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10. Powers behind the powers

1. The real fight

is the spiritual battle

Daniel 10:13

But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia.

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Revelation 12:4-5

The dragon stood in front of the woman who was about to give birth, so that it might devour her child the moment he was born. She gave birth to a son, a male child, who 'will rule all the nations with an iron sceptre.' And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne.

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John 1:3-8

The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work.

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Ephesians 6:12

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.



1. The real fight

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Ephesians 6:10

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.

2. The real prayer

(i) is the way that we fight

Daniel 10:2-3

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2. The real prayer

(ii) is not always obvious

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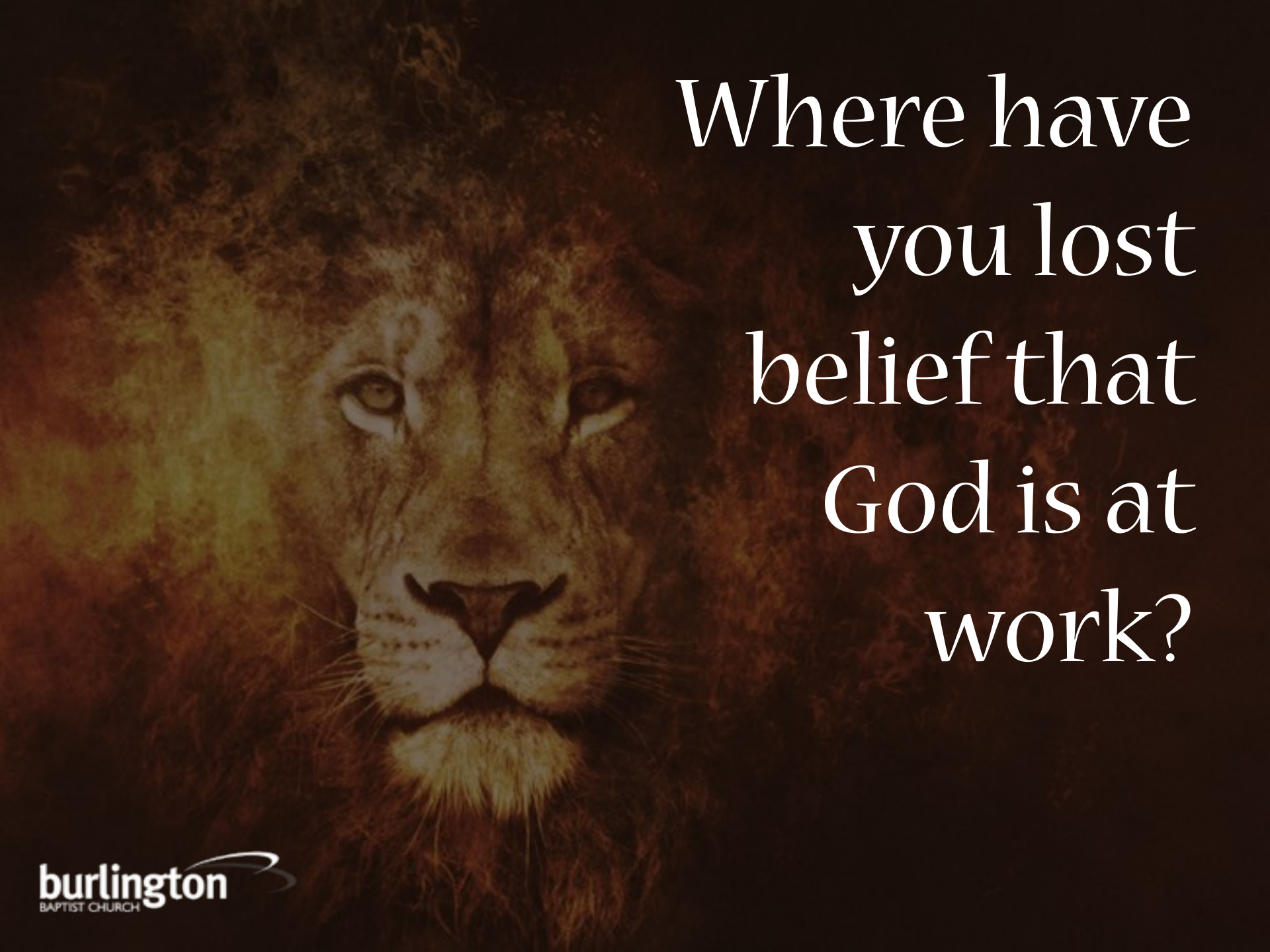
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Daniel 10:12

Then he continued, 'Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them



Where have
you lost
belief that
God is at
work?

