

### Eph 6:10-18

What are the 5 things you need to know about Spiritual Warfare?

• Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might<sup>2</sup>. Put on the full armor of God<sup>4</sup>, so that you will be able to stand firm<sup>5</sup> against the schemes of the devil<sup>3</sup>. For our struggle<sup>1</sup> is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. Therefore, take up the full armor of God<sup>4</sup>, so that you will be able to resist<sup>5</sup> in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm<sup>5</sup>.



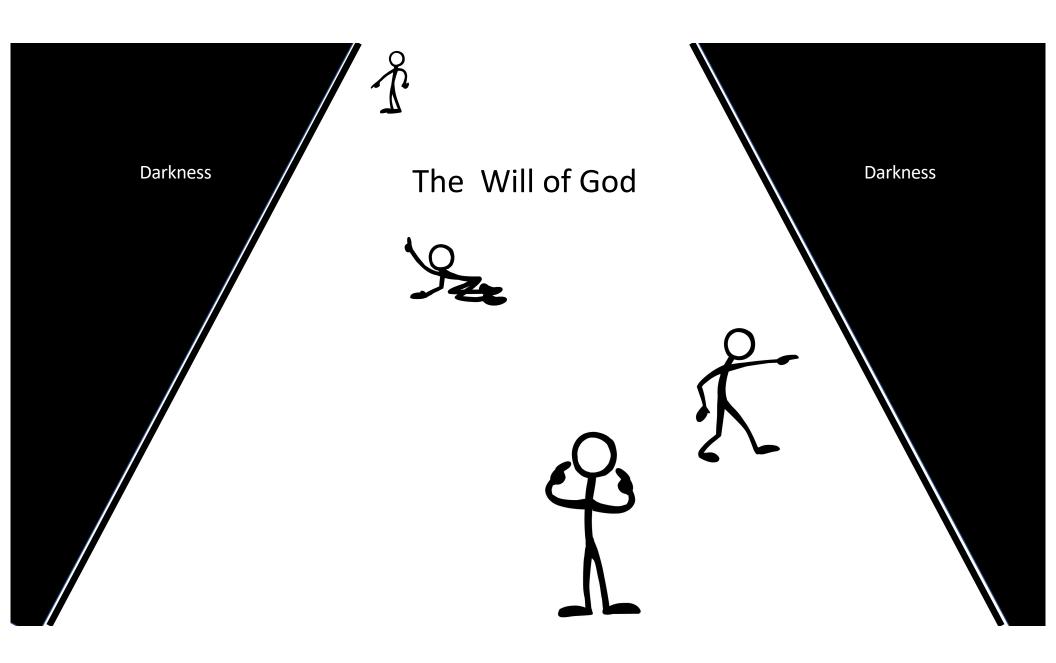
## #1 It is our <u>struggle</u> to stay in the will of God...

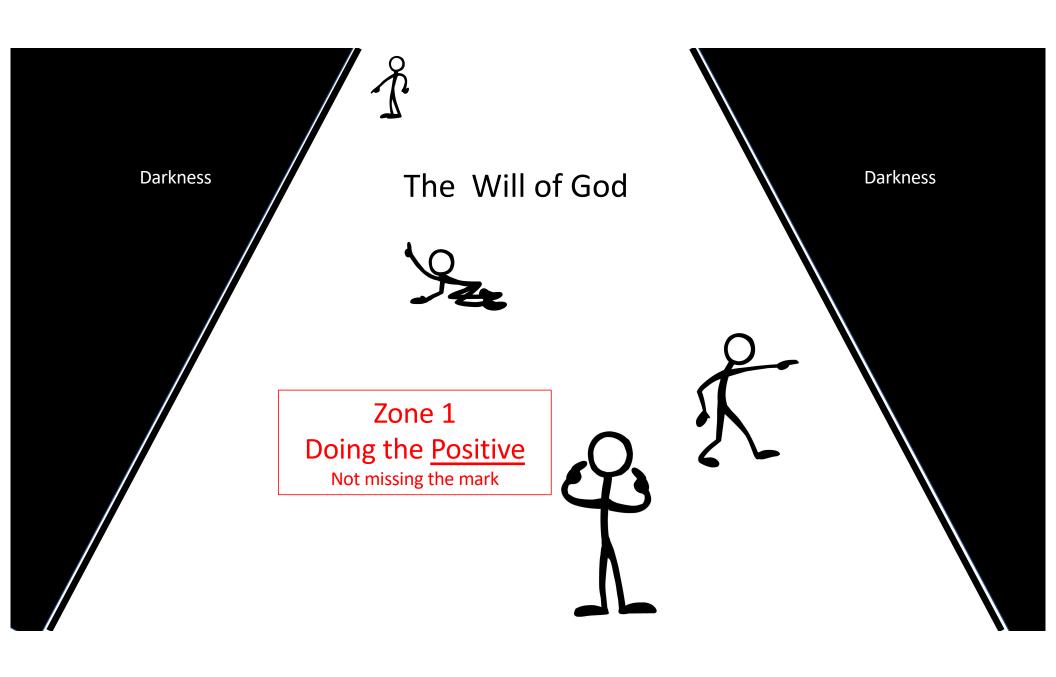
For our struggle<sup>1</sup> is not against flesh and blood

