

We are going to continue our Concert Ministry Series; One of the great lessons from the concert ministry is learning how to recognize the lack of dominion, how to gain dominion, and how to keep dominion.

**2 Corinthians 10:3–4** <sup>3</sup>For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup>For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds.

### I SPIRITUAL REALITY:

**A-** We operate in a physical dimension.

1. This means we primarily live by our senses: *sight/hearing/feel/smell/taste*
2. So we do practical things in the concert to see people saved-
  - a. Prayer meeting/bands/testimony/drama/video/preaching-

**B-** But what we do is also very spiritual-

1. **2 Corinthians 10:3–4**... We operate in a physical dimension, but there is an active and real spiritual dimension
  - a. It's not just music, life stories, acting, viral vids, and a disciple getting the mic at the end... ITS WARFARE!
2. If this is true, then it would change your approach to everything you are doing.

**C-** But, believers can miss this or forget this reality-

1. Churches begin to only focus only on the natural aspects; We need better/more of/location/lighting/food/tickets...
  - a. All of those things contribute a quality... But it isn't the answer for dominion...
    - i. The devil doesn't run in fear b/c you got a new digital board, or a better fog machine, or an LED light system-

### II DOMINION LESSONS:

**A-** The foundation of dominion lessons is seeing life through a spiritual lens

a. **Matt 11:12** From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force.

1. When you see life through a spiritual lens, you begin to recognize the battle for dominion!
  - a. You see the opposition: Why isn't this working/Why didn't anyone respond/Why weren't there visitors?
  - b. You see the strange coincidences: Cancellations/Removal/Authorities hindering
  - c. You see the areas you have dominion and where you don't: *You can get visitors, but no one responds... people respond but never come back... people come back, but only once...* That's a DOMINION issue!

**B-** When you start to see it, now you can begin to learn how to gain it-

1. The answer to spiritual problems is spiritual weapons; **2 Corinthians 10:4** Divine weapons-
  - a. Prayer: Prayer is key in spiritual warfare!
  - b. Fasting: Relying on God/Seeking wisdom and strategy
  - c. Outreach: Presses the battle to enemy territory
  - d. Giving: In faith for a specific arena

**C-** From this, you will gain dominion and learn how to keep it- **2 Corinthians 10:4** Destroy Strongholds!

1. The weapons of warfare will destroy established enemies/long-term things/narratives
2. But once you have dominion, you need to PROTECT IT!
  - a. Living right: Righteous living protects the breakthrough...
    - i. Rebellion & Sexual immorality permeates the church... Carnality defiles the spirit
  - b. Expectation: Once you experience dominion, you won't want to go back to barrenness!

### III DOMINION RESULTS:

**A-** The results of gaining dominion are observable;

1. Liberty: In whatever you do... People come, people are open and responsive, people are into it
2. Conversion: People get saved and lock in! *Not just a prayer, they become part of the church.*
3. Atmosphere: There's a heart for evangelism/there's a unity/there's a hunger for discipleship