

GOD'S WEAPONS OF WAR

**ARMING THE CHURCH TO DESTROY
THE KINGDOM OF DARKNESS**

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I dedicate this book to Jesus, my Commander in Chief,
who made me a five-star general in His army of saints.

Jesus is waiting on His Church for all enemies to be made His footstool (see Hebrews 10:12–13), and I believe this book will motivate many saints to become active warriors and use their weapons of warfare to fulfill God’s prophetic word. Jesus wants to return but cannot until all things are restored and all prophetic Scriptures are fulfilled (see Acts 3:21). God’s World War III has been activated to subdue Christ’s enemies and fulfill all prophecies. This must happen so that Jesus can be released from heaven to be joined with His Church forever.

We are co-laboring with You, Jesus, to train, equip and activate those called to be warriors in Your end time army.

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Foreword

Christians must learn why it is imperative that we fight. We must begin to focus on the harvest battlefields ahead! Learning war comes easier to some than others; to those who grew up in relative peace and comfort, it may come hardest of all.

Why war? Why is it necessary? Why can people not live in harmony? These are the questions we ask our parents when we are first exposed to conflict through the media. We ask our history teachers when we are learning the events that brought us to the present. Most importantly, we ask God. “If you are a loving God,” we question, “why do war and destruction occur?” The short answer is that we are called to serve in God’s army of warriors. If we do not heed His call, the enemy will step in, and he will rule in our stead. We are called to possess, secure and protect our inheritance.

The times are a-changing—and we must understand the times. I know no other person still walking in the earth realm who better helps the Church understand the times than Bishop Bill Hamon. Dr. Hamon has created a masterpiece in *God’s Weapons of War*. The Body of Christ, the saints of the ages, have corporately entered a season in which spiritual warfare is

shifting to the harvest field that is called earth. The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof. This book reveals the corporate weapons of our warfare and divine decrees on how to use them as we engage in the battlefields of the future.

My own call from the Lord is to see the nations of the earth healed. One of my awesome privileges in doing this is to travel from nation to nation meeting with God's gathered people. Many nations still stand in the valley of decision. On January 1, 1984, I received a visitation of the Holy Spirit that changed my life and that of my wife, Pam. God revealed shifts in world events as He outlined strange happenings to come concerning the Soviet Bloc countries. After the Lord saw that He could trust me to pursue His purposes on a greater scale, He visited me on January 1, 1986, and revealed in detail changes that would come in ten-year cycles for the next forty years, ending in 2026.

God's army is being prepared for the battle ahead through these and other revelations that build the faith of His people. God does nothing on the earth without first revealing to His prophets what His will is in heaven (see Amos 3:6–7). This means He strips away secret plans of the enemy and opens up His overall plan, which eventually leads to the triumph of His people and the return of His Son to reign in the earth. His eyes run to and fro to see whom He may communicate with regarding His ultimate purposes of victory. I love Him, seek Him, walk with Him daily and am available for Him to communicate with. You can, too.

To help the Body shift into a mindset for war, I wrote *The Future War of the Church, God's Unfolding Battle Plan* and a number of other books. Much of what was written to prepare us is now a daily reality. One of the most misunderstood concepts in Christendom is the call of Christians to war. But God does not call us to war so that we can be defeated. I sense the season ahead to be the time of triumph; therefore, I recently wrote the companion to *God's Weapons of War*, a book titled

A Time to Triumph. I want to share some things in that book in order to shed light on how God is preparing the Body of Christ for the days ahead.*

A Vision of a New Movement

In September 2007, the Lord alerted me to a change in my life and its direction. He said, *Lay down your involvement in the prayer movement. I am going to reposition you and show you what is to come in days ahead. The prayer movement needs to be the wine for the wineskin that is forming. Look ahead to see a new wineskin.*

Through the next spring, I ministered as the Lord led me while I waited to find out where the Lord intended to reposition me. Then, on May 31, 2008, I joined John and Sheryl Price, Peter and Trisha Roselle, and other prophetic leaders in a time of intercession at Liberty State Park, across the Hudson River from Manhattan and in view of the Statue of Liberty. Millions of immigrants who arrived on the East Coast stopped first at Ellis Island to document their desire to be part of this nation. Many of them headed to the historic train station at Liberty State Park to catch a train that would take them to Newark or New York City. We gathered at this train station to “open the gates in 2008” for the glory of God to flood across America.

