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Good morning everybody! Today is a great day for all of those over whom I intercede, and that includes all of you! Let's take it higher! Do you remember where we ended last week? "If the word of God is a weapon, how is it that it also creates?" Then, "It's a two-edged sword!" The analogy for this metaphor is found in the definition. "A double edged sword is a weapon with a blade sharpened on both sides, allowing it to cut efficiently in either direction." But how does that answer the question?

As we've been building up our view of the Kingdom of the heavens, we pointed out that one of **"the weapons of our warfare"** (2Cor 10:4) is **"the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."** (Eph 6:17) Then we asked an intriguing question, "What do angels fight with?" We found the answer to be that they fight with the same thing that we do, "the word of God"! The word of God becomes a sword when we put it in our mouth. We can declare it like this, "Father, Your words in my mouth out from Your thoughts in my Mind". We see this concept clearly in Ro 8:26-27, **"The same Spirit lays hold together with us against our weakness, for we are not aware as to what we should declare as to what must happen, but the Spirit Himself intercedes over us with unrehearsed expressions. Moreover, the searching hearts recognize the thought (mind) of the Spirit because down from God He intercedes over saints."** (Enhanced) Pretty clear, huh? As we press into Him we come to know what's on His mind because He is interceding, interacting with, us on our behalf. Through experiencing this knowledge faith is formed in us, and we "declare" in His authority. That's His words in our mouths out from His thoughts in our minds! How great is that! So...

Last week, as I was writing about the word of God being one of the "other worldly" weapons of our warfare, a question occurred to me, "If the Word is a weapon, how does it also create?" Say what? I had no clue, but it seemed like something we should pursue. So when I wrote, "Hold that thought", I was speaking more to me than to you. Suddenly the concept of the word of God being a weapon seemed to contradict what I knew to be true. So I just kept writing, waiting for an answer. I got down to the end before I realized the simple and obvious answer, but I still had no idea how to explain it. So I just wrote, "it's a two-edged sword."

But yesterday, as we went back to the sword, we worked down into the answer. **"The Word of God is alive and energized, sharper than any two edged sword..."** (Heb 4:12) And a double edged sword cuts both ways, it can create, or it can destroy. And in using the word "destroy", we aren't referring so much to utter destruction, (though that can happen), but more toward conquering or vanquishing an enemy in battle with a sword.

Keep in mind, "sword" is a metaphor for the word of God. God's words express what He is and becomes what He requires. It is actionable intelligence for action. And God's purposeful good will (*agape*), expressed is Christ, "...exceeds physical reality of human knowledge, so that into us is filled the totality of divine powers." (Eph 3:19, Enhanced) The sword of The Spirit, the word of God, is part of that power! So let's look at how it "cuts both ways".

In Genesis 1, His words create. In Ps 107:20, His word heals and delivers. In Jn 1:1-4, The Word not only creates but gives life and light to men. Yet in Rev 12:11 believers are overcoming the enemy by the Blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony. And in Rev 19:15, Jesus strikes down the nations with the sharp sword in His mouth. In Rev 2:16 Jesus told John to write to Pergamos that "...I will make war against them with the sword of My mouth." Truly, the word of God cuts both ways! It's a powerful weapon that also creates!

Love never fails!

