

# Amber's Article

The WORD over our SOCKS!

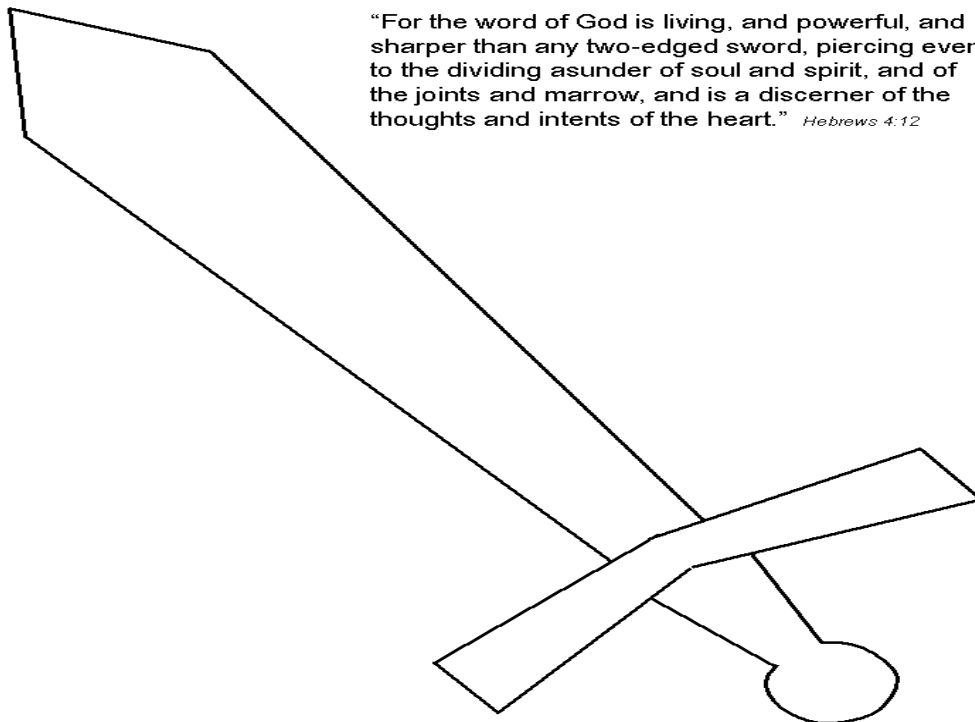


Well? Did anybody put away their laundry or match up their socks this week? I have to say that **LITERALLY** I did...I put away the laundry and hung up clothes. (I love summer time cause there are virtually **NO SOCKS** to match up!) but spiritually, I think I still let it sit out in cluttered knots of worry. Not much time in the presence of my God. I had the best of intentions but...“things just got in the way.” Sound familiar to anyone? You are not alone!

As I attempted some quiet solitude one night this week...while taking Taylor & her friend Grace on a night swim...I floated in the deep end of the community pool at my mom's house while they played in the beautifully lit up water of the shallow end. It was quite tranquil until a couple of voices from some men talking about their respective vocations and the problems therein (some of which I recognized from work I had done in the past) interrupted my time in the presence of my Lord...with a vengeance! I tried and tried to tune them out but the devil was dead-set on interrupting! I asked the girls if we could go back into the house because my “ears were hurting” ...and I was **NOT** telling a lie! (Although they thought it was because I dove in the deep in and popped my ears) I realized that even in the stillness and tranquil times we try so hard to come by, that nasty devil is going to try to distract us in any way possible...either by our own thoughts or the nails-on-a-chalk-board effect of our surroundings.

So what can we do about this? By arming ourselves with the Sword of God! (notice the word **WORD** is in the word **WORD**). Pray thru scripture! Oh my **GOODNESS** what a difference it makes! Using the Word of God against the enemy **AND** in our own conversations **WITH** God. It's transforming! I made an illustration of a sword by tracing the outline of it with my favorite scripture passages (Book: Ch: V.) My challenge to you this week —I know, I know, **ANOTHER** challenge! Haha!— is to draw your own Scripture **WORD**. Use this diagram below and write down the scripture passages that make up your **WORDS**! Write them all the way around it! Fill in the middle if you want to! **This is your SWORD! The WORD of God! Don't let it's power be underestimated!**

Grace & Agape, Amber



“For the word of God is living, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.” *Hebrews 4:12*

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