When worship began, the Spirit of God fell on me. I was caught up into a heavenly place, and I received a vision that stretched from the past into the future. In the vision, which lasted for four hours, I saw both demonic and divine strategies, historical and future paths, and small groups and nations. God, who is not in time, can open the eyes of the spirit man

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to be able to see in a time that has not yet manifested—just as He did for Daniel, Jeremiah, the apostle John and many of the biblical prophets, who saw the time you and I are now living in and warned us of things to come. The Spirit of God lifts us into other realms so we can have hope and strategy for the future.

The first thing the Lord showed me was my own bloodline. I already knew the history of four generations on both sides of my family tree, and further back on my mother's side. The Lord showed me where the paths of my families intersected. He showed me where His Glory invaded our bloodline and also where demons had invaded and iniquitous structures had developed. I saw the progress Pam and I had made in overturning generational iniquities.

As worship continued, my spirit began to rise, as often happens during worship: We ascend high enough to have clear vision. Eventually, I could see the entire United States. The view was amazing, perplexing and confounding! I was caught between old and new paradigms and seasons of rule. First, He revealed His remnant, showing me where they were positioned. Next, He showed me their strength from state to state. He then invaded time and showed me the future, seven years ahead. Troops began to assemble from every place in each state, as though they were drawn by a powerful magnet, and gathered to form what looked like a river of glory fire.

“Who are these people, Lord?” I asked, and He said, *This is My triumphant reserve for the future!* I was peering into the future at what would become a new movement. His triumphant reserve would be called up for future Kingdom purposes. This was the new wineskin in a coming new movement. I saw this wineskin moving across America, and I asked, “Lord, how can America change?” He immediately responded, *My people must learn to play the trump card. If they do not, they will be ruled by a Jezebel spirit in the season ahead, as in the days*

of *Athaliah*. (Remember that this was May 31, 2008, before Donald Trump had entered the political scene.)

The Triumphant People Arising

The movement of God’s people—the river of glory fire—looked like liquid gold flowing in the land. It resembled fiery lava moving from state to state (every state had a movement). This group would destroy the works of the enemy in days ahead. Over the next seven years, by the Jewish New Year in September 2015, they would mature to be ready to go to war against the darkness attempting to bring destruction. Triumphant people are ones who know how to triumph, meaning to obtain victory, or a state of being victorious in conquest. Triumph carries a distinct emotion for God’s children; in triumph, one expresses joy or exultation because he or she has prospered, succeeded and flourished.

An easy way to understand triumph is to think of a trump card, a card that takes all others (“trumping,” or winning a hand or suit). The triumphant people I saw had the following characteristics:

- **They were infused with a victorious attitude.** Attitudes have a tremendous impact on how we see the world. Wrong attitudes can skew our perceptions and cloud our understanding of the fruits our labors are producing. Positioning your heart and mind on the Lord, however, will preserve you in times of trouble and lead to a victorious attitude. The Lord’s triumphant people had strong hearts! Ask the Lord to adjust your attitude to triumph.
- **They were aligned for victory.** Alignment can be thought of as “snapping into place,” the way a doctor must position a broken bone in its proper place in order for it to heal properly and the appendage to work again. An army

must be aligned and ordered for victory. God has an order, and it will not manifest until we are properly aligned. The triumphant people were snapped into alignment for victory. To create the prototype of triumph for the future, we must be aligned in God's order: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then healers, miracle workers, administrators, etc. Review your present alignments.

