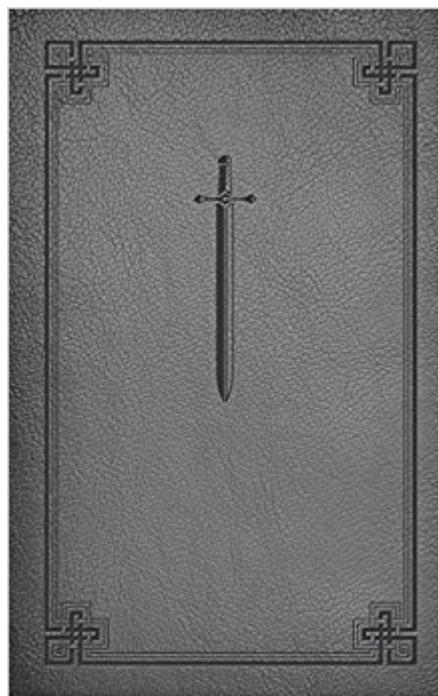


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# Manual For Spiritual Warfare



## Synopsis

A fierce war rages for your soul. Are you ready for battle? Like it or not, you are at war. You face a powerful enemy out to destroy you. You live on the battlefield, so you can't escape the conflict. It's a spiritual war with crucial consequences in your everyday life and its outcome will determine your eternal destiny. You must engage the Enemy. And as you fight, you need a Manual for Spiritual Warfare. This guide for spiritual warriors will help you recognize, resist, and overcome the Devil's attacks. Part One, "Preparing for Battle," answers these critical questions: - Who is Satan, and what powers does he have? - What are his typical strategies? - Who fights him alongside us in battle? - What spiritual weapons and armor do we possess? - How do we keep the Enemy out of our camp? Part Two, "Aids in Battle," provides you these essential resources: - Teaching about spiritual warfare from Scripture and Church documents - Scripture verses for battle - Wisdom and inspiration from saints who fought Satan - Prayers for protection, deliverance, and victory - Rosary meditations, hymns, and other devotions for spiritual combat St. Paul urges us to "fight the good fight of the faith" (1 Tim 6:12). Take this Manual for Spiritual Warfare with you into battle. Charcoal Grey, Premium UltraSoft, rounded corners, embossed cover, silver foil, black ribbons, silver edges, and red accented interior. ^

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Paul Thigpen, Ph.D., is the editor of TAN Books. An award-winning journalist and best-selling author, he has published forty-two books. His work has been translated into twelve languages and circulated worldwide.

Repeat: do not overlook this book. I recently purchased a copy at a local catholic men's conference in my town from a vendor there. I have been devouring the book ever since. First and foremost, the contents of this book are wonderful. It covers everything from outlining demonic activity, to relevant scripture passages, to quotes from the great saints, to prayers, etc. etc. While I've been a (happy) catholic my whole life and have never doubted demonic activity, this book has opened my eyes to the tactics of the devil in a profound way (particularly via the quotes from the saints). There are MANY quotes, prayers, and anecdotes from many saints (including many heavy hitters like Saint Francis deSales, Teresa of Avila, John Vianney, Aquinas, Louis de Montfort, Ignatius, and the list goes on and on). In my mind, this is where much of the gold of this book lies. These are the holy men and women of legend, some of whom are doctors of the church. It does us well to heed their divinely inspired wisdom. Put simply, this book is very worth reading since it could help you save your soul. Also worth noting is the fact that this book is very well made. It has a leather cover, silver page edges, a ribbon to keep your place (or favorite page) and is printed in two colors (black for text and red for headers and citations). The embossed cover is quite lovely and well done. This is a book I will be keeping for a very, very long time. I suspect this will be a reference guide and coach the remainder of my life. SDG

Still on my first read, but it's definitely an excellent book. The size makes it a good fit for a jacket pocket, and the binding is very durable. Although you cannot tell from the rather poor image, the corners are rounded, not square, and the cover details are embossed, not printed. The page edges are silvered, and there is one ribbon -- I could wish for more. The paper quality is excellent, a very white and sturdy stock. The first six chapters are the manual, as such, and the remainder contain the tools and weapons (prayers) with which to conduct the battles. For those who doubt the existence of the devil and of demons, this book may not hold much interest. For the rest of us, it will be a welcome companion, a reliable tool in our daily lives. We have such a wealth of prayers from the saints that it must have been a considerable challenge selecting those which are included. I could wish there were an index, as roughly 270 pages are filled with prayers, and quickly finding any one in particular is a challenge. Overall, I am very pleased with this book, and besides my own copy, have ordered more, as gifts for others.

As the introduction spells out: "Sacred Scripture speaks of our ongoing battles with the world, the flesh, and the Devil (see Jas 4:1-7). This book focuses on our struggle with the last of those

three adversaries. He gives his reasons for concentrating on this aspect based on disbelief in Satan's existence, lack of knowledge regarding resources available, and that even our struggles with the flesh and the world can be influenced by the Devil's interference. This is a book of considerable balance and prudence. There are plenty of caveats for a book of this type and Paul Thigpen takes care to make all the proper distinctions. One of the important distinction is regarding aspects that are reserved for the priestly role and what the laity is able to do. These distinctions are reinforced throughout the book. This manual avoids the Saturday Night

Live's Church Lady cry of "Could it be SATAN?" while specifying the reality of spiritual warfare and demonic influence. The first part of the book is a primer on the scriptural and theological aspects of spiritual warfare. The reality and urgency of what are response should be is spelled out as we really do have a mortal enemy who wants to seek our destruction. While we are alive there can never be a ceasefire regarding spiritual warfare and spiritual pacifism is just surrender of our soul. I really enjoyed this whole section of the book as it lays out the theology reinforced with a solid bedrock of scriptural references. The second part of the book broken up into multiple sections providing the tools and the weapons for spiritual warfare. Church teaching about spiritual warfare from Catechisms, Councils, and Papal documents. Biblical reference that provides a glossary, biblical history involving the Devil and Demons, and related scriptural verses. Wisdom from the saints on spiritual warfare. Like his saint's meditation book I totally loved this section for the wide range of pertinent quotes. This is a part of the book I will want to revisit from time to time. The last section includes specific prayers, devotions, and hymns related to spiritual warfare. This section is about a third of the book and is a great resource for prayer. Included in this are Rosary meditations for each mystery along with some very nicely written prayers from the author. So this is surely all you need to be interested in this book. Yet there is one more aspect that makes this book even better. That this manual was published like an old school prayerbook meant to be kept at hand and well used. It is described as "Premium Ultrasoft with two-tone sewn binding, ribbon marker and gold edges." This is just beautifully made. I am pretty much converted over to only using ebooks and I did read this as a PDF, but I was totally delighted when I received this book in the mail.

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