

“Worship Is War – Come Thou Fount”

Introduction

- Today, we are reminded from Romans 7 and the hymn *Come Thou Fount* that life is often a spiritual battle.
 - The war is not just “out there” in the world — it’s in our own hearts.
 - The good news is that Jesus has already won the victory.
 - Worship is one of the ways we fight back against sin, doubt, and discouragement.
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Main Point 1: We All Struggle with Sin

1. The Apostle Paul admitted, “*I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing*” (Romans 7:19).
 2. Our biggest problem isn’t out there in the world — it’s in our own hearts.
 3. We are not just people who make mistakes; we are sinners in need of a Savior.
 4. This struggle leaves us frustrated because we want to do good but often fail.
 5. The first step to victory is honesty — like Paul, we admit, “*Wretched man that I am!*” (Romans 7:24).
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Main Point 2: Jesus Has Won the Victory for Us

1. The gospel is not “God is good, you are bad, try harder.” The gospel is: *Jesus did for us what we could never do for ourselves.*
 2. Salvation is not about cleaning ourselves up, but trusting the One who has already paid the price.
 3. Jesus knows our weaknesses — like a full “Carfax” on a used car — and still chose to pay for us with His blood.
 4. Our hope is not in our performance but in Christ’s finished work on the cross.
 5. The answer to Paul’s question — “*Who will deliver me?*” — is clear: “*Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!*” (Romans 7:25).
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Main Point 3: Worship Is Spiritual Warfare

1. Worship reminds us that God has already declared victory over sin and Satan.
 2. When we sing hymns like “*Come Thou Fount*”, we confess both our weakness (“*Prone to wander, Lord I feel it*”) and God’s power to keep us.
 3. Worship is not about us — it’s about God, His kingdom, and His glory.
 4. Singing together strengthens us and reminds us that we are not alone in the fight.
 5. Worship tells the devil he does not get the last word — Christ does.
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6 Practical Applications

1. Admit honestly to God when you struggle — He already knows.
 2. Stop trying to fight sin in your own strength — lean on Jesus.
 3. When you feel discouraged, sing a hymn or worship song as a prayer.
 4. Remember that worship realigns your heart with God’s truth.
 5. Join others in worship — it strengthens you and encourages them.
 6. Hold on to hope: the final victory belongs to Jesus, not Satan.
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5 Discussion Questions

1. Can you relate to Paul’s words in Romans 7 — wanting to do good but falling short?
2. How does it encourage you to know that Jesus already paid for your sins in full?
3. What hymn or worship song lifts your spirit when you are discouraged?
4. Why do you think singing together makes worship feel stronger than singing alone?
5. How can worship help you when you feel overwhelmed by temptation or doubt?