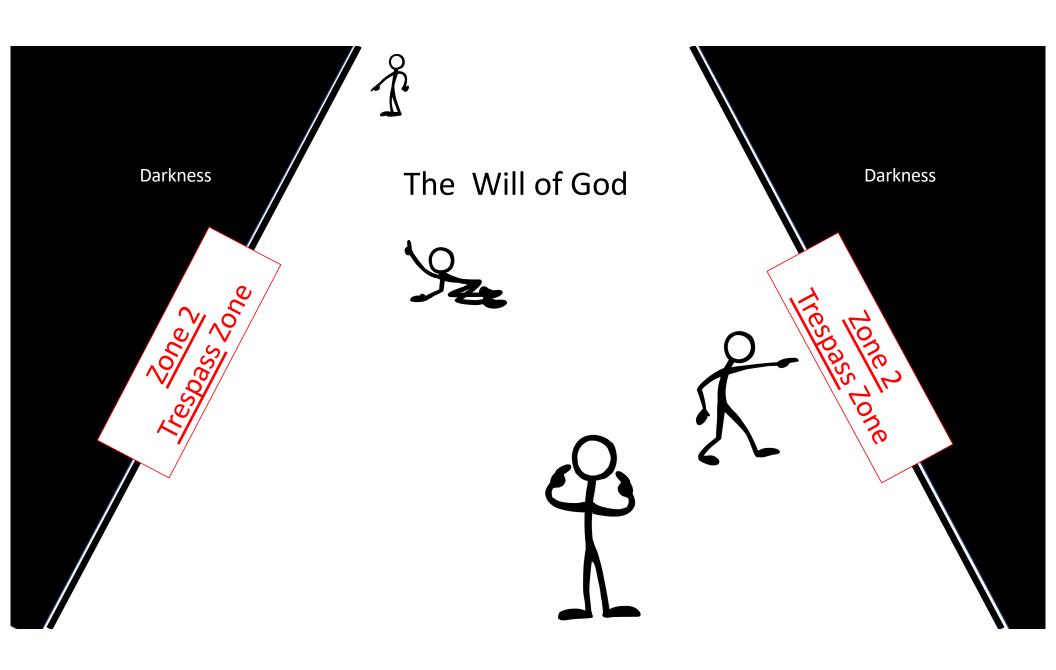
### Spiritual Warfare is the <u>normal</u> Christian life

