

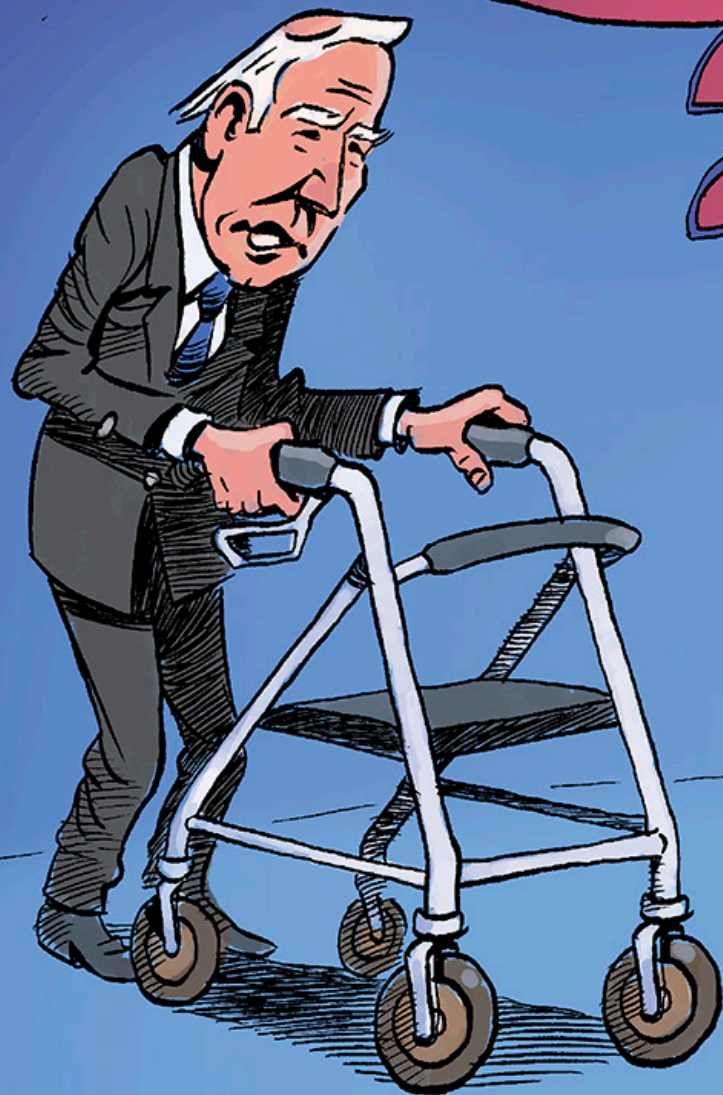


WAGING WAR

THE UNSEEN BATTLE



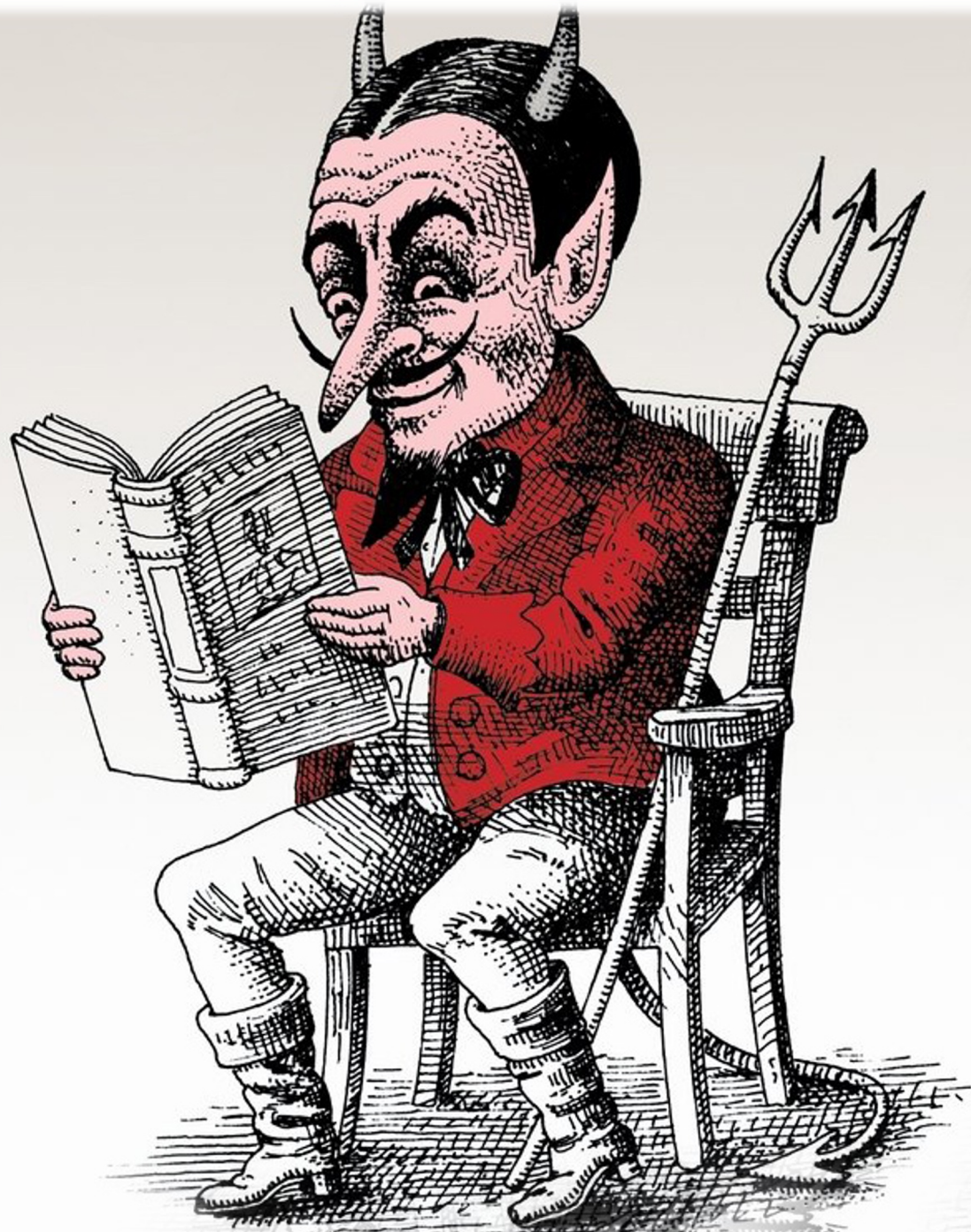




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EXAMINE THE BATTLEFIELD

EPHESIANS 6:10-13

The spiritual realm is serious

Our struggle is a spiritual struggle

What it's *not*:

- “Everything is the devil’s fault!”
- We have three enemies: the world, the flesh *and* the devil

What it *is*: War

- Names of the devil: Enemy, tempter, murderer, Father of lies, adversary, accuser, destroyer, Evil One
- Satan’s goal is to kill you spiritually

Two necessary responses

1. Be ready for a fight! (Eph 6; Job 1-2)

- Why else do we need armour?
- The fight: curse God
- Two great schemes:
 - *Doubt His existence* (cf. 2 Cor 4:4)
 - *Doubt His goodness* (cf. Gen 3:5)
- “Be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power” (Gal 6:10)

Two necessary responses

2. Seek refuge in Christ (Col 2:15)

- He has disarmed the spiritual realm
- He has triumphed over Satan (cf. 1 Cor 2:6-9)
- He has set spiritual captives free (cf. 2 Tim 2:26)
- He has all authority (v.10; cf. Mt 28:18)
- We have nothing to fear

• **GOD**  Satan

Too little or too much?

“There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them.”

