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THE BATTLEFIELD OF THE TWO KINGDOMS

The battlefield of these two kingdoms is our mind. The kingdom of Satan fights against the kingdom of God in the battlefield of our mind. The spiritual warfare between God and Satan is altogether in our mind. Although the Lord Jesus is now in our spirit, He has a big problem. He cannot easily penetrate our mind. Our mind is a stronghold, and it is hard for the Lord Jesus to come into it. Second Corinthians 10:4-5 reveals that there are strongholds within us, which are our rebellious thoughts belonging to our reprobate mind. Paul says that the spiritual warfare is simply to overthrow the thoughts, the reasonings in our mind. To overthrow the reasonings means to subdue the mind, to take over the mind. Many Christians today are under the control of Satan in their mind. The strongholds consist of the concepts, ideas, opinions, judgments, even the very way of thinking—all of which are elements in the mind. Many times people say, "I don't agree with that!" This simply means that they are clinging to something in their mind.

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Scripture Readings:

- Mat 12:26 And if Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then will his kingdom stand.
- Act 26:18 To open their eyes, **to turn them from darkness to light and from the authority of Satan to God**, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.
- Php 2:13 For it is God who operates in you both the willing and the working for His good pleasure.
- Mat 10:19-20 But when they deliver you up, do not be anxious about how or what you should speak, for it will be given to you in that hour what you should speak; For you are not the ones speaking, but the Spirit of your Father is the One speaking in you.
- Eph 2:2 In which you once walked according to **the age of this world, according to the ruler of the authority of the air**, of the spirit which is now operating in the sons of disobedience;
- Eph 4:17-18 This therefore I say and testify in the Lord, that you no longer walk as the Gentiles also walk in the vanity of their mind, Being darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance which is in them, because of the hardness of their heart;
- 2Co 4:4 In whom the god of this age has blinded the thoughts of the unbelievers that the illumination of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, might not shine on them.
- Eph 6:11-12 Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the stratagems of the devil, For our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.
- 2Co 10:4-5 For the weapons of our warfare are not fleshly but powerful before God for the overthrowing of strongholds, As we overthrow reasonings and every high thing rising up against the knowledge of God, and take captive every thought unto the obedience of Christ.

2Co 11:2-3 For I am jealous over you with a jealousy of God; for I betrothed you to one husband to present you as a pure virgin to Christ. But I fear lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your thoughts would be corrupted from the simplicity and the purity toward Christ.

Rom 8:6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

Hymn (#1301)

1 Jesus the kingdom has come into us,
Reigning and shining He's all glorious,
Christ as the seed is the King who has come,
Into our spirit His kingdom He's sown.

O let Him grow, O let Him grow;
His kingdom life be all we know.
Jesus, the kingdom is sown into us;
Jesus, the kingdom, O how glorious!

2 We must repent for the kingdom's at hand;
All that we do, think, or feel, or have planned
Must be abandoned and changed in our mind;
Leave all the world and self-seeking behind.

3 All of religion has missed it again,
Teaching for doctrines the concepts of men;
They vainly wait for the kingdom to be.
A dispensation they're hoping to see.

4 But now the kingdom to us has been shown,
It is no less than our Jesus alone.
It is the Person of Christ in us all,
And it begins as a seed when we call.