- **They occupied a high-level aptitude to adjust quickly.** Adapting to the needs of battle and adjusting to overcome the strategies of the enemy require aptitude. A quick ability to apprehend something is not actually dependent on your intelligence but on your attitude. Those of lesser intelligence can have the highest aptitude, and those who should have high aptitude can be sabotaged by their shoddy attitudes or lack of commitment to being aligned. We have to have an attitude that enables us to adjust quickly against our enemy and toward God's order. That attitude and resulting alignment allows you to see as God sees, both the parts and how they fit together as a whole. Then, like a machine, all components are fit together exactly, allowing it to function.
- **They were creative, cunning (more shrewd than the enemy) and confrontational.** Creativity and cunning are like weapons the Lord has given us to elude and overpower our enemy. But to use them effectively, we have to be willing to *confront* the enemy, whether we want to or not. Consider how Jesus, led by the Spirit, confronted Satan in the wilderness: It was the bringing together of two opposing forces in which truth could be revealed through God's Word and prevail.
- In such confrontations, our creativity and cunning will give us the advantage. We will create the new from nothing. We will transform things into more prosperous forms

or combine old forms into something with new qualities. And, though many Christians do not understand they are shrewder than the powers of darkness, we will outwit the enemy by our cunning, because our covenant relationship with God allows us to.

Learn to Play the Trump Card

We must learn to play the trump card, which God's Kingdom people hold in their hands. The world will be contended for by nations whose roots are still aligned with Babel. The earth is the Lord's, however, and the fullness thereof. The one determining force that is not listed among these nations is the triumphant reserve of the apostolic Church that is now rising. God has a Kingdom of people, a nation above all nations, who hold the "trump card" of influence over the world, the flesh and the devil. Built within God's children is His covenant authority to be used in a timely manner. When we exercise God's authority within us, we will overtake every plan of the enemy and release a strategy of fullness in the earth.

Attempting to plant doubt in Jesus' mind, Satan incited Him to dissatisfaction, impatience and self-will. Jesus' weapon in resisting this seduction was the Torah: He humbled Himself and quoted Deuteronomy 8:3, "*Man shall not live by bread alone; but man lives by every word that proceeds from the mouth of the LORD.*" When Jesus used the Torah as a sword, the sword became life against the enemy and overcame his plan. This was the first trump card Jesus played.

Again the enemy played his own card, tempting Jesus based on His call. He will do the same to you. Since Jesus came to redeem the kingdoms of this world, the enemy offered the world to Jesus. But the offered gift came out of its proper time. Jesus used Deuteronomy 6:13 (AMP-CE) to counter him: "*You shall*

[reverently] fear the Lord your God and serve Him and swear by His name [and presence].” Jesus did not compromise to gain dominion! As we learn to play the trump card of the Word at the right time, we triumph.

High Places and Ruling Demonic Centers Must Fall

When He lifted me up, the Lord showed me the high places erected by the enemy in the United States. These are the result of the worship war going on in each territory of the earth. As stated previously, worship occurs around the one whose throne has been established. We are made to worship; therefore, if we pay homage to the enemy, he will control the atmosphere. The entire territory then falls under the darkness of his presence. Demonic hosts redirect those in that territory away from God’s plan of fullness, peace, joy and abundance.

I saw 23 states in America with covenant roots. Many states had freedom outposts, but He showed me where others were needed. Where the spiritual atmosphere was not yet conducive to freedom, He showed me how outposts could begin to form, changing the atmosphere and the land. Inside them I could hear sounds and see new types of warfare that will have to be developed by the triumphant people to regain new portions of the lands where they are located. I saw that prayer strategies from the last season will not be effective in the next. Nazareth and Capernaum are examples of this in Jesus’ day. I thought of how the Lord told the disciples, “These will not come out except through prayer and fasting.”

The truth is that for the believer in Christ, the best is always ahead. We have a wonderful promise for our future—the promise of eternal communion with God. The Bible clearly tells us that we should not live on earth with our sights set only on what is temporal; we should have a view of eternity and operate

from heaven's perspective. God will give us grace to endure what is going on in our temporal world until we come into the fullness of our eternal destiny, which is with Him. This really is the bottom line. The war will intensify, but the best for God's children lies on the road ahead.

