Boom of the Cannon

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I have a good, Spirit filled friend in Colorado who writes something similar to my Prayer Focus, and she gave me permission to use all or part of hers from last week. When I read her first paragraph, it really spoke to my heart, so the next paragraph is hers with an added sentence from her second paragraph:

"Before my husband went to be with the Lord he did something he always wanted to do. He made a cannon with some old wagon wheels and an axle. It turned out good, even making a loud 'Boom' with acetylene and a match! However, if you put a ball in the PVC barrel, all it would do was blow off the end of the barrel. I think about the use of cannons in past battles. It was the biggest weapon they had for many years. What if one side never fired the cannons, just made big booms? They would have been waving a white flag as they dealt with the power of the other side... When I read the Declaration of Independence I think of the problems in our country, (and according to the Declaration) it sounds like we are to be a unified country that cares about one another and works for the good of all."

After reading that, my first thought was one of the many things Paul said would happen in the last days (HELLO! We're there!). 2 Timothy 3:5a: shows us just one of many changes people will display: "... having a form of godliness but denying its power..." I believe many of us in the church today are a representation of that cannon - we might make a lot of noise, but we don't operate in the POWER we are meant to wield against our enemies! In 2 Cor. 10:3-5 it says: "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." Where is the divine POWER in our lives? This country needs those of us who claim to be Christians, to learn to walk in our God given divine power and authority to push back the darkness invading every facet of our lives!

The enemy is running rampant in many areas of our lives, and his "cannons" have been effective because no one is fighting back against him, and if they are, it's with "cannons" without any ammunition in them! The enemy of our souls is using politicians from both sides of the aisle to make "booming" statements to slander others and bring division to our nation - more so with every passing day!

Come back next week and we'll discuss what (according to the Bible) we need to do to have genuine, effective divine fire power... Amen!