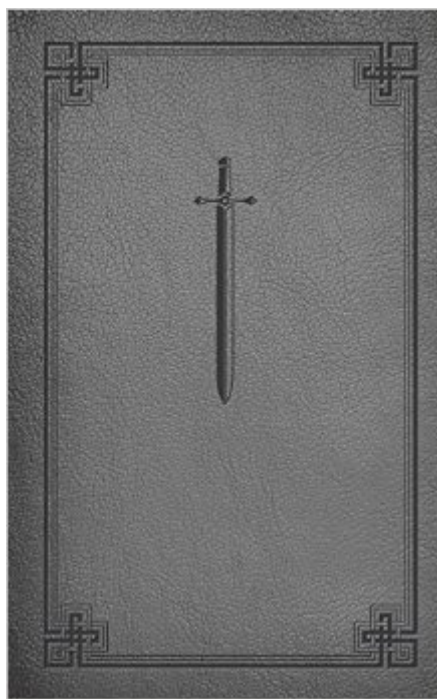


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Manual For Spiritual Warfare



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A fierce war rages for your soul. Are you ready for battle? Like it or not, you are at war. You face a powerful enemy out to destroy you. You live on the battlefield, so you can't escape the conflict. It's a spiritual war with crucial consequences in your everyday life and its outcome will determine your eternal destiny. You must engage the Enemy. And as you fight, you need a Manual for Spiritual Warfare. This guide for spiritual warriors will help you recognize, resist, and overcome the Devil's attacks. Part One, "Preparing for Battle," answers these critical questions: - Who is Satan, and what powers does he have? - What are his typical strategies? - Who fights him alongside us in battle? - What spiritual weapons and armor do we possess? - How do we keep the Enemy out of our camp? Part Two, "Aids in Battle," provides you these essential resources: - Teaching about spiritual warfare from Scripture and Church documents - Scripture verses for battle - Wisdom and inspiration from saints who fought Satan - Prayers for protection, deliverance, and victory - Rosary meditations, hymns, and other devotions for spiritual combat St. Paul urges us to "fight the good fight of the faith" (1 Tim 6:12). Take this Manual for Spiritual Warfare with you into battle. Charcoal Grey, Premium UltraSoft, rounded corners, embossed cover, silver foil, black ribbons, silver edges, and red accented interior.

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As the introduction spells out: "Sacred Scripture speaks of our ongoing battles with the world, the flesh, and the Devil (see Jas 4:1-7). This book focuses on our struggle with the last of those three adversaries. He gives his reasons for concentrating on this aspect based on disbelief in

Satan's existence, lack of knowledge regarding resources available, and that even our struggles with the flesh and the world can be influenced by the Devil's interference. This is a book of considerable balance and prudence. There are plenty of caveats for a book of this type and Paul Thigpen takes care to make all the proper distinctions. One of the important distinction is regarding aspects that are reserved for the priestly role and what the laity is able to do. These distinctions are reinforced throughout the book. This manual avoids the Saturday Night Live's Church Lady cry of "Could it be SATAN?" while specifying the reality of spiritual warfare and demonic influence. The first part of the book is a primer on the scriptural and theological aspects of spiritual warfare. The reality and urgency of what are response should be is spelled out as we really do have a mortal enemy who wants to seek our destruction. While we are alive there can never be a ceasefire regarding spiritual warfare and spiritual pacifism is just surrender of our soul. I really enjoyed this whole section of the book as it lays out the theology reinforced with a solid bedrock of scriptural references. The second part of the book broken up into multiple sections providing the tools and the weapons for spiritual warfare. + Church teaching about spiritual warfare from Catechisms, Councils, and Papal documents.

At the moment so much of Catholic Christendom in the West is stuck with The Church of Rainbows and Sunshine... the Politically Correct approach that I have dubbed, "Careful Catholicism" ~ riding on the fence so as not to offend anyone or make any kind of strong straight-forward statements. With the result that while we Catholics in the West are well versed in "social justice" most of us basically know squat about spiritual warfare and the battles we are fighting without even realizing it. So books like these are proving to be invaluable ~ if you can, spread the word and get more Catholics involved. And there is something important that I must share from personal mistakes made in this spiritual warfare: No offense, but please avoid non-Catholic spiritual warfare methods. This is because, as per a good Priest-friend of ours, we do not have the personal authority to "decree and declare" against Satan and his demons. Father tried to explain it in easy terms for my thick head and what I can repeat is that demons are very legalistic and if you start personally ordering them around you can get yourself and your family into serious danger. I myself was doing exactly that with several different books by Cindy Trimm and Beth Moore and the like. While these books are VERY informative, with Cindy Trimm's books being the best I've ever found information-wise (so detailed and practical and they really teach you what spiritual warfare is all about and what happens when we pray etc), the actual methods of how we "fight back" have subtle flaws that end up being very dangerous for us as individuals.

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