There is so much to understand in the coming war! This book, *God's Weapons of War*, will help you understand God as a warrior, the army of the Lord, the war ahead, the greatest corporate weapon for the Church in destroying the works of the devil, God's attitude toward war and, most importantly, your role in the season of triumph that we now live in. Discover new purposes in God's heart for creating mankind and what He wants from the human race.

Thank you, Bishop, for helping us become the triumphant reserve that God has planned to represent Him in the Kingdom war ahead!

Dr. Chuck D. Pierce, president, Global Spheres
and Glory of Zion International Ministries

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The Army of the Lord Activated

One of the most important things for Christians in the 21st century to know is the times in which we live. We must know God's present-day purpose and what Christ Jesus is seeking to accomplish in and through His Church in this season, so that we can be co-laborers with Christ. There is a difference between working for Christ and working with Christ. Many ministers who represent past restoration movements are faithfully preaching the biblical truths that were restored in their movement and others. But we must not stop there, for God is still restoring and still doing new things in and through His Church. Some scriptural truths must be restored and divine purposes must be fulfilled before Jesus can return from heaven (see Acts 3:21; Hebrews 10:13). It is the Church's divine calling to bring about God's purposes on earth and usher in Jesus' return.

It is imperative that the 21st-century Church realize that the next emphasis of the Holy Spirit will be to activate the army of the Lord into *offensive warfare* and so fulfill God's present purpose for His Church. A few years ago, Cindy Jacobs prophesied to me, "Dr. Bill, Jesus is commissioning you to be

a five-star general in the army of the Lord.” Later someone gave me some documents explaining that five-star generals in America are only commissioned during a time of war. Now I lead churches in warfare as God’s five-star general as often as I operate in my apostle-prophet calling as a fivefold minister. Prophets are motivated to warfare more than others because of what God said to the prophet Jeremiah in Jeremiah 1:10: “I have this day set you [the prophet] over the nations and over the kingdoms, to root out and to pull down, to destroy and to throw down [evil demonic principalities], to build and to plant” the Kingdom of God. (Throughout this book, I have used brackets for expansions/explanations of Scripture and italics for emphasis in Bible quotations.)

The purpose of *God's Weapons of War* is to enlighten and instruct Christian believers on how to do corporate spiritual warfare. Many books have been written about doing spiritual warfare as an individual for one’s own deliverance, personal needs and victory over the enemy of our souls. Spiritual warfare has been taught as a good idea, and some have practiced spiritual warfare for themselves and others. But for those who want to co-labor with Christ in fulfilling His present-day purpose through His Church, knowing how to wage corporate spiritual warfare becomes an absolute necessity.

This is a ministry Christ has given me for His 21st-century Church; it is for me a passion and truth. In the mid-1990s, I had a vision in which Jesus introduced me to the archangel Michael. He introduced Michael by saying, *This is Michael, head general of My army of angels*. Then Jesus said, *Michael, this is Bill Hamon, one of My top generals in My army of saints*. When Jesus left us, we continued talking and strategizing on how we would win battles in our war with Satan and his evil spirit forces of darkness. On top of this, two mature prophets, at different times and places, prophesied that God had appointed me a five-star general in the army of saints.

And what is God preparing His army of saints for? First, some historical background: At certain points in the history of the Church, God has moved it into periods of restoration that have restored truths and ministries that had been lost. The period historians refer to as the Reformation was, in fact, the beginning of the Second Reformation of the Church, which for almost five hundred years (1517–2007) has restored the truths and ministries in the New Testament that were lost during the thousand-year dark age of the Church. The last movement within the Second Reformation was the saints movement activated in 2007. This led to the third and final Church Reformation, decreed from heaven in 2008. The purpose of this Third Reformation is to activate and fulfill all the truths and ministries that God has ordained for the last generation of the mortal church. The next Holy Spirit-directed move of God is the equipping and releasing of the army of the Lord to fight an offensive war, which in this book I am calling God's World War III.

