, but you didn't go through basic training, because the army was trying to save money. Or maybe they were desperate for new soldiers to get to the front lines of battle.

Your enemy, however, had preparation for how to live and act in the army. They had endured endless physical and mental challenges. You had nothing but a gun thrust into your hands, without any instructions on how to use it. You had no strategy or plan, other than to "get the bad guys." And you weren't even sure who they were or how to recognize them.

How successful do you think you would be against a well-trained army? How long do you think you would last in the battle against soldiers who were trained to kill?

Our enemy is organized and equipped with all of his demons, strategies, tactics, weapons and more. Yet so often we go into spiritual warfare unprepared. Then we wonder why we are always losing the battle.

This book provides spiritual boot camp training. You are embarking on a journey that will transform you into a highly effective soldier for the kingdom, *if* you choose to apply the principles. As you stretch yourself and grow, you'll discover that you're capable of much more than you ever thought possible.

As you apply the principles in this book, you'll gain skill and effectiveness in any spiritual battle you may face. When you're finished, you'll know that you're ready for anything that life and the enemy can throw at you.

Spiritual warfare can be extremely difficult, so we need to take the time to prepare and protect ourselves. We need to understand it and apply the biblical principles God has given us in His Word. We also need to know what resources are available to us and how to use them effectively.

God has given us a detailed guidebook revealing how to do spiritual warfare. The problem is that so many people and books have made spiritual warfare seem overwhelming and not achievable for "normal" Christians. That is so far from the truth. They also make it seem terrifying, because they focus on the enemy, making him seem more powerful. This book focuses more on God than the enemy.

In this book, I give you specific weapons and strategies you can use daily in your warfare. I'm not saying this is the only way to do it. These are principles I've found in the Word and I've tested them and proven them in my own life. I encourage you to try them.

We need to know we are not alone in our fight against the enemy. God, the angels and other believers are on our team. Jesus already won the victory over the enemy when He died on the cross and was raised to life. We need to recognize what He did and the power we have because of what He did. We must learn to live our lives in the power and authority He has given us. If we don't, we open the door for the enemy to harm us and our families.

#### What Causes "Bad" Events in Our Lives?

Some people will blame everything negative that happens on the enemy. Others don't even recognize he exists. We need to have a realistic understanding of what we are facing.

In John 16:33 (NLT) Jesus said, "Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows." He didn't say we *might* have troubles. He said we *will* have troubles.

Here are some possibilities of what may cause negative circumstances or feelings:

- Obviously, often it is the enemy trying to destroy us. You know that or you wouldn't be looking at this book!
- At times it can be our own selves and allowing our sin nature to control us, rather than
  allowing the Lord to direct us. Occasionally through our choices in life, we do a good job of
  sabotaging and destroying ourselves. For example, if I were thrown in jail for selling drugs,
  I couldn't blame the enemy. However, the enemy will often fuel our sin nature, enticing us
  with sinful pleasures. Look what the following verses say:
  - Galatians 5:16 (ESV): "Walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh."
  - James 1:14 (NIV): "Each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed."
  - Proverbs 1:30–31 (NLT): "They rejected my advice and paid no attention when I corrected them. Therefore, they must eat the bitter fruit of living their own way, choking on their own schemes."
- Some troubles are natural results because of the fall of man, such as aging. Other incidents happen because of what man has done to our world—such as allergies and many sicknesses. When sin came into the world, it allowed negative consequences to come in. These may or may not be directly related to Satan now, although man sinned because of the devil. When Adam sinned, he condemned all of humanity to suffer the consequences of that sin, one of which is sickness.
  - Romans 5:12 (NIV): "Sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned."
  - Romans 8:20-21 (NLT): "Against its will, all creation was subjected to God's curse.
     But with eager hope, the creation looks forward to the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay."
- God may allow events to happen that to us seem bad at the time; however those experiences might protect us from even worse situations, or stop us from heading a direction we shouldn't be heading. If you have children, you will understand this. For example, if your child is about to run out in the street in front of a speeding car, you may yell at him, or you'll do whatever you need to do to keep that child safe. God does the same—not to be mean, but because He loves us so much.

- Odd uses experiences to make us more like Jesus. Romans 8:28–29 (NIV) says, "We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son."
- There are some events we won't understand this side of heaven. Isaiah 55:9 (NIV) says, "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."
- God may have to discipline us in some way if we choose to disobey Him. We see this
  many times in the Old Testament. Look at what Hebrews 12:5–11 (NIV) says:

"Have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says, 'My son, do not make light of the Lord's discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you, because the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.' Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live! They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness. No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it."

I'm sure there are lots of other reasons negative experiences happen in our lives. What else? This book is not about all the other points listed above. We are only looking at spiritual warfare.

