

Jesus Is God

the Spirit

Sword of “Speak the Word, pray with power, and stand unstoppable!”

Ephesians 6:17 (NLT) - Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Greek for ‘Word’ there is: *rēma* the spoken Word of God that gives direction and life. It can also be the spoken Word of God that is personally applied to a specific situation (a declaration of one’s mind made in words)

John 8:44 (NIV) - Speaking of the devil say - when he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

The enemy wants you to believe his lies and pervert the truth.
He knows the power of God’s Word and doesn’t want you to spend time in it.
He wants you to have “your truth” or “a truth” but not God’s Truth.

I. The Sword is God’s Word – Our Weapon of Truth

Hebrews 4:12 (NLT)

2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NLT) - ¹⁶All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. ¹⁷God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work.

God’s Word is Reliable and True, Eternal and Unchanging

Proverbs 30:5 (NLT) - Every word of God proves true. He is a shield to all who come to him for protection.

Matthew 24:35 (NLT) - Heaven and earth will disappear, but my words will never disappear.

Isaiah 40:8 (NLT) - *The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the word of our God stands forever.*” **II. The**

Sword Must Be Used – Not Just Carried

Matthew 4:1-11

Jesus modeled Speaking the Word with “It is written”

The Sword Must Be Sharpened

James 1:22-24 (NLT); **2 Timothy**; **John 8:31-32 (NLT)**

“Victory isn’t something we fight for; it’s where we fight from”

Jesus conquered sin and death on the cross when He said in John 19:30 “It is

finished” **III. Praying with Power – Gives Strength for the Battle**

Ephesians 6:18 (NLT); **Philippians 4:6-7 (NLT)**

Prayer is the breath of the believer; it empowers us to wield the Sword

effectively. **Next Steps:**

Identify Key Scriptures – Choose 3-5 Bible verses that align with your current season or challenges. Write them down, memorize them, and declare them daily.

Create a Prayer Plan – Set aside dedicated time each day to pray with boldness and faith. Use scripture-based prayers to align with God’s promises.

Build Routine – Establish daily habits like reading the Word, journaling prayers, and speaking affirmations of faith over yourself and others.

Surround Yourself – Connect to a group or accountability partner who can encourage you to keep speaking the Word and standing firm.

Sword of the Spirit Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for equipping me with the Sword of the Spirit, Your living and powerful Word. Help me to know it, speak it, and stand on it in every battle. Let Your truth be my defense against temptation, my strength in weakness, and my victory over the enemy. Teach me to pray at all times in the Spirit, staying connected to You in every moment. Fill me with Your presence, guide my prayers, and

intercede through me. Keep me alert, steadfast, and faithful in lifting up others before You. Lord, let Your Word and Spirit work in me, empowering me to walk in boldness, wisdom, and unwavering faith. In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.



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