

CONTEXT

*Every Nation and social civil society possess functions that make that society work. These Functions depend on the **constitution** and body of law that **create a context** for social behavior and relating to the government and other members of that society. There must be a working knowledge of **that context** coupled with a mental Commitment to the live out these ideals.
"Kingdom Principles" by Myles Monroe*

The kingdom of God has a body of work that creates context for us... it's called the Bible.

1 Peter 5:8- Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. (NIV)

Spiritual warfare begins with an awareness...there is a spiritual kingdom ...there is a Spiritual enemy... there is a spiritual objective!! There is a war for the souls of men.

- **Eph. 6-**Instructs us to **fight the good fight of faith... Put on the whole armor of God...**
- **Jude** tells us to **snatch some** right out of the fires of Hell
- **1 Tim. 1** -tells us to **wage a good warfare...**
- **2 Cor. 10** – **the weapons of our warfare are mighty in God...**

1 John 3:8- The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. (NIV)

Jesus gives spiritual authority he purchased at the cross to His church...Saying I give you keys ...my keys...of my kingdom...

- **Binding-** saying no to sin sickness and disease... no to depression not to torment
- **Loosing-** Set people free in the Spirit to be saved delivered and healed

TCC- now the church is commissioned to go everywhere... utilizing this authority

Passion

Matthew 11:12 - From the time of John the Baptizer until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful people have been seizing it. (GW)

- **NKJV-** **Violent** take it by force
- **AMP-**The kingdom is possessed by **ardent** zeal and intense exertion

Kingdom of Gifts

2 Timothy 3:17 – that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work. (NKJV)

- **Put on... the garment of praise** ...create a context for your life
- **Take up... the shield of faith...** Set the tone for warfare
- **Put on... the whole armor of God...** Warrior mindset
- **When you stand praying... forgive....** This is a framework for peace
- **Kindness... leads to repentance...** context how to expose others to Jesus
- **Believers lay their hands on the sick**
- **Clothe yourself with love....** Create a context of the kingdom!!

Passion must come to life- Christianity is meant to be **lived**... not just believed in

Context of the Kingdom is Unity

Ephesians 4:3 – **Keep the unity of the Spirit in the bonds of peace**

- Forgiveness becomes the centerpiece of the table of unity
- Forgiveness creates the context of unity
- Forgiveness ushers in our unity with God... allows the Holy Spirit to reside inside our hearts.

Proverbs 6:14 – But the enemy sows discord among the brethren.

Matthew 18:34 – If we do not forgive we will be turned over to the tormentors.

Ephesians 4:32 – Be compassionate forgiving just as Christ has forgiven you.

Matthew 18:20 – Where two or three are gathered together I am in the midst of that.

Deuteronomy 32:30 – One will put 1000 to flight... two ten thousand

Kingdom is never meant to be **lived alone**... **warfare** is never meant to be **fought alone**.