#### **How Do I Prepare for War?**

When I was twenty years old, I became a missionary with Wycliffe Bible Translators. The first thing I had to do was prepare. There were a series of steps to prepare to be a missionary including finish college, study linguistics at Wycliffe's training school in Dallas, go to Jungle Camp in southern Mexico for survival training, live in a tiny village in Guatemala to practice living in a remote area with a total language barrier and then raise support to leave for the mission field.

During preparation time, my husband and I learned many practical strategies for learning an unwritten language and how to analyze it. We also learned how to act, dress and live in a completely foreign culture.

Once the training and preparation was done, we went to Guatemala to learn Spanish and then to work with a Mayan people group. Before we could begin translating the Bible, we had to learn their dialect so we could give them a written language.

Just as becoming a missionary had many steps for preparation, we must also prepare for spiritual warfare. In the same way, we need practical, proven strategies to use. Just as I didn't have to discover everything on my own about living and working with Mayan people, we also don't need to learn warfare on our own.

You *can* go into warfare with "trial and error," learning as you go, but that's the hard way to do it. Or you can use strategies God gave us in the Bible that have been proven by many believers over the years.

We must always be prepared for whatever comes our way. The enemy will strike at times when we are least prepared.

This section has a few ways you can prepare for warfare as well as a variety of strategies to be successful at it.

Before you enter into spiritual warfare for yourself and your family, you *must* make sure a foundation is firmly laid in your life.

One way to prepare for warfare is through fasting. Throughout the Bible, the people who were sincere about serving the Lord spoke of and practiced fasting. Fasting doesn't mean you have to completely go without food. You can fast certain foods or even fast from television or something else. For more information on fasting, go to https://rrbooks.org/sw.

#### What do the following verses tell you about being prepared?

As you read each verse, ask the Lord to show you what you can learn from it and apply to your life.

- 1 Peter 1:13 (ESV): "Preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ."
- Isaiah 21:5 (NLT) reminds us to always be prepared, no matter what we are doing: "Look!
   They are preparing a great feast. They are spreading rugs for people to sit on. Everyone
   is eating and drinking. But quick! Grab your shields and prepare for battle. You are being
   attacked!"
- Jeremiah 1:17 (NLT): "Get up and prepare for action."
- Jeremiah 46:3–4 (NIV): "Prepare your shields, both large and small, and march out for battle! Harness the horses, and mount the steeds. Take your positions with helmets on. Polish your spears, put on your armor."
- 2 Timothy 3:16–17 (NLT): "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what
  is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong
  and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do
  every good work."

The enemy has a strategy all laid. We must also have a plan for how to resist and fight the enemy. Thankfully, we don't have to figure it out on our own. The Lord has given us strategies to win against the enemy. This whole book is filled with proven biblical strategies.

Before we went into the Kaqchikel (pronounced kakh-chee-kél) village in Guatemala to learn their language, we had to come up with a strategy that would make us most successful. Part of that strategy was choosing to act like we didn't understand or speak Spanish, even though we had just become fluent in it. We knew if we spoke Spanish to them, they would want to practice their Spanish with us and we wouldn't be able to learn their language.

I remember hearing the people talk about us saying in Kaqchikel, "These people are really stupid. They can't speak our language and they can't speak Spanish." Even though we couldn't speak much of the language, we could understand!

God's strategies may at times seem as crazy as our plan as missionaries. However, we knew it was tested and proven by other missionaries, so we chose to follow it. If it worked for others, we knew it should work for us. In the same way, we need to choose to follow God's strategies, even when they don't make sense.

We should never put God into a box, thinking He only uses one or two strategies. Some of His ways are very unexpected and may seem crazy to us. Isaiah 55:8 (NKJV) says, "'My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,' says the Lord."

#### Look at some of God's unexpected strategies:

- God gave a spirit of stupor. Speaking of Israelites who didn't believe in Jesus, Romans 11:8 (NIV) says, "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that could not see and ears that could not hear, to this very day."
- The Lord poured out a spirit of confusion. Isaiah 19:14 (ESV): "The Lord has mingled within her a spirit of confusion, and they will make Egypt stagger in all its deeds, as a drunken man staggers in his vomit." I'm wondering how often God does this in our lives, causing confusion in the enemy camp.
- The Lord stirred up a spirit of a destroyer. Jeremiah 51:1 (NIV): "This is what the Lord says: 'See, I will stir up the spirit of a destroyer." God is greater than any enemy. We can ask Him to destroy demons that come against us.

We'll look at other battlefield strategies throughout the book.

#### What Can I Do Today?

- Choose one or more of the truths in this chapter to apply today. Which did you choose?
- Make a commitment to the Lord to prepare yourself for whatever warfare you may face.
- Find someone who will study this book with you, so you can encourage each other on the journey.

