

Daily Devotion For April 21, 2022

“For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.” Ephesians 6:12.

Watching the news yesterday they were talking about the new assault of Russian troops in the Donbas region of Ukraine and the area surrounding Mariupol. Each and every day since the beginning of the war, Russia has been seeking to take up more and more territory.

Through a message I was listening to yesterday, I was reminded that the battle ground is not just in Ukraine but it is everywhere. Just as Russia is seeking to gain more and more territory, so is our enemy the Devil.

Therefore, as Christians we need to remember that God has not called us to a playground but to a battle ground. A battle ground where each and every day our Adversary the Devil is trying to gain more and more territory for his kingdom.

Though we may not see it, above us right now there is a spiritual battle taking place for the hearts and minds of all people in all places. The devil is seeking to attack Christian and non-Christians to do his will, and sadly to say, often times it seems like Satan is winning.

Thought For Today: Do you recognize today that you are in a battle, a spiritual battle and that Satan is seeking to destroy and devour you? (I Peter 5:8). Put on the armor God has given to us in Ephesians 6:10-18.

Today's Prayer Focus: Pray that the Lord will bind the work of the enemy over you and El Estero Presbyterian Church. Please pray for Tomi Tanaka's sister, Aiko, who was bit by a dog and had a bad allergic reaction to the shot she received. Aiko has blisters all over her body and is in great discomfort. She has been in the hospital the past 4 days. Deo Volente.