BATTLES LEADERS-FIGHT

01 INFERIORITY

When you lean on God's presence, you can do things you've never been able to do on your own.

Fighting the battle of inferiority means being filled with the Holy Spirit and understanding (and accepting) that your confidence comes from some other source than what you can provide.

"Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant—not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life." 2 Corinthians 3:5-6

02 TEMPTATION . .

As blessing increases, so does temptation. As weariness increases, so does temptation.

The best way to overcome temptation is to fall in love with Jesus all over again. It's so much easier to fulfil the commands of God by falling in love with Him rather than simply trying to white knuckle your way through. Temptation (and your reaction to it) reveals so much more about the condition of your relationship with God than it does your self control.

"For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome." 1 John 5:3



03 DISCOURAGEMENT

- It's nearly impossible to encourage yourself. Instead, you have to have the right people around you to lift you up. Two are better than one.
- One of the best defenses against the battle of discouragement you can have is a group of people

 who know what's going on inside of you. If you're the only one who knows your secrets, you're in

 trouble. Someone has to know when you're struggling, where you're facing difficulties, and what's
 hard for you. And then they need to be there to lift you up.
- If you go to God with the problems you face, God will cleanse your heart. He is faithful and will
 forgive us of our sins. It takes care of what you did, but it doesn't take care of the fact that you might
 do it again. You go to God for forgiveness, but you go to God's people for healing.

04 REJECTION

- We're in the people basiness. The enemy will use that to do whatever he can to mess up your heart. He'll put stuff in there hurt, offense, rejection, and wounds.
- One of the healthiest things a leader can do is forgive people. Few things affect the anointing in your life more than your feelings about others. Jesus doesn't just say that we should forgive our enemies. He says that we're supposed to do good for them, love them, pray for them, and bless them.

How do you fight the battle of rejection? Let it go. Forgive as often as you can and as quickly as you can. Bless those who curse you. Don't hold it in your heart.

"For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you." John 6:14

05 DEMONIC ATTACK

The devil has a plan for your life. Make sure you're working harder at resisting him than he is at fighting you.

How do you fight demonic attack? The best tool you have at your disposal is worship. When you worship, you don't just praise God. When you worship, you fight the devil and break his power over your life.