

As iron sharpens iron, So one man sharpens another.

Proverbs 27:17

And the Lord said, "Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. Luke 22:31

Be sober [well balanced and self-disciplined], be alert and cautious at all times. That enemy of yours, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion [fiercely hungry], seeking someone to devour.

I Peter 5:8

If you know the enemy and know yourself, you need not fear the results of hundreds of battles.

If you know yourself, but not the enemy, for every victory gained, you will also suffer a defeat.

If you know neither the enemy nor yourself, you will succumb in every battle.

- Sun Tzu



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,

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1. Firm determination to do something.

See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but filled the Spirit.

Ephesians 5:15-18

CIRCUMSPECT

Literally, looking on all sides; looking round. Hence,

Cautious; prudent; watchful on all sides; examining carefully all the circumstances that may affect a determination, or a measure to be adopted.

Attentive to all the circumstances of a case or the probable consequences of an action; cautious; prudent; wary.

CIRCUMSPECTLY

In a circumspect manner; cautiously; warily.

Webster's 1828 & 1913 Dictionaries

Whoever walks with the wise becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm. Proverbs 13:20

Plans fail when there is no counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.

Proverbs 15:22

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.

James 1:5

For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought to obey Christ.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

Questions

- 1. If what we believe makes all the difference, then we need to pay close attention to what we allow to form our core beliefs. What is building, shaping, teaching, and training you?
- 2. What area are you feeling attacked most? (marriage, children, work, etc.) Ask God to reveal what he's trying to develop in and through you out of these battles.
- 3. If you win the battle you are currently fighting, what will be the result? What will that bring to you?