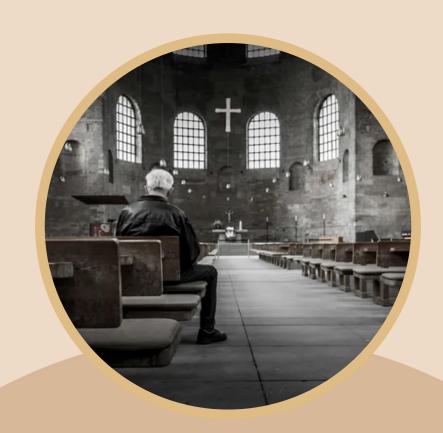
Spiritual Warfare: Breaking Free from Addiction



A 7-day plan using Scripture to fight spiritual oppression behind addiction and compulsive habits.





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Introduction

In the journey of recovery from addiction and compulsive habits, believers often face not just physical or psychological challenges but a profound spiritual battle. **Spiritual warfare** is the struggle against the forces that seek to hold us captive, often manifesting through substance abuse and destructive patterns. This Bible study plan takes you step-by-step into God's Word, unveiling the *armor*, *promises*, *and power* necessary to overcome the grip of addiction.

Each day offers a key Scripture, accompanied by devotional thoughts and practical reflections that help you identify the spiritual roots of addiction and employ biblical truth as a powerful weapon. We recognize that addiction is more than a habit—it can be an oppression by unseen forces serving to separate us from God's best.

But **there is hope**: the Lord provides freedom for the captive, strength for the weak, and victory for those who rely on Him. Through this plan, you will develop a deeper understanding of your identity in Christ, learn to wield the spiritual armor, engage in prayerful resistance, and stand firm on God's promises. Equip yourself each day with Scripture and spiritual disciplines to fight back against the lies and chains of addiction.

Remember: You are not alone. God's power is available to set you free from bondage and transform your life from the inside out. Let His Word be your







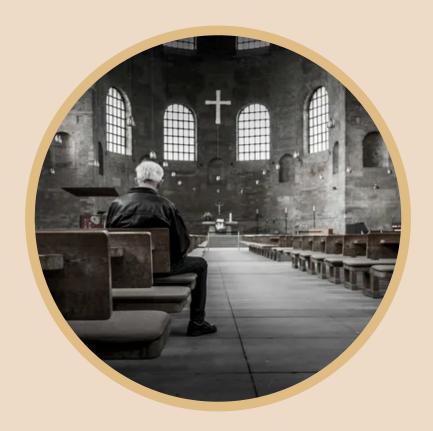
sword and shield as you embark on this seven-day warfare plan to reclaim your freedom.







Day 1: XX Recognizing the Battle Within









Day 1: X Recognizing the Battle Within

Your Verse

Ephesians 6:12 (NIV) – "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

Supporting Scriptures

- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 "For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world."
- James 4:7 "Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."







Day 1: X Recognizing the Battle Within

Devotional: Identifying the Spiritual Enemy Behind Addiction

Before we can break free from addiction, it's vital to understand that the addiction struggle isn't just physical or mental—it's a spiritual battle. **Ephesians 6:12** reminds us that our true opponent is the realm of spiritual darkness. The temptation to turn to substances or compulsions often masks an underlying spiritual oppression aiming to steal your joy and freedom.

Awareness is the first weapon in this warfare. The enemy uses deception, convincing you that escape is only found in unhealthy habits. But God invites you to *resist* and *submit* to Him (James 4:7), acknowledging that victory comes only through relying on His strength.

Realize that your feelings of helplessness or shame are not the end. God's power is greater, and He has given you spiritual weapons to combat these forces. Keep your heart open to the truth that your battle extends beyond what you can see and that victory is available through God's Word and Spirit.







Day 1: 🔀 Recognizing the Battle Within

Reflect and Apply

1.	What patterns in your addiction show signs of spiritual oppression or deception?		
	How does understanding the spiritual nature of your battle change the way you approach recovery?		
3.	In what ways have you tried to fight this battle alone, and how does God's invitation to submit challenge that?		







What fears or doubts do you have about confronting this spiritual warfare?







Day 1: 🔀 Recognizing the Battle Within

Journaling Prompts

Write about a moment when you felt the spiritual battle most intensely in your addiction journey.
List any lies you've believed about yourself or your addiction that could be rooted in spiritual deception.
Describe what submitting to God and resisting the devil looks like for you right now.







