## Implications of Total Warfare Skip Gray

I. Introduction.

- A. Satan declared war against God, and he is still at war against God. (Isaiah 14)
- B. Christians are involved in this total warfare.

C. Most believers do not comprehend that they are part of the battle.

D. God has blessed all true Christians with every true blessing in heavenly places. (Ephesians 6; 1)

II. Jesus Christ is in the position of authority over every spiritual power at this moment.

A. This is important because...

1. Evil spirits attempt to bring confusion. It is important that we get the mind right.

2. However, when we sin we are convicted by the Holy Spirit and the Spirit brings hope.

- 3. Satan accuses us before the Father
- 4. Nevertheless, Jesus intercedes. (Revelation 10, I John 2:1-2, Hebrews 7:25)

III. We are seated with Christ in heavenly places.

A. We have no power in ourselves against these powers, but we can tell the powers to cease. The key is to surrender to God and resist Satan. (James 4:7, Ephesians 4)

1. The command: resist.

2. The promises: the devil will flee.

B. The answer to the attacks of Satan is the blessings of God in heavenly places. (Ephesians 1:3)

C. Suffering plays a vital part of the Christian life and God allows it.

D. There can be deliverance if we resist, not because we possess power, but because we possess a higher authority. (Mark 9, II Corinthians 2:14)

IV. Conclusion. Jesus is sufficient.

## **Application questions:**

1. Do we have power to defeat Satan? Explain.

2. Should we expect the devil to flee for the last time once we resist?

3. From which areas could you use liberty? How can you apply the truth of this message to some of these areas today? Explain.