

We see that **the fight against evil, unseen forces involves a delicate balance between two extremes.**

- **We should be confident in God.** We should not be fearful, but faithful. When we face the armies of darkness, we can confidently resist and defeat them by trusting in God's power and his love for us.
- **We should also be humble.** We should not think of ourselves too highly. Our confidence in God should not lead us to conceit, boasting or mocking. Our confidence should be in God, not in ourselves.

*[Conclude with a humble prayer of dependence on God]*

\*1 Peter 5:5 is a quotation of Proverbs 3:34. James 4:6 also quotes this proverb, and Jesus puts it in his own words in Luke 18:14.