#### A Verse to Meditate On and Memorize

Choose a verse from this chapter. If you are not sure which to choose, try this one:

1 Peter 1:13 (ESV): "Preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ."

### **God's Name for Today**

It is important for us to always keep our eyes on the Lord. No matter what we are going through or what we are studying, it is important to always focus on Him—who He is and what He does. So each chapter has a Name of God. I encourage you to meditate on it and ask God what He wants to say to you through it.

He Who Has Prepared Us for This Very Thing

He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

2 Corinthians 5:5 ESV

This verse is talking about us getting ready to leave our earthly bodies and get out heavenly bodies. What does it mean to you that God has prepared you for this? How does that encourage you today?

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My Eyes Are on the Lord

We have no power to face this vast army that is attacking us.

We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you.

2 Chronicles 20:12 NIV

#### Steps on Your Journey to Discover How God Sees You:

- The New Living Translation says, "We are powerless against this mighty army that is about to attack us. We do not know what to do, but we are looking to you for help."
- That is a great prayer. No matter what "army" you are facing, focus on your powerful God.
  He is bigger than anything or anyone who you will ever face. He is your helper and He will
  protect you and guide you. What do the following verses add? What can you apply from
  them?
  - Hebrews 12:1–3 (NIV): "Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart."
  - Hebrews 3:1 (NIV): "Holy brothers and sisters, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, whom we acknowledge as our apostle and high priest."
- When my infant son was dying, I chose to focus my spiritual eyes and thoughts on the Lord. When I didn't, I got discouraged and depressed. I often sang the chorus, "Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of His glory and grace." It could take me a long time to get my focus switched from my problems, but when I did, I found incredible peace and joy. You can read more of this story in Keys to Joy<sup>4</sup>.
- What about you? What are you facing right now? I encourage you to fix your eyes on Jesus. Focus on Him. As you do, God will give you peace and you will gain strength so you don't grow weary and lose heart (Galatians 6:9; Hebrews 12:3).

### A Prayer for Today

O my God, there are so many things I'm facing right now. I have no idea what to do with them, but my eyes are on You. I choose to focus on You and trust You to take care of the situations I'm facing. Thank You that I don't have to do spiritual warfare on my own. Thank You that You are always with me. Teach me as I study this book. I want to learn more about You and more

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about how to be victorious in my Christian life. Thank You that I never have to fear the enemy because You are so much more powerful.

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## All Stressed Up and Everywhere to Go!

#### **Solutions to De-Stressing Your Life and Recovering Your Sanity**

co-authored with Ken Williams, Ph.D.

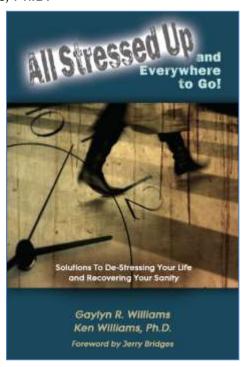
From the daily hassles to the catastrophic events, this book will empower you to successfully de-stress your life and recover your sanity. You'll discover easy-to-use skills enabling you to gain greater freedom from life's ups and downs.

In today's fast-paced, overworked world, stress is all around us: the economy, finances, raising children, health, job, school, family or lack of it, elderly parents, divorce, tragedy, debt, death and conflict.

#### This is not an ordinary book about stress!

This unique workbook contains practical, biblical tools for attaining spiritual, emotional, physical and interpersonal balance. It is filled with powerful personal stories to illustrate principles, thought-provoking questions for individual or group study, Bible studies, self-assessments and easy-to-apply strategies to develop a balanced lifestyle.

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These powerful strategies have been proven worldwide. Over twenty thousand pastors and ministry leaders in eighty countries have benefited from these life-changing skills. Ken and Gaylyn first tested them in their own lives and continue to use them on a regular basis.

Rather than writing from a clinical perspective—although Dr. Williams, with his PhD in Human Behavior, could do that—they honestly share their personal experiences, having each dealt with numerous major and minor stresses. They have trained people in Christian organizations in these methods for twenty-five years. Now their work is available to you.

"I recommend you take the time to read this important book. The Biblical solutions and personal truths in this book can set your heart, mind and soul free. This book is a timely remedy for a culture consumed with pressure, over-scheduling, impossible deadlines and sleepless nights full of anxiety."

—Gary Wilkerson, President of World Challenge and Pastor of The Springs Church

"Dr. Ken Williams and his daughter, Gaylyn, have teamed up to provide an excellent resource for believers who want to de-stress their lives through the application of God's Word mixed with healthy counseling principles."

-Bob Creson, President and CEO, Wycliffe Bible Translators USA

## Keys to Joy

#### **How to Unlock God's Gifts of Lasting Happiness**

co-authored with Ken Williams. Ph.D.

