

"Out Of The Spoils Won In Battles did they dedicate to maintain The House of The LORD." 1 Chronicles 26:27 KJV



Veterans bear the scars of battle wounds. Each scar is a vivid memory of suffering. Battles separate men from boys. In ancient times, soldiers took spoils from the conquered; the profit of their labor. Believers are involved in a spiritual conflict of supernatural dimensions. Wounds of life strengthen their Faith and resolve, but like every soldier learns in the fury of battle, their worst enemy is themselves. Self doesn't want to stand and fight. The enemy may inflict wounds in believer's ranks, but never a casualty. Faith's soldier will never die! The spoils of the believer's war are the Fulfilled Promises of Truth

of their deliverances! The field of conflict is the mind. *"We wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."* Fiery darts of doubt and temptation hurled by the enemy cause many wounds; leaving scars to remind that *"the battle is the Lord's! For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal (physical), but mighty Through God to the pulling down of strong holds: Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against The Knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity EVERY THOUGHT to the obedience of Christ (Truth); and having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled. Above all, taking the Shield of Faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench ALL the fiery darts of the wicked."* The faithful are infused with Eternal Power. *"As many as received Him, to them Gave He POWER to become the sons of God; even to them that believe on His Name. Let This Mind be in you Which Was also in Christ, for Greater Is He That Is in you than he that is in the world."* Scars record triumphs; reminding us of Omnipotent Deliverance; enabling us to reassure other soldiers. Men begin human endeavors with vigor, but end in weariness. Not so, for the spiritual veteran whose strength is from God! *"Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee; they go from strength to strength."* They grow stronger with every forward step! There is no battle weariness for the true veteran of Faith, if they obey Truth. *"They that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint!"* Like "Tokyo Rose" of WWII, weariness of the carnal flesh is satanic propaganda broadcast to the soul to weaken spiritual resolve and instead of focusing on Truth, I grow physically faint and weary. I need but remember, *"For me to live is Christ and to die is gain!"*

Out of the spoils of battles won,
Comes peace of mind when day is done,
The scars of yesterday remind,
Our ev'ry strength in Christ we find! –CGP

The spoils of battle in the supernatural arena are victories enabled by our Omnipotent God; dedicated to helping us *"maintain the house of the LORD."* The losses of daily life strengthen us for future battles. Their scars verify, *"In Christ, we are more than conquerors!"* Believers will eternally reign with their Liege and LORD, Jesus Christ!

"And from Jesus Christ, Who Is The Faithful Witness, and the First Begotten of the Dead, and the Prince of the kings of the earth. Unto Him That Loved us, and Washed us from our sins In His Own Blood, And Hath Made us kings and priests unto God and His Father; to Him Be Glory And Dominion For Ever And Ever. Amen. Behold, He Cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see Him, and they also which pierced Him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of Him. Even so, Amen." Revelation 1:5-7 KJV