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Before Katniss Everdeen stepped back into the arena for the 75th Hunger Games, Haymitch Abernathy offered her one final word of advice. While in the arena, the games forced its “contestants” (called “tributes” in the book) to battle each other to the death – for the entertainment of the Capital along with a means to control its citizens in the districts. In order to survive, tributes build temporary alliances. Katniss needed an alliance because she had a target on her back. As the popular tribute, too many in the arena saw her as the threat. As the face of a movement to challenge the capital’s reign of terror, President Snow saw her as a threat. So before stepping into the arena, Haymitch reminded her, “Remember who the real enemy is.”

In the arena disorienting the tributes is part of the Games itself. The game-makers ensure unexpected dangers keep the competition interesting. While only one will survive the games, formed alliances are not just essential for survival but clearly brings trust issues with it. Then there is the danger of simply surviving the elements; they are called The Hunger Games for a reason. All of that begs for her to remember who the real enemy is.

We’re living in our own arena. No, it’s not a battle to the death for the last man standing. But it is a battle. Sometimes we are the players and other times we’re being played. So we always need reminded as to be who the enemy really is.

In Paul’s famous military metaphor (Eph. 6:10-18) he takes his readers through the Armor of God images. Belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, feet fitted with peace, shield of faith, helmet of salvation and sword/Spirit of the word of God. While we’re less aware, the original audience were well aware of the imagery Paul uses. The focus is not on modeling the belt, breastplate, fitted feet, shield, helmet and sword, as we have often done. The focus is on the character of the “soldier” who models truth, righteousness, peace, faith, salvation and Spirit/word of God. Too often we have allowed the soldier image to drive the message instead of the character qualities that define the soldier, which ends us distorting who the real enemy is.

The posture of the soldier is never in the offensive position, but the defensive position. The soldier does not look for a fight, any more than a shepherd looks to fight the wolf or the bear. But if the battle comes to him, he is more than able to defend himself by standing his ground (mentioned three times). Note that the shield’s role is to extinguish the flaming arrows, to protect oneself from attack, and that Paul never authorizes “weaponizing” the sword. In fact, the only offensive posture mentioned in the passage is to pray, and Paul tells us to pray five times in verses 18-20. Because understanding the position helps clarify who the enemy is.

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Prayers For Sunshine Family.

Bill Gammon He needs prayer for strength and recovery from multiple medical problems at this time. Please remember him.

Teresa Evans (Sharon Gampps Niece) She is feeling much better after surgery. She will begin radiation and chemo treatments next week. Please pray for her to have strength & wellness for the coming weeks.

Teresa Moonyham Please remember her as she recuperates from recent surgery.

Janine Morris She is home now. Please pray she regains strength and for her healing from this disease. She is being treated for multiple myeloma.

We have many who are dealing with very difficult situations at this time. Please lift them up to The Father for help.

<u>Judi Allison</u>	Elbrooke Room#535
<u>Esther & Gene Crisp</u>	Riverbend Room#123
<u>Sarah Gilliland</u>	Hillview Room#213
<u>Helen Hayward</u>	Homebound
<u>Ruth Morris</u>	Best Care Room#10

Prayer Requests

Derek Brothers Please pray for his safety, also for Taylor and Lilly while he is away.

Pat Carr (Jamie Forbes Mom) Please continue prayers for her and her family.

Andy Dettwiller (Friend of Dale Kuhn) He is battling cancer. Please pray for him..



Sunday Morning Worship

Serve Day 2020 - July 11

07/26-7/31 Church Camp

Sunday Morning Live Streaming Links:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/sermon-media>
<https://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>



Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, pick up your gift just for being our guests today.

Thank you for coming. Please come back!

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion bread available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You may simply pick it up before the services on your way into the auditorium.

Elders Meeting Together

Sunday July 09

Prayer Session: July 23



Good Morning Sunshine! WELCOME!

We also invite you to join us for on-line services.

