



“Each Piece Put On With Prayer”

Ephesians 6:10-18

# Our Armor Is Designed To Defend

- **The belt of truth**
- Truth holds our lives together by giving direction and purpose
  - Titus 1:1 - “Paul, a bondservant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect and the acknowledgment of the truth which accords with godliness”

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- **The belt of truth**
- Truth frees us from sin, which can tangle our lives
  - John 8:32 - “And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.”
  - Heb. 12:1 - “Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us”

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- **The breastplate of righteousness**
- Doing that which is good and right will guard our hearts (emotions). Ungodly living brings guilt, pain, fear, and judgment
  - Phil. 3:9 - “And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith”

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  - 2Cor. 5:21 - “For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.”
  - 1Peter 1:16 - “It is written, ‘Be holy, for I am holy.’”

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- **The boots of the Gospel**

- 1Peter 3:15 - “But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear”

- **The gospel is God's power for salvation**

- Rom. 1:16-17 - “For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, The just shall live by faith.”

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- **The boots of the Gospel**
- Armed with the gospel, we have feet that enable us to press forward with the message to others
  - Rom. 10:15 - “And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!’”

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- **The shield of faith**

- Heb. 11:1-2, 6 - “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.  
2 For by it the elders obtained a good testimony...  
6 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.”

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- **The shield of faith**
- Strong conviction in God can protect us from every fiery dart Satan can throw at us (false doctrine, lusts of the flesh, opposition). This faith comes only from the Word of God
  - Rom. 10:17 - “So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.”

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- **The helmet of salvation**
- Paul speaks of the hope of salvation as our helmet. The hope that salvation gives protects our minds from despair and fear
  - 1Thes. 5:8 - “But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation.”

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- **The sword of the Spirit**
- The Word of God is the offensive weapon that Christians must use in battle
  - Heb. 4:12 - “For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

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- **The sword of the Spirit**
  - Acts 2:36-37 - “Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ. 37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, ‘Men and brethren, what shall we do?’”
  - Acts 7:54 - “When they heard these things they were cut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with their teeth.”

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- The primary Greek word for the Word is “logos.” This refers to the totality of the Word of God. However, the word used here is “rhema.” While logos refers to the entire armory of the Bible, rhema refers to a specific word, the right sword for that battle.
  - Matt. 4:1-11
  - 2Tim. 2:15 - “Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.”



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- **Supplication in the Spirit**
- Prayer is a means whereby we remain watchful
  - Matt. 26:41 - “Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.”

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- **Supplication in the Spirit**
- Prayer enables us to persevere in the prolonged war
  - Luke 18:1-8
  - 1Thes. 5:17 - “Pray without ceasing”
  - Col. 4:2 - “Continue earnestly in prayer, being vigilant in it with thanksgiving”

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- **Supplication in the Spirit**
- Prayer enables us to help soldiers on other battlefields
  - Eph. 6:19-20 - “...and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.”

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- If we put on the whole armor of God, we will stand against the Adversary and win the victory
  - 1Cor. 15:57-58 - “But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 58 Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”