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TEMPLE KNIGHTS

MIND WARS

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“We are not fighting against flesh and blood, but against rulers, against authorities, against powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.” (Ephesians 6:12)

Scripture refers often to the small voices, (Job 3:12-21) (Luke 22:31) (Matt 16:23) the lying spirits of whom Satan is the prince. Holy books from around the world claim that higher beings have authority over the nations. The archangel Micheal has been given charge over Israel. In Daniel, the angel Gabriel spoke of fighting with the prince of Persia (fallen angel).

The ability of these beings to influence the minds of entire nations is evident in the radical extremist ideas that turn populations into frenzied mobs. Their efforts to raise leaders that destroy rather than build is world wide.

In 2023 neuroscientists holding a conference in England, came to the general consensus that consciousness existed not just in the brain but also outside. This reminded me of an ancient zen saying- “First inside, then outside, then both inside and outside, then neither inside or outside.”

There is also the zen koan that asks, “A man put a baby goose in a bottle. He fed it and it grew. How can he get the goose out of the bottle without breaking the bottle or killing the goose?” The answer is, the goose was never in the bottle. Here again the reference is to the mind not being in the body.

These same scientists believe that the universe is conscious. I wonder if they can think of another name for a supreme consciousness.

If these observations are true; and all the evidence points to this reality, then each person on earth is in constant contact with others. The mind, like water will flow in the paths of least resistance. We are a community species and belonging to a group gives us a sense of belonging, power

and protection. Those who are most closely connected to us will have the greatest influence.

The world is filled with lies and deceptions. The media and the internet play major roles, but social media is by far the most lethal in disseminating lies. Satan's strategy is to create confusion and mistrust which leads to division and eventually violence.

How can we protect ourselves from these influences?

It must be understood that to fight this fight, we need spiritual weapons. The Holy Spirit (The Spirit of Truth) seals our foreheads and in so doing protects us from the fallen angels' mental intrusion.

We must close access to our hearts and minds so that our defences are not overwhelmed. The mind can be led by the flesh. Tempting us with more and more depravity is the dark force's way of weakening the mind. Every perversion is becoming normal and accepted.

The Lord said to come out from among them and focus on Him and his Kingdom. This means to withdraw from the worldly mind, the world system, the desire for fame, wealth, sensual desire and power. He told the disciples to pray day and night without ceasing so that they would not fall into temptation. He called out Peter for speaking Satan's thoughts.

Fear and distrust has penetrated to the very heart of Christianity. I have practised meditation for years. This habit has brought me ever closer to God, and it is recommended in scripture. "Be silent before the Lord and wait expectantly for Him." (Psalms 37:7) Yet there are those who claim that meditation leads to demonic possession, spreading their poison on line so that innocents who believe everything they hear will be mentally and spiritual corrupted.

Stay away from social media. The messages that are promoted there are not to be trusted. Talk to friends and acquaintances directly and do not engage in mass on-line interactions. Whenever a major story happens, the web gets flooded with fake news and conspiracies.

Some of my own friends have succumb to false information because they do not spend enough time in the Word and as a result are easily deceived.

The truest form of Buddhism is Zen. Here the focus is on meditation and awakening to enlightenment. It was these monks who came up with the idea that the mind was not just in the body.

If mind also exists outside of the body, then we are intimately connected to everyone. Not only is the mind outside the body, but what we think of as mind is fundamentally wrong on so many levels. For instance, most

people think of their minds as being inside the brain. In fact, the brain is only the central processor for the whole body mind.

We are surrounded and penetrated by EME (Electromagnetic energy), which can manifest as light, magnetic waves, gravitational waves and the broadband radio and microwave as well as heat. Chi is EME energy, once thought to be the life force. But chi is the result of the life force in the same way as EME fields surround electrical conductors.

When this field and corresponding channels are enhanced through exercises like Tai Chi Chuan, Chi Kung or meditation, the body responds with health and vigour.

The Chi like the breath, enters and exists in the body through the skin with every inhalation and exhalation. Our interaction with others is bound by a vast network of EME highways, making us part of the world mind. The strength of our chi and wisdom will determine whether we receive more than we are sending and therefore falling into an intellectual downward spiral.

Do not be carried away by worldly ambition, but rather seek God's truth and He will guide you. Question every spirit that attempts to persuade your thoughts. Even many Christian churches have become apostate as prophesied in the scripture, by holding to the traditions and ideas of men and denying or misrepresenting the Word.

So how do we defend against the evil forces that surround us?
We must put on the full Armour of God. (Ephesians 6:10-18)

The Belt of truth: Represents living with integrity and rejecting lies.

The Breastplate of Righteousness: Protects the heart, signifies Christ's Righteousness and a life of obedience.

The Shoes of Peace: Provides spiritual stability through the good news of the gospel.

The Shield of Faith: Deflects the fiery darts of the evil one.

The Helmet of Salvation: Guards the mind.

The Sword of the Spirit; Which is the Holy Scriptures.