



“There Will Be Blood!”
“Built for Battle Part Three!”

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Sermon Notes

#1: Conflict requires war.

Revelation 12:7-10 (New International Version)

7And there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. **8**But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven. **9**The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

10Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say:

"Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God,
and the authority of his Christ.

For the accuser of our brothers,
who accuses them before our God day and night,
has been hurled down.

#2: War demands blood.

Hebrews 9:22 (New International Version)

22In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

#3: Blood is the means to Overcome.

1 Peter 5:10 (New International Version)

10And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast.

Revelation 12:11 (New International Version)

11They overcame him
by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony;
they did not love their lives so much
as to shrink from death.

Conclusion

Revelation 12:13-17 (New International Version)

13When the dragon saw that he had been hurled to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. **14**The woman was given the two wings of a great eagle, so that she might fly to the place prepared for her in the desert, where she would be taken care of for a time, times and half a time, out of the serpent's reach. **15**Then from his mouth the serpent spewed water like a river, to overtake the woman and sweep her away with the torrent. **16**But the earth helped the woman by opening its mouth and swallowing the river that the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. **17**Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to make war against the rest of her offspring—those who obey God's commandments and hold to the testimony of Jesus.

- 1. Understanding conflict requires war...**
- 2. That war requires my blood...**
- 3. ..And no matter where I go or what I do, to be free I must be prepared for war ready to shed my blood because conflict is the means to the life I was created for!**

The Challenge: Stop playing “not to lose” and “play to win!” Write a list of some things you want to do but were to afraid to try and then begin doing them with all of your heart.