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Know The Enemy
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“For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.” — Ephesians 6:12 (ESV)

Knowing the enemy is a fundamental part of any battle. During the French and Indian War, George Washington and his men mistakenly got into a firefight with their fellow soldiers, resulting in 13 killed. Army Ranger and former NFL player Pat Tillman was killed by friendly fire in Afghanistan in 2004. Correctly distinguishing friend from foe on the battlefield has always been and remains a challenge.

Paul makes it clear in Ephesians 6 that Christians are in a battle. Who is our enemy? According to verse twelve our enemy is Satan and all of his demonic forces. Who is not our enemy? Paul says that “we do not wrestle against flesh and blood.”

Think about that, there is no human being in your life that is your enemy. None. Our battle is against Satan and his spiritual forces. In a spiritual battle how do we fight? Paul tells us in verse 18, we pray at all times.



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