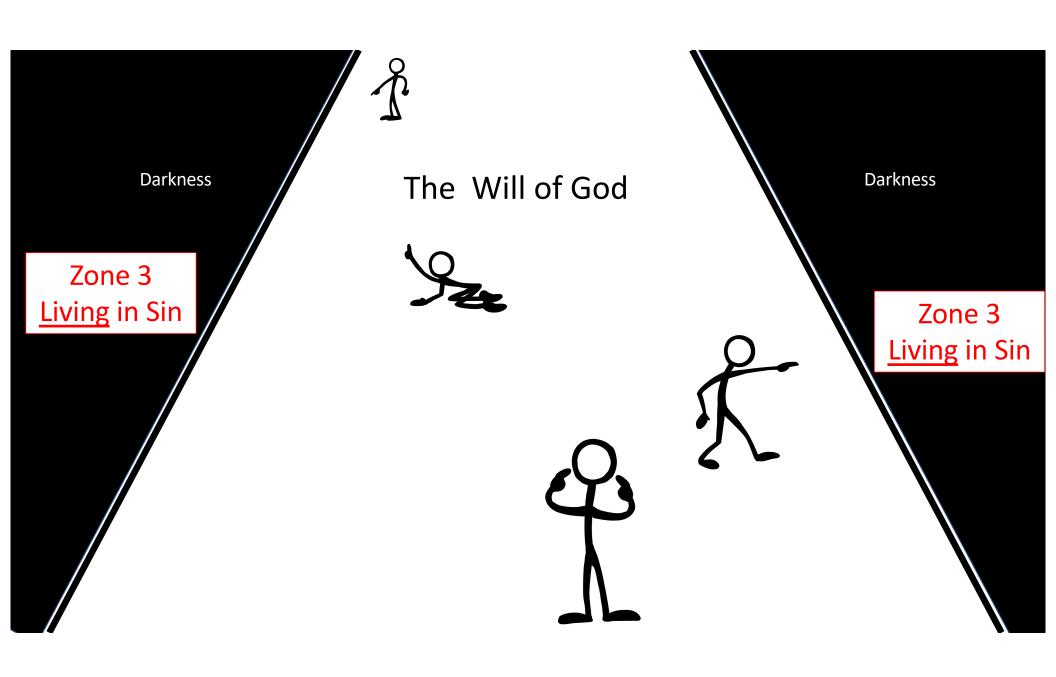
It is a war for your best possible life

- Paul calls it our struggle in Eph 6:10
- James calls it various <u>trials</u> in James 1:2,3
- Jesus calls it the narrow way Matt 7:13,14
- Paul calls it tribulations in Rom 5:3
- Matt calls it testing in Matt 4:
- Peter calls it roaring lions seeking to devour you 1 Pet 5:8
- John calls it testing the spirits in 1 John 4:1
- James calls it showing wisdom from above not from below James 3:13-18
- Paul and John call it living in the <u>light</u> rather than the darkness 1 John 1:5-10;
   Eph 5:7-10







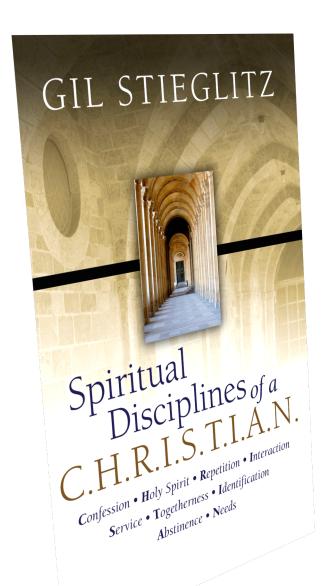




# #2. Our struggle to stay connected to the Lord Jesus' power and presence

Finally, then brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might Eph 6:10

These two phrases are condensed <u>code</u> for 4 types of actions



### "Being Strong in the Lord"

Practicing the Spiritual <u>Disciplines</u> (Exercises)
Hebrews 11:6; James 4:7; Psa 1:1-3; Rev 1:10;

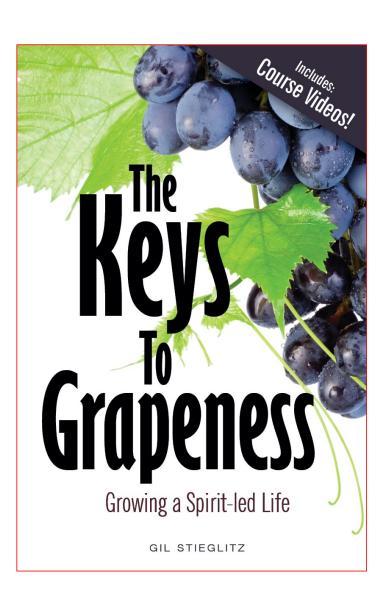
- Confession: 1 John 1:9
- Yielding to the Holy Spirit: Gal 5:16, 22,23
- Bible Meditation: 1 Tim 2:16; Psalm 1:1-3; Josh 1:8
- <u>Prayer:</u> Luke 18:1; John 15:7
- Worship: Matt 4:10
- Fellowship: Heb 10:35

