## Battle Plan, Week 11 May 30, 2020

We are engaged in a struggle for the heart and soul of our nation. Our awareness was focused upon an invisible adversary, a virus originating in Wuhan, China. It is becoming increasingly apparent that our struggle is with a much more powerful invisible adversary. The Church and our prayers are essential to overcoming in this season. Politicians and health care workers have important roles to play. However, the Church is at the center of conflict. Our awareness and determination to follow through will determine the outcomes of the next weeks and months.

Psalm 121:1-3 (NIV)

- <sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the hills-- where does my help come from?
- <sup>2</sup> My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.
- <sup>3</sup> He will not let your foot slip-- he who watches over you will not slumber;

## **Morning Prayer** (adopted from Ephesians 3:14-21 (NIV) )

For this reason we kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. We pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen us with power through his Spirit in our inner being, so that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith. And we pray that, being rooted and established in love, we may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge--that we may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

## **Mid-Day Prayer** (adopted from Philippians 1:9-11 (NIV) )

Heavenly Father,

This is our prayer, that our love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that we may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ--to the glory and praise of God. amen.

## **Evening Prayer** (adopted from Ephesians 1:15-21 (NIV) )

Heavenly Father,

We keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give us the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that we may know him better. I pray also that the eyes of our hearts may be enlightened in order that we may know the hope to which he has called us, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, <sup>19</sup> and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That

power is like the working of his mighty strength, <sup>20</sup> which he exerted in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every title that can be given, not only in the present age but also in the one to come. Amen.

This Week's Reading Assignment: Galatians, Ephesians, Philippians