Day 1: X Recognizing the Battle Within

Prayer for Today

Lord, help me to see beyond what is visible and recognize the spiritual battle I face. Give me courage to submit fully to You and resist the enemy's lies. Strengthen my spirit to stand firm, knowing that You fight for me. Guide me on this path of freedom, breaking every chain of addiction. In Jesus' name, Amen. 🙏 💸 🕠















Your Verse

Ephesians 6:13 (NIV) – "Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand."

Supporting Scriptures

- Ephesians 6:14 "Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist..."
- Psalm 18:2 "The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge."







Devotional: Armor Up: Equip Yourself for Battle

Spiritual warfare requires preparation. Just as a soldier dons armor before battle, we must put on God's full armor daily to withstand the attacks aimed at us, especially in addiction's battlefield.

Ephesians 6 outlines this armor: truth, righteousness, readiness from the gospel of peace, faith, salvation, and the Word of God. Each piece represents a vital defense against the enemy's lies and temptations.

For those struggling with addiction, truth is especially powerful. The lies that fuel dependency and shame can be countered by embracing God's truth about your identity and worth. The belt of truth tightens and secures your resolve to cling to God's promises rather than the destructive habits.

Remember **Psalm 18:2**, which illustrates God as your fortress and deliverer. When you put on the armor, you aren't relying on your own strength but on God's protection and power to stand firm and refuse to give in to compulsive behaviors.

Commit today to intentionally clothe yourself in God's armor. Pray over each piece and ask God to help you remember to use this armor daily as both defense and weapon.







Reflect and Apply

	Which piece of the armor of God feels most difficult for you to 'put on' and why?
	How can the belt of truth reshape the way you see yourself in your recovery journey?
	When have you experienced God as a fortress or refuge in times of
	weakness?
4.	What practical ways can you remind yourself daily to 'armor up'?







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Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about what it means to you personally to have God as your fortress.
2.	List the pieces of the armor of God and reflect on how each can protect you from addiction's lies.
3.	Journal a prayer asking God to help you put on His full armor daily.







Prayer for Today

Father God, clothe me in Your full armor so I can stand firm against temptation and addiction. Help me to embrace Your truth, righteousness, and faith as my defense. Be my fortress and shield in moments of weakness. Empower me to fight from a place of victory, not defeat. Amen.

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Day 3: \square Using the Sword of the Spirit









Day 3: Vsing the Sword of the Spirit

Your Verse

Hebrews 4:12 (NIV) – "For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword... it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart."

Supporting Scriptures

- Matthew 4:4 "Jesus answered, 'It is written: Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."
- Psalm 119:11 "I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you."







Day 3: Vsing the Sword of the Spirit

Devotional: The Word as Your Weapon of Power

The **sword of the Spirit**, the Word of God, is your offensive weapon in spiritual warfare. Unlike any physical weapon, Scripture penetrates deep into your mind and heart, exposing lies and falsehoods, and bringing healing and conviction.

Hebrews 4:12 describes God's Word as alive and active — not a passive or dull tool. It can cut through the strongholds of addiction, revealing root causes such as shame, fear, or hopelessness.

Jesus modeled spiritual warfare perfectly by countering temptation with Scripture (Matthew 4:4). This example shows us the importance of knowing God's Word intimately and employing it when the enemy attacks.

Hiding Scripture in your heart (Psalm 119:11) prepares you to respond quickly in moments of craving or weakness. Memorize verses that speak of God's freedom, strength, and deliverance. When tempted, replace destructive thoughts with truths from the Bible. Let God's Word be your source of power, renewing your mind and transforming your will.

Today, commit to engage with God's Word daily as a weapon against addiction's lies. Remember, every verse is a step toward freedom and victory.







Day 3: 🔪 Using the Sword of the Spirit

Reflect and Apply

1.	How has Scripture helped you resist temptation in your past experiences?
	What verses do you find most powerful when battling addictive thoughts?
3.	In what ways can memorizing Scripture change your response to cravings?
4.	How can you develop a daily habit of 'arming' yourself with the Word?







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Day 3: \mathbb{N} Using the Sword of the Spirit

Journaling Prompts

1.	Write down favorite Scripture verses that give you strength and comfort.
	Describe a time when God's Word helped you overcome a difficult moment.
	Plan a simple routine for incorporating Scripture memorization or reading into each day.