God's Weapons of War covers God's purpose for declaring World War III against Satan and his spirit-world empire. It reveals the combatants in this war, the extent of the warfare, our weapons of warfare and how to use them, the final outcome and the rewards given to the overcomers who will fight to the end, winning this war by co-laboring with Christ Jesus, our mighty warrior.

God's World Wars

The Church has already entered God's World War III. For God to have a third world war, He must already have had a first and a second. God's World War I was fought to bring forth the Church, which was the First Reformation. In reality, it was the formation of the Church but a reformation for Israel, because

it changed the entire way they related to God. In this Reformation, God made one new people from both Jew and Gentile to become the one Body of Christ, the Church.

At that time, God sent His Commander in Chief of the armies of heaven to earth as a human baby. He grew to a man, and at age thirty Jesus launched His campaign. His war was to destroy the works of the devil and provide redemption for mankind. Jesus fought—and won—His first major battle with the devil at His temptation in the wilderness, after which Father God anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit and power. Jesus went about destroying the works of the devil by healing people of their devilish afflictions and casting out demons.

The winning battle took place on the cross, where Jesus provided redemption for mankind. Then, by His resurrection from the dead, He took the keys of death and hell from the devil. Jesus then birthed His Church and gave it power and authority over the devil and all his demons. Thereby the first world war was won.

God's World War II began in 1517 at the beginning of the Second Reformation. Its purpose was to restore the truth and all ministries lost during the dark age of the Church that lasted from AD 500 to 1500. The first shot in this war was fired in Germany on October 31, 1517, when God's general Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses to the door of his church in Wittenberg. It required many battles fought through many restoration movements over 490 years to retake all the truths and ministries that the devil had captured during the dark age of the Church. Most of them had been restored back into the Church by the end of 2007, when the saints movement was birthed. Thereby God's second world war was won; the Second Reformation of the Church fulfilled God's divine purpose of restoring all New Testament truths and ministries that were alive and active in the first-century Church.

Now—in our generation—the Third Church Reformation has been birthed with the declaration of God's World War III

in 2008.* God's chosen warriors and military officers were in intensified testing, training and equipping for seven years to prepare for the launching of God's offensive warfare in 2016.

We can find parallels between God's plan for His Church and Israel's history. For example, the movements through which God brought restoration to the Church during the Second Reformation are illustrated by Israel's experiences during their journey from Egypt to Canaan. The first of these movements, the Protestant movement of the early 1500s, brought the Church out of its Egyptian bondage (the dark age) of religious dead works. The sixth was the charismatic movement of the 1960s, which brought the Church to its Jordan River; in the seventh, the prophetic-apostolic movement of the 1980s, the Church crossed over the Jordan River into its Promised Land.

In the same way, Israel's seven-day march around Jericho typifies the seven years beginning in 2008. Israel's inheritance was the land of Canaan; the inheritance of the Church is the new earth. Israel was a few people, approximately two to three million, of which six hundred thousand were soldiers. Today, God's Kingdom people are in every nation of the world. God's charge to Joshua and the Israelite army was to make the kingdoms of Canaan the kingdom of Israel; this they accomplished by military conquest. The challenge to Christ's Church is to demonstrate the Kingdom of God in every nation until each nation becomes a goat or sheep nation. The sheep nations will come under the rule of the Kingdom of God (see Matthew 25:31–46). When Jesus returns to earth, all ungodly individuals and goat nations will be removed from earth and cast into the lake of fire. Then all nations remaining

* I have written a book covering the First, Second and Third Reformations titled *Prophetic Scriptures Yet to Be Fulfilled* (Destiny Image, 2010). It mostly discusses the Church demonstrating and establishing God's Kingdom.

on the earth shall come under the rule of Christ Jesus and His Kingdom saints.

