## Put on the Whole Armour of God

Seven Items

## Ephesians 6:13 to 18

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.

1/ Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and 2/ having on the breastplate of righteousness;

And 3/ your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Above all, 4/ taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

And 5/ take the helmet of salvation, and 6/ the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

7/ Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

1/ -loins) the part of the body on both sides of the spine between the lowest ribs and the hipbones., the region of the sexual organs, or sexual drive.

Truth, Jesus said He was the Truth. (John 14:6) Many are relatively truthful, but not to themselves. The Holy Spirit will try and bring things to our attention, and we will make excuses as to why it don't apply to us or for us. We RATIONALIZE or lie to ourselves and God.

But if we are honest with God and ourselves, then satan has no toe hold to tempt us, especially through the Lust of the flesh and the Just of the eyes. (1 John 2:16) Look at how many Christians have erred because of their sexual appetite.

Satan is no fool. If we have put on truth (Christ) then be truthful in all.

2/-breastplate a piece of armour covering the chest.

-righteousness: a person's conduct, morally right or justifiable; virtuous

The chest cavity is where your vital organs are, heart, lungs, liver etc. The breastplate protects these. When you put on Christ the Holy Spirit cleansed you from all unrighteousness.

(1 John 1:9) But if you start cutting corners, Not being honest, your virtuous and morals slipping. Your breastplate begins to crumble.

3/ **-feet** 

the lower extremity of the leg below the ankle, on which a person stands or walks.

You will not walk off a cliff, so our lifestyle should not walk in the counsel of the ungodly (Psalms 1:1). In other words peace protects against depression, anger, envy, strife and so on. As a Christian this is the one thing you have access to (if you want it) that the world cannot have and that is total inner peace. Without proper footwear, Satan can throw glass, nails and sharp objects to cause pain or get your eyes off Jesus.

4/-shield

a broad piece of metal or another suitable material, held by straps or a handle attached on one side, used as a protection against blows or missiles.

The shield is a movable protector so you can divert different onsets of the enemy. But if you do not move it to combat different thrusts, you will be wounded. Faith is your shield and you use your faith to overcome or concur the trials of life or temptations. Without faith it is impossible to please God.

(<u>Hebrews 11:6</u>) Faith is not stationary, it is an act.

5/ -helmet

a hard or padded protective hat, various types

The helmet protects, soldiers, various sports as a matter of fact it is mandatory in most circumstances. Salvation in Christ is mandatory to get to heaven, without salvation you have no other armour.

6/ - the sword

military power, or destruction

The sword is what the soldier uses to defeat and cripple his enemy. The bible says that the word of God is quick and powerful, sharper than any two edged sword. (Hebrews 4:12)

Jesus gave us an example in defeating the devil using the

word of God. (Matthew 4:1 to 11) Beware of the religious people that say certain scriptures are not for today, but ceased after the Apostles in Jesus time passed away. These are after their father the devil.

7/ - the Spirit short for Holy Spirit.

all prayer and supplication in the Spirit

The last of our armour for the warfare against the devil is perhaps the most important for our overall victory. It is the seventh and LAST of the WHOLE armour of God and is the most misunderstood and ridiculed gift of the Holy Spirit.

Praying in the spirit IS NOT meditating or thinking. It is praying in tongues, an unknown tongue the bible says.

1 Corinthians 14:14 For if I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but my understanding is unfruitful.

If people would only believe God means what he says.

(Luke 11:13 ) If you ask for the evidence of speaking in an unknown tongue, if in doubt, read the book of Acts seven times and ask God

for the sign of speaking in an unknown language (tongues). DO NOT confuse this with the gifts of

Holy Spirit to the church. (1Corinthians 12:10) The unknown tongue is for YOU, your edification in the spirit and in the physical. Jude 20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, (unknown tongue)

The key here is build up yourselves you see the Holy Spirit not only builds you up spiritually (Romans 8:26) but in all ways, present, future, spiritually and physically.

Speaking in an unknown tongue - DOES NOT MAKE YOU A BETTER CHRISTIAN. But it is from God, to equip you with power to combat the enemy. (Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon) The KEY is ye shall receive POWER, after the Holy Ghost is come UPON you. REMEMBER, He Equips the Called. If you think speaking in tongues is to stupid or childish, this is fine, BUT don't bellyache because you never seem to be victorious. God provides the WHOLE armour and if you choose not to put it on. THAT'S YOUR CALL