### "Being Strong in the Lord"

Allowing the fruit of the Holy Spirit to appear in your life

- Love
  - · Joy
- Peace
- Patience
- Kindness
- Goodness
- Gentleness
- Faithfulness
- Self-Control



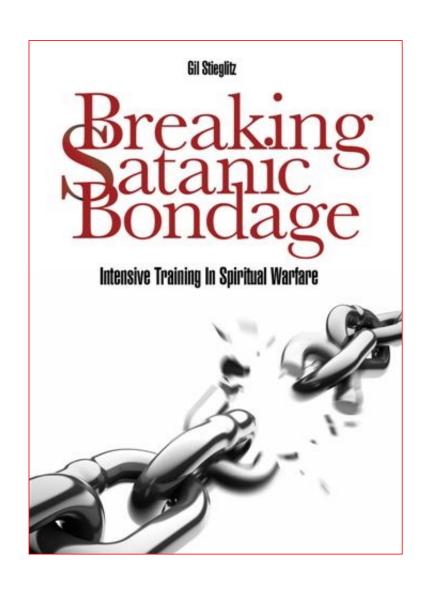


### "In the Strength of His Might"

Using your Spiritual Gifts



Rom 12:3-8; 1 Cor 12, 13, 14; Eph 4:11-13; 1 Pet 4:10,11



### "In the Strength of His Might"

Unleashing the Power and <u>Presence</u> of God into a Situation

Matt 17: 14-21

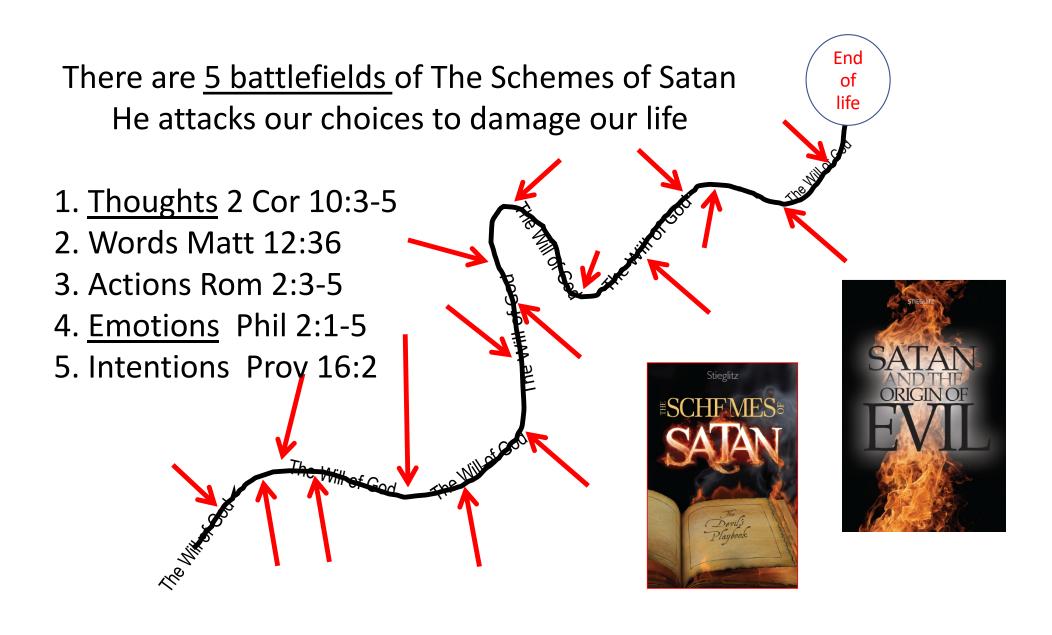
- 1. Specialists Methods
- 2. Exorcism Methods
- 3. Power Methods
- 4. Resistance Methods
- 5. Counseling Methods
- 6. Truth Methods