Jesus has “made us kings and priests to our God; and we shall reign on the earth” (Revelation 5:10). We are destined to rule; Jesus declares in Revelation 2:26–27 that His Christian overcomers who keep fulfilling prophetic Scriptures until the end will rule and reign with Christ Jesus over the new earth. At that time the prophetic decree in Revelation 11:15 will be fulfilled, which declares that the kingdoms of this world have become the Kingdom of our God. When this is accomplished, God’s World War III will be won; the third and final Church Reformation will have fulfilled its purpose. Those who have kept God’s commandments and have overcome all things will reign with Christ over the nations with a rod of iron (see Revelation 2:26–27; 12:5; 19:15; 21:7).

Offensive Weapons for the Final Battle

This book will also reveal the final battle that will decisively win the war. We have entered an offensive war that will not end until Jesus personally leads His army of saints in the final battle. Now is the time that saints must know their weapons of war and how to use them. We absolutely have weapons of warfare that are mighty for the pulling down of Satan’s strongholds (see 2 Corinthians 10:4; Ephesians 6:12). Pastors and all fivefold ministers must now function as drill sergeants and generals, diligently training the saints as soldiers who know how to fight as warriors in the army of our Commander in Chief.

We must make sure we are fully dressed in our protective defensive armor (Ephesians 6:10–18): our helmet of salvation, breastplate of righteousness, belt of truth and combat boots of the Gospel. The shield of faith, while mainly defensive, can also be used offensively. We must also be clothed with garments

of salvation, garments of praise and the robe of righteousness (see Isaiah 61:3, 10).

We have an arsenal of offensive weapons as well: the sword of the Spirit, the name of Jesus, high praises, a shout of faith, tongues, prophetic acts and apostolic decrees. I have led numerous nations in warfare using the Church's greatest corporate weapon, the shout of faith, which explodes in the demonic spirit realm like an atomic bomb in the natural. Many ministers have testified of major changes and shifts in the nation after our acts of warfare and pulling down of strongholds. Our weapons of warfare are mighty in God for pulling down the strongholds of Satan (see 2 Corinthians 10:4).

The Next Great Move of God

This next great move will produce more manifestations of God's power and glory than ever recorded in Church history. It will continue until the glory of the Lord fills the earth as the waters cover the sea (see Numbers 14:21; Habakkuk 2:14). Jesus is calling forth tried and proven ministers to fulfill His present purpose and to co-labor with Him to win His World War III. At present we do not know for sure how many of the remaining prophetic Scriptures will be given to us to fulfill as Christ's mortal Church, in revelation and power. Fulfilling certain things will require that Christ return and immortalize His Church in order for them to become joint heirs and co-laborers with Christ in the fulfillment of all things. In the meantime, we are to do all that Christ gives us revelation, power and authority to accomplish for Him in fulfilling Christ's ultimate purpose for His mortal Church.

The world is now in a cyber war, the beginning of World War III in the natural, which will evolve into a military war of the nations. Meanwhile, the Church has entered its World War

III against spiritual beings, which will end with Jesus and His saints destroying antichrist, ungodly humans. Jesus told His Church to occupy until He comes (see Luke 19:13 KJV). To occupy has a military connotation that means more than holding territory—it means to keep fighting and possessing until . . . ! Ministers, let us now prepare Christian soldiers to be men and women of valor, mighty warriors like David's thirty mighty men, Gideon's three hundred and Joshua's conquering army. These special forces will fight alongside Jesus, the Commander in Chief of the angel army in heaven and the warrior saints on earth, until World War III is won. Be assured that Jesus with His victorious, overcoming warrior saints will win this war and triumph valiantly. They will then rule and reign over everything God has promised to His called, chosen and faithful overcomers (see Revelation 5:10; 17:14; Daniel 7:14, 18, 22, 27).

ENLIGHTENMENT, DECLARATION AND PRAYER

Father God, I believe we are living in the last days of the mortal Church. I pray that You will help me be knowledgeable of the times in which I live. I want to be a co-laborer with You in fulfilling Your final purposes for Your Church and planet earth. By Your grace I will be conformed to Your likeness and give myself one hundred percent to Your service.