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For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities,
against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against
spiritual wickedness in high places.

Ephesians 6:12

Palē - Pā'-lā

Wrestling - a contest between two in which each endeavors to throw the other, and which is decided when the victor is able to hold his opponent down with his hand upon his neck (*Strong's Concordance*)

For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to
the pulling down of strong holds . . .

2 Corinthians 10:4

The Showdown in the Jungle

The Bag of Witchcraft

the rat tail, the monkey teeth, the fish bone, the bat wing, the rotten berries, and the tree bark

And having spoiled (disarmed) principalities and powers, he (Jesus) made
a show of them (exposed them to disgrace) openly (frankly, freely, and
fearlessly), triumphing over them in it.

Colossians 2:15

How Do We Deal with Satan?

We throw him down to the mat with the Christ nature intact

and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and **despise authority**. They are presumptuous, self-willed. **They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries**, whereas angels, who are greater in power and might, do not bring a reviling accusation against them before the Lord.

2 Peter 2:10-11

Likewise also these dreamers defile the flesh, **reject authority**, and **speak evil of dignitaries**. Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!" But these speak evil of whatever they do not know; and whatever they know naturally, like brute beasts, in these things they corrupt themselves.

Jude 1:8-10

What Does it Look Like?

- as David sneaking into the camp of Saul
- as Jesus facing off with him in the wilderness
- as Jesus at the Cross
- with the Noblesse Oblige of Heaven

As a good and noble king

composed, wise, respectful, honorable, slow to anger, but deeply passionate about justice

Not as a proud, bloodthirsty despot

arrogant, harsh, demeaning, disrespectful, abusive, railing, and derisive

Choosing Your Kingdom

The Railer or the Rescuer? The Harsh or the Humble? The Abusive or the truly Just?

The Howler Monkeys

Widely considered the loudest creature on earth, able to be heard clearly from 3 miles away, even through dense forest. A “surly” animal - “grave and solemn” in its manner and expressions. It makes its piercing howls at dawn, dusk, and interspersed throughout the day.

The Missionary to Irian Jaya (Papua New Guinea)

Does Anyone Dare Cross the Snake?

Defying the Howler

Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

James 4:7b

Neither give place to the devil.

Ephesians 4:27

Put on the whole armor of God, **that ye may be able to stand against** the wiles of the devil.

Ephesians 6:11

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: **Whom resist sted-**

fast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.

1 Peter 5:8-9

And they overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Revelation 12:11

The Boys in the Car

The Sheep Brigade

The Unstoppable Military Force of Dumb Woolly Creatures

Super-conquering

they are "more than conquerors" (Romans 8:37)

Bequeathed All Power and Authority

seated, in Christ Jesus, in the heavenly position of power and authority (Ephesians 2:6)

given power over all the power of the enemy (Luke 10:19)

to tread upon their high places (Deuteronomy 33:29)

Immovable and Invincible

able to repel all the fiery darts of the enemy (Ephesians 6:16)

able to tread on lions, adders, serpents, scorpions, and dragons (Psalm 91; Luke 10:19)

able to drink poison and be unharmed (Mark 16:18)

A thousand shall fall at their side, and ten thousand at their right hand;

but it shall not come near them (Psalm 91: 7)

There shall not an hair of their head perish (Luke 21:18)

Jesus gives unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of His hand. (John 10:28)

Nothing shall in any wise hurt them (Luke 10:19)

Fearless

The LORD is their light and their salvation; so whom shall they fear?

the LORD is the strength of their life; so, of whom shall they be afraid? (Psalm 27:1)

Though a host should encamp against them, their heart shall not fear:

though war should rise against them, they remain confident in their God. (Psalm 27:3)

Because God will never leave them or forsake them (Hebrews 13:5)

and He ever lives to make intercession for them (Hebrews 7:25)

God is their refuge and strength, a very present help in their trouble.

Therefore, they will not fear, though the earth be removed,

and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea (Psalm 46:1-2)

And no weapon that is formed against them shall prosper; and every tongue

that shall rise against them in judgment God shall condemn. (Isaiah 54:17)

Unstoppable

The LORD is with them as a mighty terrible one (Jeremiah 20:11)

The gates of hell shall not prevail against them. (Matthew 16:18)

whatsoever they shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever they shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. (Matthew 16:19)

and there is no restraint to the LORD to save by many or by few (1 Samuel 14:6)

greater is he that is in them, than he that is in the world. (1 John 4:4)

Since God is for them, who can be against them? (Romans 8:31)

The “In” That Empowers

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Off with the Old and On with the New

For **in Him** dwells all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And you are complete **in Him**, which is the head of all principality and power: **In whom** also you are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, **in putting off** the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: **Buried with him** in baptism, wherein also you are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses.

Colossians 2:9-13

That ye **put off** concerning the former conversation **the old man**, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts . . .

Ephesians 4:22

Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have **put off the old man** with his deeds . . .

Colossians 3:9

For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ **have put on Christ**.

