

The Battle of Exposure

Ephesians Part 24

“But everything exposed to the light becomes visible.”

Ephesians 5:13

Here is a spiritual reality. The devil is a liar. Listen to what Jesus has to say about him, “He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies” (John 8:44). That is what you call shining a light in the darkness. That is exposure. The devil is a liar and he breeds – fathers – lies like flies breed maggots.

The devil is the father of lies. What do you suppose his agenda is?

You have been given life from God. The gift of life is precious. Your life is very valued by the Father who called your name before creation began. The Father who gave you life also gave you truth. James says, “Don’t be deceived my dear brothers. Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of heavenly lights, who does not change like the shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of all he created” (James 1:16-18).

God is the Father of truth. What do you suppose His agenda is?

As a follower of Christ, you and I are to live as children of light. What that means is that we are to expose lies. You see, light is not the devil’s strength. He works in darkness. He loves hidden deception. When you expose his shadowy secret deceptions, you are doing God’s work! And this work is exactly that: WORK! It is a battle.

The battle begins in your own backyard. And you need special powers and special weapons to fight this war. “The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of this 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” (II Corinthians 10: 4-5).

The battle of exposure begins in you. When you can see clearly, you can help others (Matthew 7:3-5). As a child of God, what are you doing to expose lies in your own life? How do you examine your thoughts to uncover any hidden deceptions?

Paul said we need divine power. The word “divine” means holy or something originating in heaven. Here is a truth. You have divine power. Your Father gave it to you in the form of a person. He is the Holy Spirit or the Divine Spirit. He will lead you into all truth (John 16: 5-15). Take five minutes right now. Ask Him to expose a deception in you. These nasty lies get into our minds like a computer virus. But we have divine spy-ware. After you ask the Spirit to expose a lie, walk through your day looking for it. Believe me, it will pop-up just like the “cookie” on your laptop! As soon as it does, confess your sin and ask for forgiveness. That’s what you call a divine weapon! The blood of Jesus has you covered! Ask the Spirit to guide you into all truth. He will take heaven’s light and give it to you. The battle of exposure is the work of God! Help others walk in the light; for if we walk in the light as He is in the light we will have fellowship with one another... (I John 1:7).