## Lesson Notes:

## Winning the Battle for Our Homes

The home in America is under all out attack by Satan. By destroying our homes he believes he can lead us into despair destroying our country and our relationship with our Lord Jesus. Following are scriptural Principles for protecting our homes against Satan.

## **Scriptural Principles**

- 1) Our Struggle is Against Satan Ephesians 6:12; 1 Peter 5:7-9 These two passages clearly tell us that our struggle is not against flesh and blood but against Satan who wants to destroy our homes.
- 2) Have Christ as the Foundation of your Home & Marriage Luke 6:47-49; 1 Corinthians 3:9-13 A strong home begins with a home built upon Jesus Christ as the cornerstone of the home.
- 3) Stay committed to your spouse Matthew 5:27-28;2 Timothy 2:22; 1 Corinthians 6:18 Satan's main in road into our family is through sexual impurity. We see this in Hollywood and throughout the media. America's opinion of sexual purity tragically is that it is socially acceptable. This leads to many broken homes and despair and the cycle continues as it becomes acceptable to the children on our society.
- 4) Love must be a Cornerstone of the home Ephesians 5:25-29 We are to completely and fully love our spouse and family greater than we love ourselves.
- 5) Put Spiritual Things above Material Wealth Matthew 6:31-33 We must focus on our spiritual relationship that our family has with Jesus Christ and we must value it greater than the "things of this world".
- 6) Walk in the Light and avoid unfruitful works of Darkness Ephesians 5:8-10 how are you and your family spending your recreational time? Are these wholesome activities that honor and please our Lord?
- 7) Avoid drunkiness Ephesians 5:18-20 How many homes have we seen destroyed by substance abuse? Substance abuse is a major way that Satan is destroying homes and preventing loved ones from have a deep, close relationship with the Lord.
- 8) Encourage Your Children Colossians 3:15-17, 21 Children feel loved when encouraged.

- 9) Show patience in Tribulation Romans 12:12 Children watch to see how we stand up during times of sorrow and tribulation. How strong our faith is will determine the strength of their faith as well.
- **10) Prayer should be a part of the daily family life. Philippians 4:6** God blesses families that pray.