Sunday Morning @ 10 AM

Sunday Eve. Class @ 6:30 PM

Wednesday Eve. Class @ 7:30 PM

If you'd like to follow along during the service, today's lesson comes from:

Sunday AM Acts 1: 1-11

Sunday PM Acts 1: 12-26

Wednesday Eve. Philippians 2

Sunday Morning Worship Service
will continue here at the building,
with Sunday Evening & Wednesday
Evening lessons being on line.

~~~~~ Church Camp 2020

Howell's Mill Christian Assembly

In Ona, W.Va. (Huntington)

Sunshine's Week is July 26-31

Register online @ www.howellsmill.org

Please see Shaun or Lisa for more
information.

~~~~~ You Are Invited!

Madison Beekman Graduation Party

July 11 5pm-8pm

Woodland Altars Main Lodge

33200 St.Rt.41, Peebles, OH.

~~~~~ When in doubt about what to do??

Seek Ye First The Kingdom of God!
And His Righteousness; and all these
things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33

Serve Day 2020 July 11, at 8:30 AM.

Sunshine will be participating while practicing social distancing. We have designated task areas to work in that avoid physical contact.

You may register to help by calling the Sunshine Church building 740-820-3415 or register online @:

<https://sunshinecofc.church/serveday>.

If you plan to help, please get registered soon so we will have your Serve Day shirt ready for you.

Please see the facebook page for added details of the work projects.

Our team will be located at the Bennetts Custom Trucks Parking lot at Muletown

Project #1) Trash pickup along SR.335 from the Church building to the SR 335/ Lucasville-Minford Road Intersection.

Project #2) We will be cleaning headstones at the Bennett Cemetery.

Project #3) The teens will have a free car wash at Bennett's Parking Lot.

We will also be serving a free lunch there.
Come Join Us!

Family Bible Time

Week 80 Text:

July 05 Lesson 367 Acts 25

July 08 Lesson 368 Acts 26

Week 81 Text:

July 12 Lesson 369 Acts 27

July 15 Lesson 370 Acts 28

Those Who Serve

Sunday Morning	07/05/2020	07/12/2020	07/19/2020
Welcome	Don Coriell	Jon Coriell	Wayne Gamp
Midservice Prayer			
Communion			
Reading			
Closing Prayer			
Sun. Evening	07/05/2020	07/12/2020	07/19/2020
Song Leader	Service Online	Service Online	Service Online
Reading			
Communion			
Assist			
Prayer			
Wed. Evening	07/08/2020	07/15/2020	07/22/2020
Song Leader	Service Online	Service Online	Service Online
Prayer			



Sunday Worship - 10:00 am
Bible Study - 6:30 pm

Wednesday Bible Study - 7:30 pm

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You are not my enemy, and I am not yours. As Paul clearly states, the struggle is not in the physical sense, though it may take form in the physical sense. The struggle is real and its source is the devil (v. 11; 1 Pet. 5:8). He implements his schemes through rulers, people in power, and evil spiritual forces that are at work (v. 12). Structures and systems assembled by the society, including the State, with the purpose to dominate, destroy and dehumanize people is the means for the devil to achieve his evil schemes. That's why we are called to peacefully stand against evil systematically woven throughout our society. Since we're not enemies, but allies, and as we are called to take our stand, we remember who the real enemy is.

During the games, Katniss became disoriented. Other tributes carried out an attack on her and her alliances. While under attack, her own allies looked to be turning on each other. Chaos was controlling the moment. In the confusion, Katniss drew her bow. Ready to defend herself, Finnick Odair entered her sights. He raised his hands, pleading, to stop her from killing him. She paused, trying to assess the situation properly. He called out using Haymitch's own words, "Katniss! Remember who the real enemy is!" Sometimes, when we're ready to turn on each other, we need that same reminder.

Soli Deo Gloria!
(i.e., only God is glorified!)

**REMEMBERING
WHO THE REAL ENEMY IS**



BY JON PARTLOW

Have a wonderful day!