WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD



The Apostle of Paul is warning the Church of God in Ephesus

and us today, to put on the armour of God and follow God's Truth. We cannot do the will of God without His Holy Spirit living in us! Eph 6:10-, "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Why do we need armour? We need to be able to have the full assurance that we have God's help and protection. Eph 6: 13, "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."

The first piece of armour is to have the TRUTH of God's Word as our shield in battle! Vs. 14, "Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness." We must have our loins girded with the belt of truth. A breast plate protects the vital organs from harm. The belt of truth holds everything together. Truth supports who we are, by living truth, we show we are standing for God and His Word. The breastplate guards our hearts. It is important to have our heart fully following God Truth!

We must have our feet in good shoes to be able to be stable. Vs.15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." We are to be able to stand up against all the evil darts Satan and his demons throw against us. We must be stable, we cannot let the darkness of discouragment take over and take the peace of God from us!

Vs.16, "Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." A shield of faith will keep us from

letting the darts of Satan, this world and its ways from piercing our armour! We are encouraged to keep the Faith! Israel was

told by Isaiah, Isa 7:9, ".......If you do not stand firm in your faith, you will not stand at all." (New International Version). We must take this warning to our hearts and minds.

Vs.17, "And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God." A helmet guards our minds from the evil around us. We do not want our salvation to be taken from us because we are to lazy to study the Word of God. This is our sword against deception and apostasy. Vs.18, Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints." Prayer, study and fasting keeps us close to our Father and His beloved Son, Jesus the Christ.

The apostle Paul leaves us with these words. Vs 23-24, "Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen."

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