Day 3: \sqrt{Using the Sword of the Spirit}

Prayer for Today

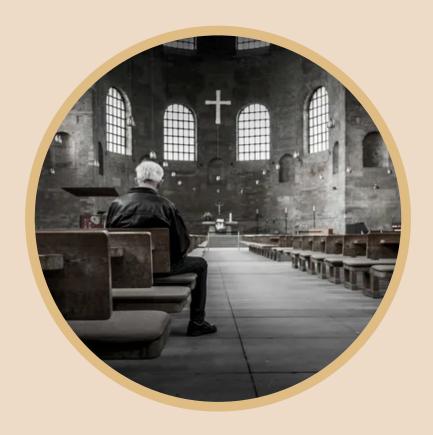
Lord, make Your Word alive in my heart and mind. Teach me to use Scripture as my sword against the lies and temptations trying to enslave me. Help me memorize and meditate on Your promises so I can stand firm. Empower me through Your Word for battle and breakthrough. Amen.

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Your Verse

Psalm 34:18 (NIV) – "The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit."

Supporting Scriptures

- Isaiah 61:1 "The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on me... to bind up the brokenhearted."
- Romans 8:1 "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."







Devotional: God's Healing for Your Broken Heart

Addiction often carries a heavy burden of **shame**—a feeling that can imprison the soul and fuel repeated cycles of bondage. The enemy uses shame to keep you silent and isolated, but God's Word offers a different message.

Psalm 34:18 comforts by assuring us that God Himself is near when our hearts are broken. He is not distant or judgmental but tender and ready to heal. Isaiah 61 speaks of the Spirit's mission "to bind up the brokenhearted," highlighting that your pain is known and cared for.

Romans 8:1 proclaims freedom from condemnation for those in Christ. This means that no matter your past or struggles, God offers a clean slate and a new identity. Shame loses its grip when you embrace God's forgiveness and love.

Allow God to confront your shame, replacing it with grace and restoration. Invite the Holy Spirit to heal wounded parts of your heart that addiction has damaged. Healing may require confession, support, and time, but the battle can be won through God's mercy.

Today, meditate on God's compassion and lean into His lovingkindness to overcome shame's stronghold.







Reflect and Apply

1.	How has shame influenced your addiction and recovery process?
2.	What feelings or thoughts come up when you consider God's nearness in brokenness?
3.	How might embracing God's forgiveness change your self-perception?
4.	What steps can you take to invite God's healing into your pain?













Journaling Prompts

1.	Write a letter to God expressing your feelings of shame and asking for His healing.
2.	Recall a Bible verse that reminds you of God's immense love despite your struggles.
3.	List practical ways you can accept forgiveness and release self-condemnation.







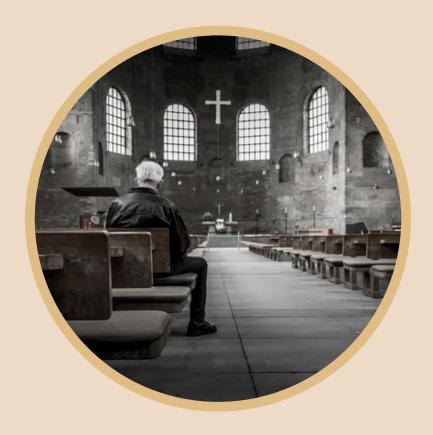
Prayer for Today

Jesus, You know my brokenness and shame. Thank You for drawing near to the crushed in spirit. Help me to accept Your forgiveness and love, breaking the chains of condemnation. Heal my heart and restore my soul. Fill me with hope and courage for the journey ahead. Amen. \heartsuit \bigwedge















Your Verse

Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV) – "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."

Supporting Scriptures

- Mark 11:24 "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."
- 1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins."







Devotional: Declaring Victory Through Prayer

Prayer is a vital front in spiritual warfare, offering direct communication with God and a powerful means to claim His victory over addiction. Philippians 4:6-7 encourages believers to bring every anxiety and struggle to God through prayer and thanksgiving, opening the door for His peace to guard your heart and mind.

Confession is another crucial weapon. 1 John 1:9 promises that when we confess our sins, God is faithful to forgive and cleanse us. Rather than hiding your struggles in shame, confessing allows the enemy's hold to weaken.

Mark 11:24 reminds us of the power of faith-filled prayer. When you pray and believe, you activate God's power, shifting your spiritual atmosphere.

Today, make prayer your battle cry. Combine honest confession with scripture declarations of God's promises over your addiction. Speak His truths aloud. Express gratitude even amid trials. Prayer arms your spirit with peace and power.

Practice consistent, intentional prayer as you fight for freedom and stand on God's promises.