Galatians 3:27

But **put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof.

Romans 13:14

I will greatly rejoice **in the LORD**, My soul shall be joyful **in my God**; For **He has clothed me** with the garments of salvation, **He has covered me** with the robe of righteousness . . .

Isaiah 61:10a

Exploring the Meaning of “In”

The Hebrew Mystery כ

The Alpha-Numeric Alphabet

The Second

Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

Hebrews 10:9

For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:22

Beit



Tent, House, In

Beit

The four dimensions to the word

1. The Second
2. Tent, House, In

The Spelling



The Meaning

surname, the family from which you come

1. The Second
2. Tent, House, In
3. In the Cross Work - Bearing the Mark
4. The New Birth into the Generations of Jesus Christ

What Does the Bible Say about This?

- In Christ
- In Whom
- In Him
- In the Lord
- In God
- In the Holy One of Israel

- In His Name
- In the Name
- In the Spirit
- In Me
- In My love
- In His love

To Baptize

To permanently immerse, to place inside, to put in for the purpose of permanent change and not temporal covering

Baptō - Bǎ'p-tō

to dip, to dip in, to temporarily immerse

Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped baptōed it." And having dipped embaptōed the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon.

John 13:26

Baptizō - Bǎp-tē'-zō

to dip in and keep in, to immerse and not remove

Baptizô

This word should not be confused with baptô (G911). The clearest example that shows the meaning of baptizô is a text from the Greek poet and physician Nicander, who lived about 200 B.C. It is a recipe for making pickles and is helpful because it uses both words. Nicander says that in order to make a pickle, the vegetable should first be 'dipped' (baptô) into boiling water and then 'baptised' (baptizô) in the vinegar solution. Both verbs concern the immersing of vegetables in a solution. But the first is temporary. The second, the act of baptizing the vegetable, produces a permanent change.

Strong's Concordance

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I came to send fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled!

But **I have a baptism to be baptized with**, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished!

Luke 12:49-50

Christ's Baptism

- He took on my death. He entered into its separation.
- He took on my shame. He received my full wage for sin.
- He took on my curse. He hung despised on a tree reserved for the most despicable in Israel.
- He took on my sorrows. He entered into the Holy displeasure and punishment of a righteous and just God.
- He took on my sufferings. He entered into the ravages of a sin-riddled world.
- He took on my Adam-position. He entered into my human state, my lowly place of condemnation.
- He took on my poverty. He entered into my earthly wanderings, calling my home His very own.
- He took on my grave. He entered into my just and appropriate earthly end.

The Baptism Exchange

- He took on my death that I may take on His sonship

- He took on my shame that I may take on His favor and bear His glory
- He took on my sorrows that I may take on His joy
- He took on my sufferings that I may take on His comfort
- He took on my Adam-position that I may take on His Kingly-position
- He took on my poverty that I may take on His inheritance

Baptized into His Baptism

Or do you not know that as many of us as were **baptized into Christ Jesus** were **baptized into His death**? Therefore we were buried with Him **through baptism into death**, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin.

Romans 6:3-6

Baptized into His Position

He was baptized into my position, that I might put on His position

But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, **and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus**, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us **in Christ Jesus**. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it

is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created **in Christ Jesus** for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:4-10

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- He took on my poverty that I may take on His inheritance
- And, even now, He takes on my Body and wears it as His own, and I take on His Body and am seated in Heavenly Places, at the right hand of the Father, in the Person of Christ

Physically, I am here

But spiritually, I am there IN Him

Physically, He is there

But spiritually, He is here IN me

The Mystery Hidden for Ages and Generations

... The mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints: To whom God would make known

what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you**, the hope of glory:

Colossians 1:26-27

By this we know that we abide **in Him**, and **He in us**, because **He has given us of His Spirit**.

1 John 4:13

Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree"), that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles **in Christ Jesus**, that we might receive **the promise of the Spirit** through faith.

Galatians 3:13-14

In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; **in whom** also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.

Ephesians 1:13

Combatting the Howlers

- Over the Individual Body
- Over the Christian Marriage
- Over the Christian Home
- Over the Church

- Over those Deaf to the Truth of Jesus Christ

IN the Name of Jesus

And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt **bind** on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt **loose** on earth shall be loosed in heaven . . . Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall **bind** on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall **loose** on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Matthew 16:19; 18:18

Bind (deō)

to fasten, to tie, to lock in chains, to forbid, to prohibit (to arrest the enemy's plans)

Loose (lyō)

unfasten, untie, to break up that which is compacted, to dissolve, to dismiss, to do away with (to destroy the enemy's long-held strongholds)

Reckoning the Position of the Church

Eight R's that Change Everything

1. to **R**esist (Repel)
2. to **R**uin
3. to **R**enounce (Retract)
4. to **R**assle

5. to **R**equest (Receive)
6. to **R**esolve
7. to **R**ejoice
8. to **R**emember (Repent and Return)

Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil . . . **Praying always** with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit . . .

Ephesians 6:11,18