

## Give Him An Inch... Sunday, April 15<sup>th</sup> 2018

**ochuroma (okh-oo'-ro-mah); to fortify, a strong castle, a prisoner locked by deception.**

### **A STRONGHOLD IS:**

- A PLACE OF STRENGTH – WHERE EVIL IS ENTRENCHED.
- NOT OUT IN THE OPEN – OR EASILY EXPOSED.
- WELL DEFENDED AND DIFFICULT TO ATTACK.

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. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

### **1) IDENTIFY THE STRONGHOLD.**

2 Timothy 2:26 ...they will come to their senses and escape from the trap of the devil, who has taken them captive to do his will.

John 8:44 ...When (the devil) lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

- \_\_\_ **Material/Financial Strongholds**
- \_\_\_ **Addictive/Habitual Strongholds**
- \_\_\_ **Personal/Physical Stronghold**
- \_\_\_ **Relational Strongholds**
- \_\_\_ **Spiritual Stronghold**

**Name your biggest stronghold:\_\_\_\_\_.**

### **2) ATTACK THE STRONGHOLD WITH GOD'S WEAPONS.**

Proverbs 21:22 (THE MESSAGE) A wise man scales the city of the mighty and brings down the stronghold in which they trust.

### **3) DEMOLISH STRONGHOLDS WITH GOD'S TRUTH.**

John 8:31 Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. <sup>32</sup> Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

2 Corinthians 10:5 We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

Isaiah 61:1 The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me...He has sent me to...to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners.