

The Christian's Situational Awareness

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Situational Awareness:

- **Perception** - *giving strict attention to observe*
- **Comprehension** - *understanding the meaning of what is happening behind the circumstance(s)*
- **Projection** - *to know in advance what will happen if this continues*

2 Corinthians 2:10-11 ESV

10 Anyone whom you forgive, I also forgive. Indeed, what I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, has been for your sake in the presence of Christ,

11 so that we would not be outwitted (*pleonekteō* - *get an advantage, make a gain*) by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs (*noēma* - *mind, device, thought*).

1 Peter 5:8 ESV

8 Be sober-minded; be watchful (*grēgoreō* - *be vigilant, watch, be cautious, give strict attention to, be awake*). **Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.**

Genesis 4:6-7 NASB

6 Then the LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry? And why has your countenance fallen?"

7 "If you do well, will not your countenance be lifted up? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door; and its desire is for you, but you must master it."

Satan's Strategy - Wear Down the Saints

Daniel 7:23-25 ESV

23 "Thus he said: 'As for the fourth beast, there shall be a fourth kingdom on earth, which shall be different from all the kingdoms, and it shall devour the whole earth, and trample it down, and break it to pieces.

24 As for the ten horns, out of this kingdom ten kings shall arise, and another shall arise after them; he shall be different from the former ones, and shall put down three kings.

25 He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out (*bēla'* - *Aramaic, wear away, harass constantly, wear out*) the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.

Daniel 12:4 ESV

4 But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase."

Ephesians 6:12 ESV

12 For we do not wrestle (*palē* - *wrestling*) against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Galatians 6:9 ESV

9 **And let us not grow weary** (*egkakeō - lose courage, be discouraged, faint, lose heart, to be weary*) **of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up** (*eklyō - dissolve, weaken, exhaust, tired out, grow weary*).

Hebrews 3:14-18 ESV

14 For **we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end.**

15 As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion."

16 For **who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses?**

17 And **with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness?**

18 And to whom did **he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient?**

Isaiah 40:27-31 ESV

27 Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"?

28 Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

29 He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

30 Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;

31 but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.

Ephesians 6:10-13 ESV

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able (*dynamai - to be capable, strong, powerful*) to stand (*histēmi - to make firm, fix, establish, uphold, sustain*) against the schemes (*methodeia - cunning arts, deceit, craft, trickery, wile, lie in wait*) of the devil.

12 For we do not wrestle (*palē - wrestling*) against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.

Ephesians 3:14-21 ESV

14 For this reason I bow my knees before the Father,

15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named,

16 that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being,

17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith--that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth,

19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

20 Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us,

21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

2 Corinthians 11:23-27 ESV

23 Are they servants of Christ? I am a better one--I am talking like a madman--with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death.

24 Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one.

25 Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea;

26 on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers;

27 in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure.

2 Corinthians 4:7-11 ESV

7 But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair;

9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;

10 always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

11 For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

2 Corinthians 4:16 ESV

16 So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day.