

## **The Fight**

*“For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.” Ephesians 6:12*

I got to go down to the rally last Sunday and it was great! There were thousands of people that were there to take a stand for the truth. I then got to go down to the Capital on Tuesday and listen to people as they gave testimonies to either support or oppose House Bill 444. The more that I listened the more I came to see that we are in the midst of a war and the best way to describe it is with the Truth Project. There is a Cosmic Battle going on all around us, on one side the truth on the other a lie. As I sat there listening to testimony after testimony in support of the bill, the Lord really spoke to my heart. My struggle isn't against these people, but these people have been deceived. They have bought into the lie hook, line and sinker.

I asked the question of what I should do now, and the Lord responded by giving me the passage in Ephesians. I know that I need to write to my Senators and let them know that I oppose this, but more than that I need to understand that the biggest thing that I need to do is *pray*. I need to pray for the leaders of Hawaii that they are able to make right decisions and the only way that this will happen is if they enter into a relationship with the Lord. I need to pray for the people that have bought the lie, that they too can come to understand that they are sinners, just like everyone else and that only through Jesus Christ and what He did for us on the cross can they be saved. I also need to pray for myself that the Lord would lead and guide me and show me what His plan is for me and that I can be obedient to His calling.

I just want to encourage you this week that prayer is a powerful, but most time underused tool available to every Christian. Set aside some time this week and talk to the Lord. Give yourself some time to listen to what He is trying to tell you, and then be obedient to our Lord and Savior.

~ Youth Pastor, Eli