2. The real prayer

(iii) has a spiritual target

2 Corinthians 4:3-4

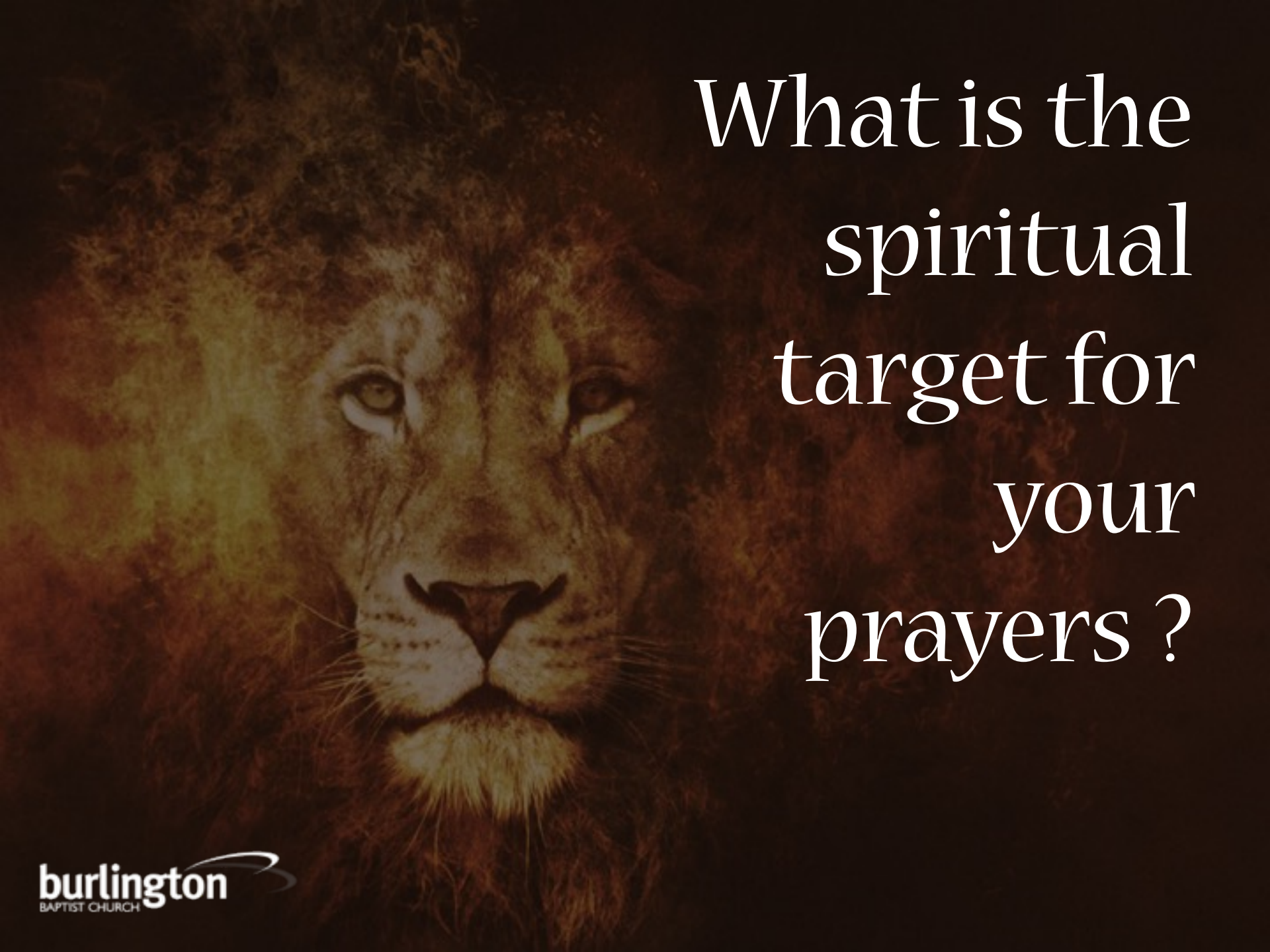
And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing. The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

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(iii) has a spiritual target

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.



What is the
spiritual
target for
your
prayers ?

3. The real call

to live the incarnation

Daniel 10:19

‘Do not be afraid, you who are highly esteemed,’ he said. ‘Peace! Be strong now; be strong.’


When he spoke to me, I was strengthened and said, ‘Speak, my lord, since you have given me strength.’

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John 1:14

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.



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