

Prepare for a Battle!

When a football team is threatening to score, do their opponents ignore it? No! They dig in and fight tooth and nail to stop the other team from getting across the goal line.

Satan hates holiness. As a matter of fact, if you are a Christ-Follower he hates you. He especially hates your interest in spiritual fitness training. Satan wants to prevent you from experiencing holiness and will oppose you, your family and use people and circumstances in your life to discourage and defeat you. He will stop at nothing. He will send his evil teammates to make sure you never become Christlike. Satan roams around like a roaring lion seeking to devour men who will impact the Kingdom of God.

"Where have you come from?" the LORD asked Satan. And Satan answered the LORD, "I have been going back and forth across the earth, watching everything that's going on."
Job 1:7 - NLT

Count the Cost—Pay the Price

"And you cannot be my disciple if you do not carry your own cross and follow me. But don't begin until you count the cost."
Luke 14:27-28 - NLT

Athletes pay a price as they pursue greatness. Players make their mark on the gridiron not because they showed up on game day, but because they counted the cost and willingly chose – through blood, sweat and tears – to endure. NFL athletes who play on Sundays pay a price, just as it will cost you to become a true disciple of Jesus Christ.

When you determine to follow Christ in a wholehearted way, scripture promises that you will be persecuted. Not "may", but "will". However, we have another promise: God will give victory in the end.

You know how much persecution and suffering I have endured. You know all about how I was persecuted in Antioch, Iconium, and Lystra -- but the Lord delivered me from all of it.

2 Timothy 3:11 - NLT

The Perfect Plan—The Power of Prayer

Since Jesus paid the price in full, you must be prepared to endure the trials and temptations that will oppose you during the next 10 weeks. Be prepared for battle -- at home, at work, and in your ministry. When you choose to pursue Christlike character, you will meet serious resistance from the prince of this World (Satan), not to mention your sin nature and the World. This is a crucial battle, a battle for your soul, so you must have a team helping you cross the goal line.

There is one urgent requirement you must do prior to beginning the BattleZONE Training Course:

Recruit a team of people to faithfully pray and intercede for you daily

He will rescue us because you are helping by praying for us. As a result, many will give thanks to God because so many people's prayers for our safety have been answered.

2 Corinthians 1:11 - NLT

List at least three people below and/or a prayer team at your local church you will contact asking them to pray for you throughout the BattleZONE Training Course. Ask your wife, mom, or pastor to find your prayer team if you know you won't do it yourself. For a Microsoft Word Template, please email info@battlezoneministries.org and put "Prayer Team Recruitment Letter" in the "Re:" line of the email. See letter on the back of this page.

THIS IS A MUST! DO NOT TAKE THIS STEP LIGHTLY! JUST DO IT!

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