

15. The battle is for the control of our minds & hearts & spirits, bodies as well, which will follow, & just like they did in the Garden of Eden, it was through the words that they spoke that they tried to influence Adam & Eve. It's a battle, a wrestling match for spiritual control, & it's largely done through words & communication, influences. You can call it "words", but they don't always speak in words, they also give pictures & thoughts. The Lord gives warnings & good thoughts, & the Enemy gives temptations. So there's a battle of the mind, a battle of the spirit, a battle of the heart, which winds up in the battle of the body!

16. So there's a tremendous battle going on in Heaven, yes, but the battle is over us! God & His Angels are trying to conquer us, the Devil & his demons are trying to conquer us, & the whole thing is dependent on us & our decisions & the way we go. It's not like some totally independent warfare going on in Heaven that has nothing to do with us, it has everything to do with us! The whole thing is about us & for or against us & over us, it's all dependent on us! That's what the whole Creation is about. That's why God created Man, to make choices & decisions, for or against Him!

17. We are the ones who control the tide of battle! We are the ones who decide whether God or the Devil is going to win! God has left the choice up to us up to a certain point where He finally steps in & cries, "Foul! Penalty! Stop the game!" And because the other side is doing wrong, they forfeit the game & we win, because we made the right choices, we listened to the right voices, we obeyed the right commands, we did the right things.

18. And the battle is not for or against our Salvation, that is already settled! That's completely settled by the Lord, we're saved. The battle is for the souls of men & their actions & their deeds & their words & attentions & all that sort of thing, & which way goes the World. TIL! THE SALVATION BATTLE IS SETTLED!

19. So far, as far as I can see, as far as the World is concerned, it looks pretty much like the Church has lost & the World has won! But that's the way the Lord knew it would be, because He said, "Strait is the gate & narrow is the way which leadeth unto life, & few there be that find it. But broad is the way & wide is the gate that leadeth unto destruction, & many there be

that go in thereat!"—Mat. 7:13, 14. So the Lord knows that the vast majority of Mankind are wrong & going the wrong way & He's giving an illustration to all the forces of Heaven & Hell what happens if Man is given his choice!

20. The whole war is dependent on us & our choices! That's the way God has set down the rules of the game. If we listen to His signals & we play according to His rules, then our side wins & we win individually & collectively & the other side loses, because their ability to fight & to win or lose is entirely dependent on us & which way we go, which way Man goes. And as far as I can see right now, it looks like the Devil is winning the World. But of course, as we know, the Lord & we will win in the long run. God will win with His minority over the Devil's majority!

21. It proves that Man cannot really be trusted with choice! Man has to be ruled by a rod of iron, by force! Only a few glorious heroes are able to be trusted with choice & will choose to follow the Lord & not the Enemy. Praise the Lord!

22. The war is not decided by just one battle either, there are a lot of battles!—Some we lose & some we win, & we just hope we win most of 'm & don't lose too many! We don't win 'm all, but thank God, we win most of 'm!—Amen?—Are you winning or losing?

MORE ON MAMA'S EYES!

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—Read Less & Talk More!—Mama Letters!

1. I was praying about your eyes this morning & you know what came to me?: That the Lord wants you to talk more! Maybe if you'll obey the Lord He'll heal your eyes. Get your tape recorder & just talk into it. Don't have any talks with anybody on the intercom or in person without having it recorded, just like you do with me.

2. The prophecy said you've been leaning on the arm of flesh. (See "Prayer & Answer for Mama's Eyes", #2332) I think maybe that means you've been leaning on your eyes too much & reading everybody else's material, letters, reports etc. & making that most of your work instead of leaning on the inspiration of the