### #3 Our struggle against the schemes of Satan

Eph 6:11 ...so that you will be able to stand firm<sup>5</sup> against the schemes of the devil<sup>3</sup>





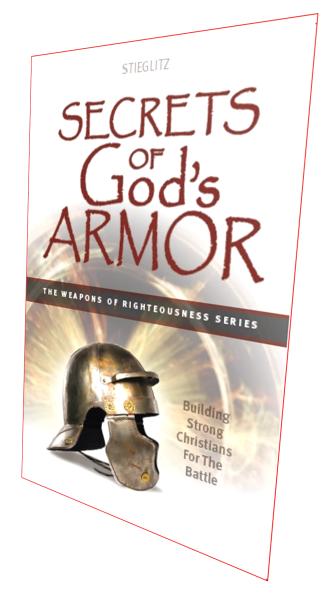




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Our struggle
to <u>put on</u> the
Armor of God
and <u>keep</u> it on

### The eight spiritual weapons develop a force-field around the Christian







#### The Armor of God

Truth vs <u>Lies</u>

Righteousness vs Sin

Peace vs Strife

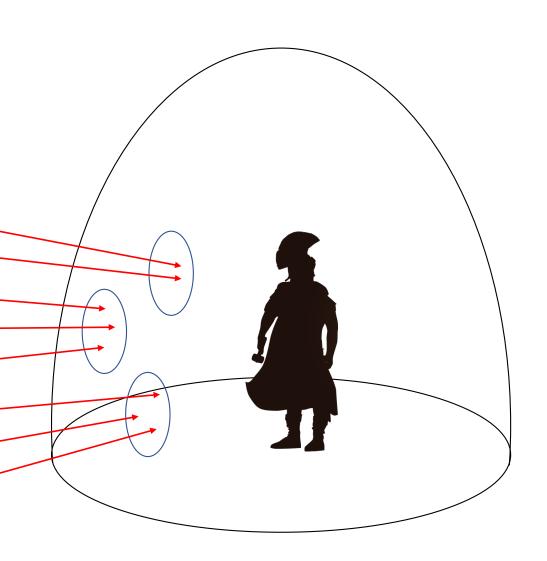
Faith vs Fear

Salvation vs giving up

Word of God vs Media

Prayer vs Ingenuity

Alertness vs Apathy





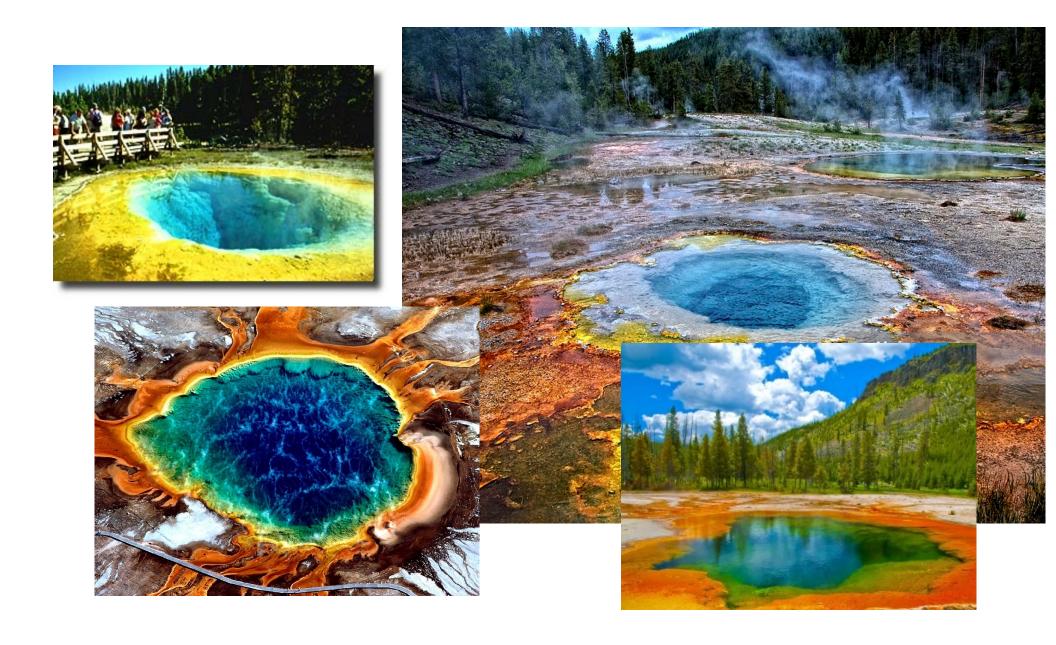
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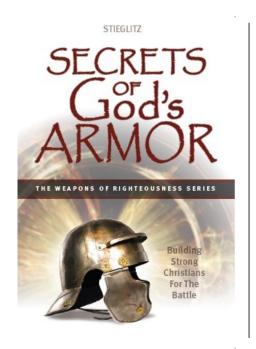
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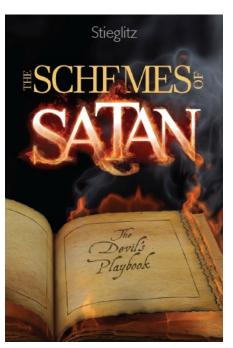


