

Welcome to the Long Fight

—God at War, Week 1—

NIV (Unless Otherwise Marked)

I. The War _____

- *God created two families, the sons of God on earth and the sons of God in heaven, that both families might serve Him and rule on His behalf.*
 - Ephesians 3:14-15
 - Luke 3:38
 - Acts 17:27-29
 - Job 38:4-7 (ESV)
 - Psalm 89:5-7 (ESV)
 - Job 1:6 (ESV)
 - Genesis 6:1-2
 - Daniel 4:17 (ESV)
 - 1 Kings 22:19-22
 - Revelation 4:2-4
- *But there was a rebellion, first in God's heavenly family, then in God's earthly family—thus both families were broken and failed to serve and rule as intended.*
 - Genesis 3:4-5, 22-24 (NET)
 - Ezekiel 28:11-19
 - Isaiah 14:12-15
 - Deuteronomy 32:8-9, 15-18 (ESV)
- *Thus, the story of God's work in the Old Testament involves a conflict between God and the fallen powers, as well as God's people and the fallen powers.*
 - Psalm 82 (ESV)
 - 2 Kings 3:26-27 (ESV)
 - Daniel 10:12-14, 20-21

II. The War in _____

- *Christ came to bring God's Kingdom and Rule, and thus to oppose and defeat Satan and the fallen powers.*
 - Luke 11:17-20
 - John 12:31
 - 1 John 3:8
 - Hebrews 2:14
 - Colossians 2:13-15
 - Colossians 1:13-14

III. The War of _____

- *While Christ has already defeated Satan, there is a not-yet element to our situation because the final victory has not been implemented yet. So now we fight!*
 - Revelation 12:7-9, 17
 - Ephesians 6:10-13
 - Acts 16:16-18
 - Acts 26:15-18
 - 1 Peter 5:8-9

IV. The War That _____

- *Though we fight now, we do so knowing with certainty that one day the war will be won—Christ will return and defeat Satan.*
 - Revelation 20:10
 - Matthew 25:34, 41
 - Matthew 8:29
- *Because of our union with Christ, we will actually share and participate in Christ's victory over the fallen powers.*
 - 1 Corinthians 6:2-3
 - Romans 16:20
 - 2 Timothy 2:11-12
 - Revelation 2:26-28

The Bottom Line

_____ is _____: So Take _____

...by really _____ is _____.

...by _____ the _____.

...by being _____ against _____.

...by _____ you have been given.

...by _____ as a good _____.