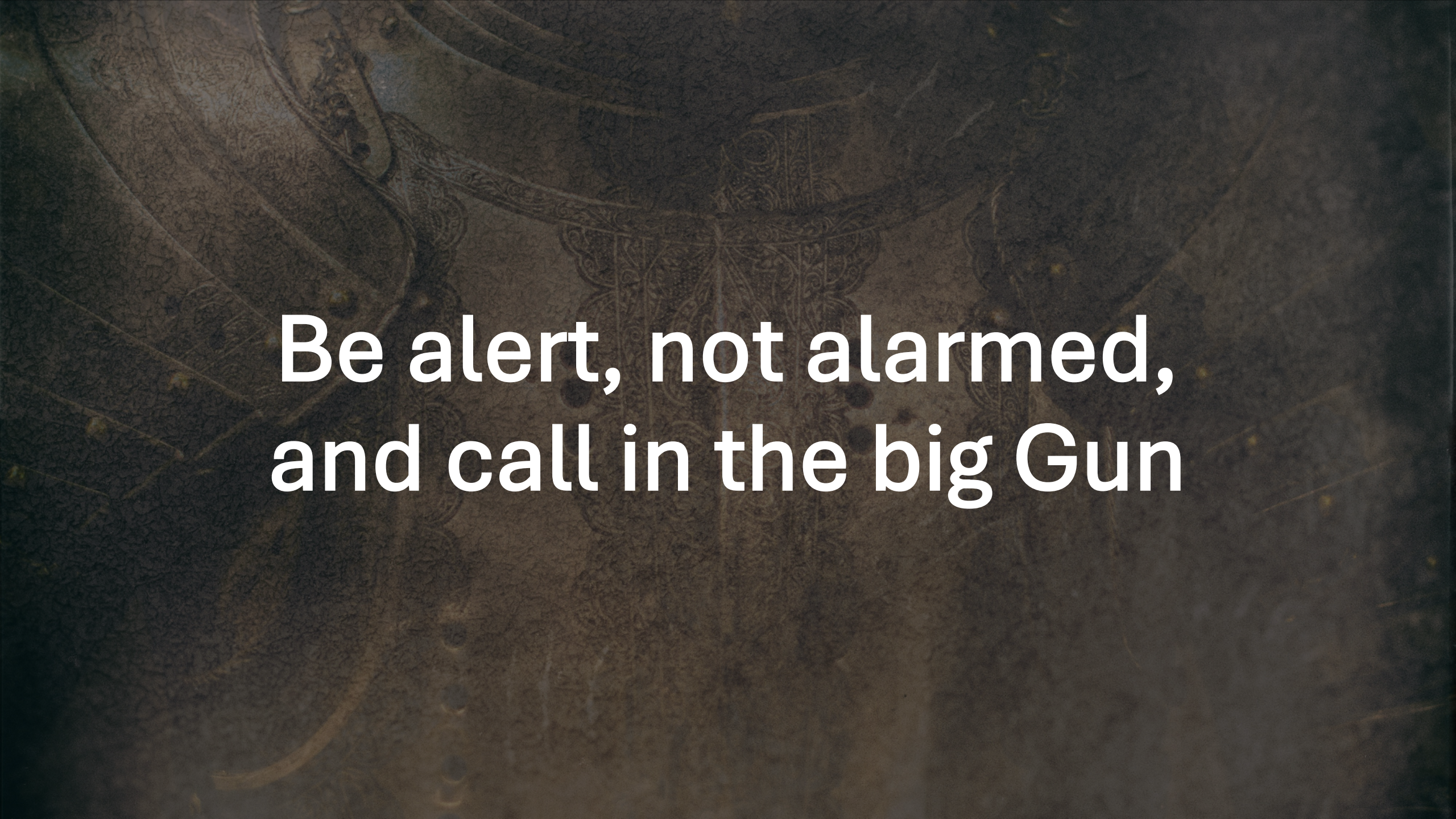
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Ephesians 6:18

And **pray** in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of **prayers** and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on **praying** for all the Lord's people.



**Be alert, not alarmed,
and call in the big Gun**