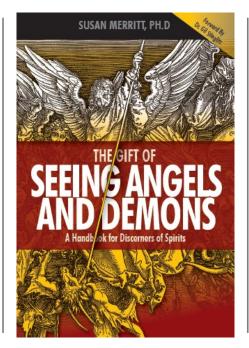


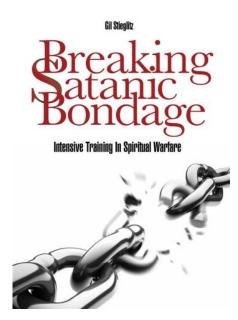
# Action Steps What do you need to do?

- 1. Realize that the <u>Normal</u> Christian life is a struggle to be loving
- 2. <u>Intensify</u> your connection to the Lord and His power
- 3. Be ready for the What and the Where of the Schemes of Satan
- 4. Put on the Armor of God over and over again
- 5. Resist the devil's scheme and keep loving



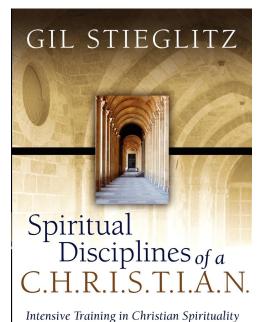






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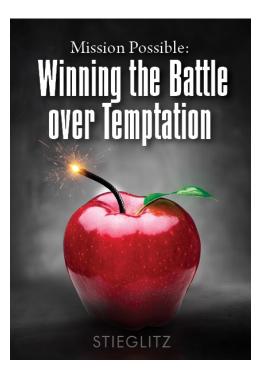
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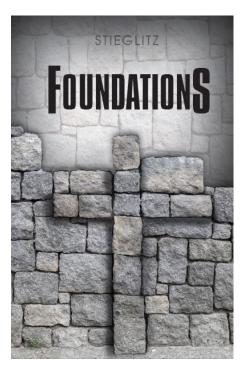






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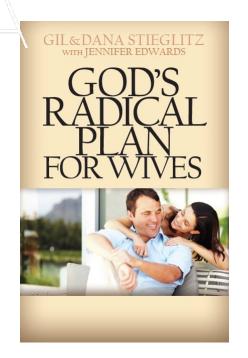


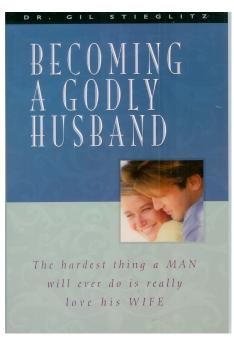


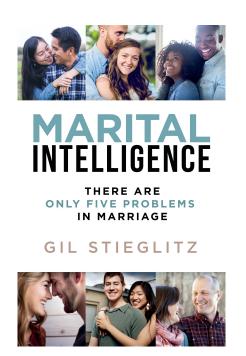
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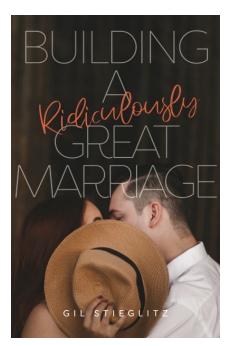
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### Marriage Resources

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