



EQUIPPED #2 - STAND STRONG IN THE LORD

Ephesians 6:10-17

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EQUIPPED FOR BATTLE

¹⁰ A final word: Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. ¹² For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm. ¹⁴ Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness. ¹⁵ For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared. ¹⁶ In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil. ¹⁷ Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. **Ephesians 6:10-17**

UNDERSTANDING THE **WHOLE** ARMOR OF GOD

THE BELT OF **TRUTH**

Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth **(6:14)**

¹¹ For Jesus is the one referred to in the Scriptures, where it says, 'The stone that you builders rejected has now become the cornerstone.' ¹² There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved." **Acts 4:11-12**

⁷ The instructions of the Lord are perfect, reviving the soul. The decrees of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. ⁸ The commandments of the Lord are right, bringing joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are clear, giving insight for living. ⁹ Reverence for the Lord is pure, lasting forever. The laws of the Lord are true; each one is fair. ¹⁰ They are more desirable than gold, even the finest gold. They are sweeter than honey, even honey dripping from the comb. ¹¹ They are a warning to your servant, a great reward for those who obey them.

Ps. 19:7-11

THE BREAST PLATE OF **RIGHTEOUSNESS**

the body armor of God's righteousness. **(6:14)**

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! **2 Cor. 5:17**

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Cor. 5:21 NIV

THE GOSPEL OF **PEACE**

For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared. **(6:15)**

⁷ How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!" **Isaiah 52:7**

THE SHIELD OF FAITH

In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil. **(6:16)**

Faith shows the reality of what we hope for; it is the evidence of things we cannot see. **Hebrews 11:1**

So faith comes from hearing, that is, hearing the Good News about Christ. **Romans 10:17**

HELMET OF SALVATION

Put on salvation as your helmet **(6:17)**

But let us who live in the light be clearheaded, protected by the armor of faith and love, and wearing as our helmet the confidence of our salvation. **1 Thes. 5:8**

THE SWORD OF THE SPIRIT

and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. **(6:17)**

OUR ARMOR WAS HIS ARMOR

The Lord looked and was displeased to find there was no justice. ¹⁶ He was amazed to see that no one intervened to help the oppressed. So he himself stepped in to save them with his strong arm, and his justice sustained him. ¹⁷ He put on righteousness as his body armor and placed the helmet of salvation on his head. He clothed himself with a robe of vengeance and wrapped himself in a cloak of divine passion. ¹⁸ He will repay his enemies for their evil deeds. His fury will fall on his foes. He will pay them back even to the ends of the earth. ²⁰ “The Redeemer will come to Jerusalem to buy back those in Israel who have turned from their sins,” says the Lord. **Isaiah 59:15-20**

“The armor of God, Christ’s armor, is not a pristine, clean outfit: it is already bloodied from his fight. Christ’s faithfulness took him all the way to the cross, where he won his final victory.” Ian M. Duguid

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

What is the most important piece of the Armor of God?

What is your favorite piece of the armor?

What is piece of the armor would you consider needs work?

How does it make you feel to know Jesus wore the same armor you were issued?

Are you not entertained? Is this not why you are here?