Reflect and Apply

How does prayer help relieve the anxiety associated with addiction cravings?
What challenges do you face in confessing your struggles openly to God or others?
How can you incorporate Scripture into your prayer life for greater spiritual strength?







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Day 5: 🙏 Power of Prayer and Scripture Confession

Journaling Prompts

	Write a prayer confessing your struggles and asking for God's forgiveness.		
	List Scriptures to declare aloud when you face temptation or discouragement.		
3.	Describe how prayer has impacted your recovery so far.		







Day 5: 🙏 Power of Prayer and Scripture Confession

Prayer for Today

Heavenly Father, I bring all my anxieties and struggles to You in prayer.

Thank You for hearing me and offering peace. Help me to confess my sins honestly and claim Your forgiveness. Strengthen my faith to believe in Your power to free me from addiction. Guide my words as I declare Your truth each day. Amen. 🙏 🗀 💬

















Your Verse

Romans 12:2 (NIV) – "Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."

Supporting Scriptures

- Colossians 3:2 "Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things."
- 2 Corinthians 10:5 "We take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ."







Devotional: Transforming Thoughts to Overcome Addiction

Addiction often thrives on automatic thought patterns shaped by the world's values, pleasures, and false promises. Romans 12:2 calls believers to a radical counter-cultural transformation through the **renewing of the mind**.

Renewing the mind involves a daily, intentional focus on Godly truth, rejecting worldly lies, and capturing destructive thoughts to make them obedient to Christ (2 Corinthians 10:5).

By setting your mind on heavenly things (Colossians 3:2), you begin to retrain your brain away from compulsive cravings toward God's eternal purposes. This transformation is gradual—but with persistence, you'll notice new desires, peace, and freedom emerge.

Practical steps include meditating on Scripture, speaking affirmations based on biblical truth, and rejecting guilt or hopelessness. You are not your addiction; you are a new creation in Christ.

Keep pressing forward daily to renew your mindset. This spiritual discipline is key to long-lasting freedom and victory.







Reflect and Apply

	What worldly thought patterns do you need to reject and replace with God's truth?
2.	How have your thoughts influenced your addictive behaviors?
2	In what practical ways can you renew your mind each day?
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	How does understanding your identity in Christ help transform your mindset?







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Journaling Prompts

	Write down common thoughts that trigger your addiction and replace them with Bible truths.
	Describe a daily routine you can develop to focus your mind on spiritual things.
3.	Reflect on how your mind has changed since beginning this study.







Prayer for Today

God, renew my mind daily with Your truth. Help me to resist conforming to worldly patterns and to transform my thoughts to align with Christ. Give me strength to capture every thought and make it obedient to You. Shape my desires for Your glory and my freedom. Amen. **2**

















Your Verse

Galatians 5:1 (NIV) – "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery."

Supporting Scriptures

- John 8:36 "So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."
- 2 Timothy 4:7 "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."







Devotional: Embracing and Maintaining Your Freedom in Christ

The journey through spiritual warfare and addiction recovery leads to the incredible truth found in **Galatians 5:1**: Christ has set you free! Freedom is your inheritance, not a distant hope but a present reality.

Freedom requires that you stand firm and refuse to be enslaved again. Addiction tries to re-impose its yoke, but the power of Christ's resurrection gives you strength to resist and persevere.

Jesus declares in John 8:36 that freedom through Him is complete—no partial victory but full emancipation from slavery to sin.

As Paul testified in 2 Timothy 4:7, life's spiritual fight demands endurance, faith, and focus. Celebrate the battles won and remain vigilant for future attacks. Strengthen your connection to God through ongoing prayer, Scripture, fellowship, and accountability.

Today, declare your freedom boldly. Stand firm knowing you are a new creation, empowered by the Holy Spirit. Let this victory inspire hope and courage to continue walking in liberty every day.







Reflect and Apply

1.	What does freedom in Christ mean to you personally?
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2. I	How can you guard against falling back into old patterns of addiction?
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3.1	What spiritual disciplines will help you stand firm after this study?
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4.]	How will you share your journey of freedom to encourage others?













Journaling Prompts

1.	Write about what freedom feels like after breaking chains of addiction.
2.	List ways to 'stand firm' in your faith daily going forward.
	Compose a declaration of freedom, quoting Scripture, that you can revisit in challenging times.







Prayer for Today

Jesus, thank You for setting me free. Help me to stand firm and not return to chains of addiction. Empower me to fight the good fight and keep the faith. May I live as a testimony of Your liberation and grace. Guide my steps in this new freedom every day. Amen.







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