

In the Day of Battle



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Through the Psalms
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> Your troops will be willing
> on your day of battle.
> Arrayed in holy majesty,
> from the womb of the dawn
> your young men will come to you like the dew.*
> (Psalm 110:3)

* Alternative marginal translation

God is a God of battles. He is a Man of war. One of His main titles is *Lord of hosts*, that is, "LORD of armies." He appeared to Joshua as the captain of the LORD's army.

Scripture reveals that the present age will close with a tremendous conflict between the forces of God and the forces of Satan. For this, God is now gathering His army.

David looks forward to this day and says, "Your troops will be willing on your day of battle" – more literally, "Your troops will be freewill offerings." God is not asking us at this time for offerings – our money or our talents or our time. He is asking for one thing only: *ourselves.* We ourselves are to be His freewill offerings.

David paints vivid word pictures of this army. It comes "from the womb of the dawn" – brought forth by a birth out of darkness, as dawn follows night. "Arrayed in holy majesty," it shines "like the dew" illuminated by the rising sun. What is more pure or beautiful than a drop of dew as it is touched by the sun's first rays?

Such is the army God is now gathering. Out of the darkness of the past there is coming a new day – a day of birth and of battle. Young men in the dew of youth are being summoned, not to bring an offering, but to lay down their lives as God's freewill offerings in the day of battle.

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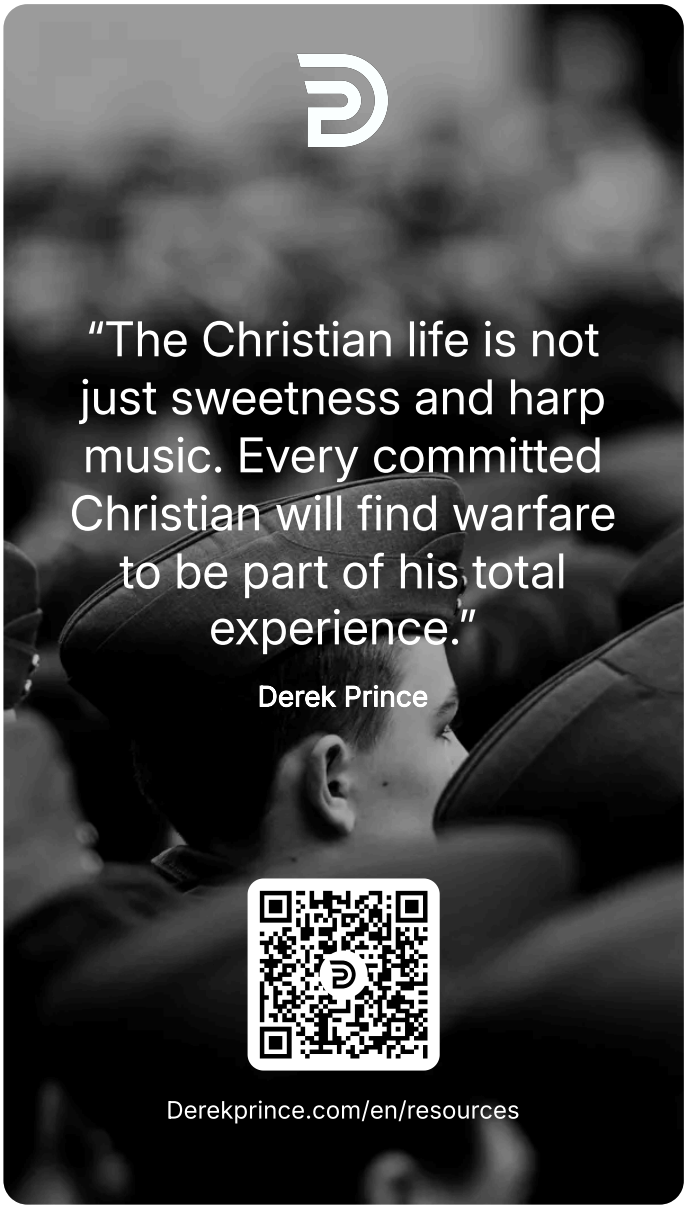

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