### Discover Thirteen Surprising, Proven Secrets To Unlock Your Joy!

Experiencing joy is a natural—but often elusive—part of Christian living. The hurts of life, unhelpful habits and unhealthy attitudes all lock out joy for many believers. And it remains locked until they take action

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Keys to Joy not only shows you the door, but gives you the keys you need to usher yourself daily into the full, lasting joy God offers. You'll discover how to:

- Climb to new heights of joy in your relationships with God, family and others.
- Replace worry and fear with peace and contentment.
- Demolish unhappiness, misery and discouragement.
- · Eradicate anything that locks joy out of your life.
- Transform trials into stepping stones.

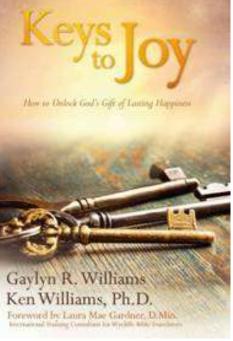
In this practical, life-changing Bible study, you'll uncover strength and encouragement for your difficult times through the authors' powerful stories of God's joy in sufferings. Each daily study includes Scriptures with questions to contemplate and grow in your relationship with God. They are designed to empower you to experience the full joy God has for you.

has for you.

Keys to Joy is for individuals, couples or small groups,
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## The Surprising Joy of Exploring God's Heart

#### A Daily Adventure with 365 of His Names

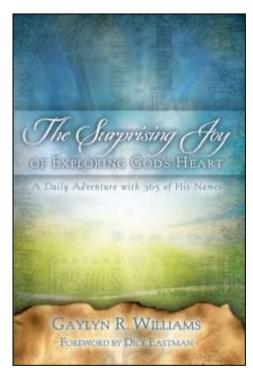
#### **Embark on a Life-Changing Adventure!**

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- Experience comfort, strength and hope from understanding God's character.
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- Enjoy a growing passion for God through praise and worship;
- Transform your prayer life and strengthen your faith.

This unique treasure contains 365 names of God directly from the Bible. Uncover daily encouragement as you dig deeper into who God is and how He relates to you personally.



Individuals, couples, families and small groups can use this simple, yet powerful tool to climb to new heights in your relationship with God and others. You'll be forever changed as you get to know God in new ways.

"In this series, Gaylyn Williams has done a remarkable job of identifying and explaining the various names God uses to describe Himself. Meditating on these names, one day at a time, will help us to know God more intimately."

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# This devotional has an accompanying journal.

# The Surprising Joy of Discovering How God Sees You

#### A Daily Adventure with Your Identity in Christ

Many people devote their lives to seeking love and approval from their relationships, possessions, career or appearance. True love and acceptance can only be found in God when you understand and believe what He says about you.

This unique treasure, revealing 365 truths about how God sees you, will:

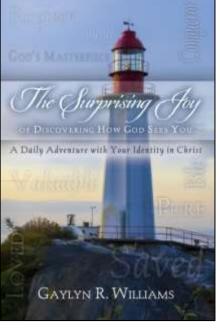
- Enable you to grasp God's image shaped in you
- Change how you live your life as you experience more of God's love
- Empower you to reach your full potential and recognize your great worth in God's eyes
- Increase confidence, understanding and acceptance in your life and relationships
- Stimulate an awareness of the power and authority in your life
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—Camilla Leathers Seabolt. Former Executive Director for Community Bible Study (1997–2013)



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## 2031 Names of God

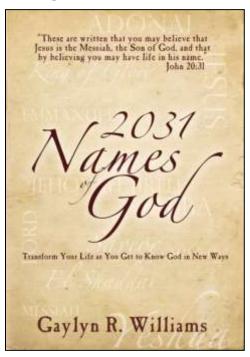
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"We serve an amazing God! Understanding and appreciating the character of the Lord is the beginning of knowing who we are in Him. In Gaylyn Williams' 2031 Names of God, she explores and uncovers who God is by examining the 2031 names given to the Lord. As a military retiree who spent 30 years serving my Nation and my Lord, how refreshing it will be to those who serve to discover in a more intimate way the Lord they serve through this journey Gaylyn will take you on."

—Brig General David B. Warner, USAF (Ret.), Executive Director, Officers' Christian Fellowship

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#### **A Paradigm Shift from Donors to Lifelong Partners**

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# In this practical, biblical book you will discover how to:

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This book is written by Ken and Gaylyn

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-Ken Royer, D.Min., Director of Pastoral Care, Link Care Center Fresno, California

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—Dr. Kelly O'Donnell and Dr. Michèle Lewis O'Donnell, Consulting Psychologists, Member Care Associates, Inc.

