



# Tried Faith 5

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***James 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.***



- When we get to the place where we can allow God to fight our battles, we are exercising true faith in Him. *Ex. 14:14 The LORD shall fight for you, and ye shall hold your peace.*
- God is pleased when we follow His path of righteousness and not our own way. *Heb. 13:16 But to do good and to communicate forget not: for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.*
- When we handle things according to the Word, we are exhibiting faith in His Word and we will reap the fruits of it. *James 3:18 And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.*

*the Lord will*  
**FIGHT**  
*for you;*  
*you need only*  
**BE STILL.**

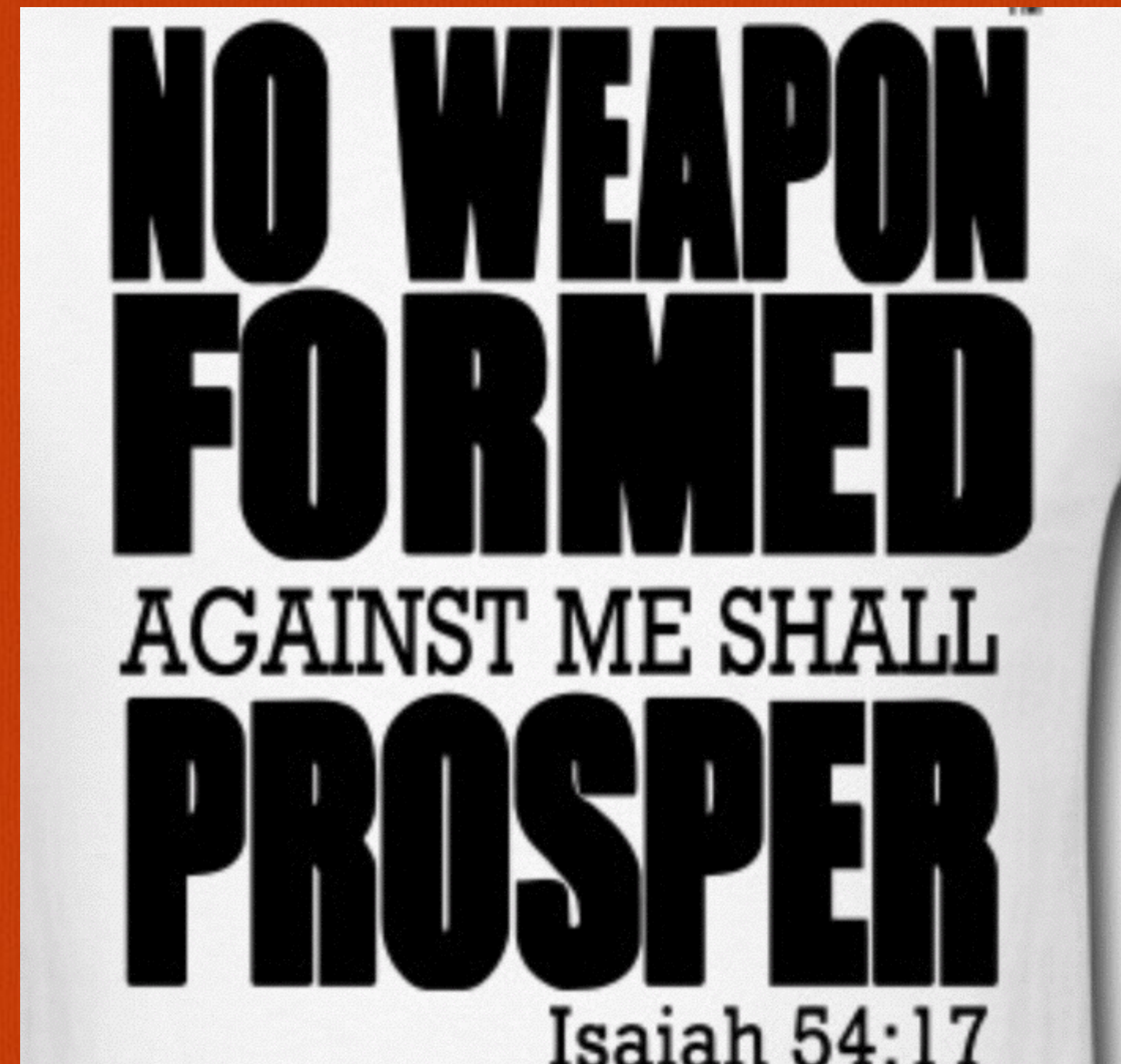




- It takes faith to believe the unseen and this includes issues being settled and conflicts resolved. *Luke 17:6 And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.*
- God's desire is that we pray for our enemies and believe by faith that things will work out, even when it seems hopeless. *Prov. 16:7 When a man's ways please the LORD, he maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.*
- Faith helps us to forgive and move on from our brokenness. When we can trust God and believe that things will improve, they will. *Psa. 34:18 The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.*



- **When we put our trust in God, we do not have to retaliate, worry, or ever defend ourselves because He will avenge us. *Rom. 12:19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.***
- **Faith in knowing that no weapon formed against us will prosper, activates God's protection and relinquishes the issue to Him. *Is. 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.***
- **As long as we do our part and follow God's rules of engagement, He will handle the rest and heal our broken spirits. *Col. 3:13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.***





# SUMMARY



**There will be times when our emotions will attempt to test us and try us. Anger, resentment, and hurt can manifest in our minds and cause us to lose faith and desire to react in the natural, to things that are spiritual. God desires for us to react spiritually to natural conflicts. Sure we must forgive and let go of things naturally, but we must also trust God for vengeance, restitution, and reconciliation spiritually. God can fix what is broken and heal our hearts and minds if we have faith and trust Him for it.**

**Consequently, if we continue to carry hurt and react to conflicts by taking matters into our own hands, we forfeit the fruits of God's spirit and are left to deal with things on our own. This will usually cause further quarreling and bad feelings. We will be permeated with turmoil and mental anguish instead of the fruits of God's Spirit. We must learn to view conflict and strife as tests so that by faith we can allow God to bring resolution. After all, how can we even have faith in Him if we cannot trust Him with our brokenness?**



***Col. 3:12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;***

***Col. 3:13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.***

***Col. 3:14 And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.***

***Col. 3:15 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.***