

**Introduction:** God will provide everything we need in Christ. **Philippians 4:19**; This includes victory in this battle (that will only get uglier). Strength in weakness. Joy in sorrow. Peace of mind during turmoil. But these provisions are only for those in Christ. **Romans 13:14**  
Someone can talk big and strut around bold and confident as though they have it all together...but if they are not in Christ... They are in big trouble! We all have to face our Weaknesses and limitations. We are human, very much in need of help at times. And there is no one better at helping than God!

**Text:** Philippians 4:19; Romans 13:14; Matthew 24:12; Revelation 3:15-17; 2 Thessalonians 2:3; Luke 18:7-8; Psalm 89:6-7;

## Outline:

### I. God Has Warned Us.

#### A. **Matt. 24:12** -

**Concerning the Love of Most growing cold.** \* "The troubles and persecutions that shall beset believers, the spirit of worldliness and self-seeking that a weakened & timid faith encourages, will issue an ever loosening dependence upon God and trust in His providential care; and internal dissensions will destroy that brotherly love which ought to be characteristic of Christians. Of this lack of energetic love the Lord speaks His warnings to the Church of Laodicea (Revelation 3:16), "Because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth."

#### **Rev. 3:15-17** -

**Concerning our being "lukewarm".** God obviously can't stand it when people have deceived themselves. But this is certainly a problem today. People would rather believe a lie than believe the truth. And the truth is that even though we have more technology than ever! Even though we have more Christian literature than ever! Even though we have more modern day comforts than ever! We are weak, miserable, poor, blind, and naked.

#### **2 Thess. 2:3** -

**Concerning the "falling way" or apostasy.** That is what an apostasy is: a rebellion, an abandonment of the truth. The end times will include a wholesale rejection of God's revelation, a further "falling away" of an already fallen world.

#### **Luke 18:7-8**

**Concerning "will I find faith on the earth".** The question is whether believers will remain faithful through the trials that will precede the coming of the Son of Man.

**B. We must take our Spirituality serious! The devil is going to do everything in his power to weaken you! And He knows your**

\*pulpit commentary Matthew 24:12 (Love of most grow cold)

weaknesses!

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## II. Puny When Thought Strong!

### A. Satan is Puny! Psalm 89:6-7

- God is much stronger than the devil! The best Satan can do is use your weaknesses against you. And don't get me wrong, this can be very effective. But we must take authority in Christ. Put on the Lord Jesus! Let your faith transform into Christ's faith! Let your words transform into God's word! Let your mind transform into Christ's mind!

- WE are no match for Satan on our own...but as we know the word, pray, lead, and have old time Fire with a New time desire... we can call on the Power of the Holy Spirit to fight for us!

**B. You and I are Strong in Christ! 1 Samuel 17: 32-37; vs. 37** David had lived for the Lord long enough that he knew that God was faithful and strong! He had come through for him before! And had confidence God would come through for him again! **41-43-47** (NLT)

- Jesus sent us with the same ammunition that God the Father sent Him with! We were not sent with half the anointing! Or half the authority! Or half the power! NO! **John 17:18; John 20:21** (NLT)

- **2 Corinthians 12:9-10** Paul realized that when he is aware of his weaknesses, that is when he must rely on the Lord's strength to fight for him and help him become strong in Christ! Press into God's strength, when you are feeling weak! Press into God's power when you feel puny! God guarantees us that He will transform our lack into His Fully Complete!