Our Defense Against Demons (Part 3)

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Our DEFENSE against Satan/demons

1. God's response:

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- He restrains
 - He protects
- He intercedes

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2. Our response:

- We're on the defense
 - Don't give in to the flesh
 - Resist

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Rely on God and His gracePut on the full armor of God

Ephesians 6:10-11 (ESV)

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. (11)Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

Ephesians 6:12 (ESV)

For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places."

Ephesians 6:13 (ESV)

"Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to

stand firm."

The Armor of God (Eph. 6:14-17)



v. 14: Belt of truth v. 14: Breastplate of righteousness v. 15: Shoes of peace v. 16: Shield of faith v. 17: Helmet of salvation v. 17: Sword of the Spirit

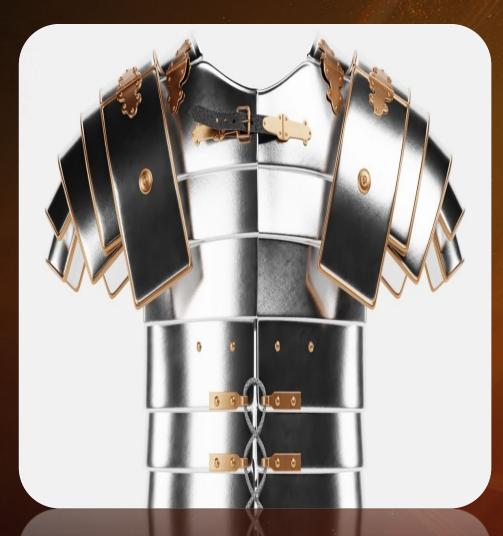
Belt of Truth (Eph. 6:14)



To STAND FIRM in the truth of God's Word, and to walk in personal integrity

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Breastplate of Righteousness (Eph. 6:14)



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Our righteous *character and deeds* stemming from understanding our positional righteousness.

Shoes of Peace (Eph. 6:15)



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The pursuit of peace and unity within the church, based on our knowledge that we are at peace and unity with God.

Shield of Faith (Eph. 6:16)



Confidently trusting in who God is and what He **says / promises / gives** in order to withstand the enemy's attacks.

Philippians 4:19 (ESV)

"And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."



Psalm 37:25 (ESV)

"I have been young, and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken or his children begging for bread."



Helmet of Salvation (Eph. 6:17)



Knowing, and continuing to immerse ourselves, in the knowledge and wisdom of God (sanctified thinking leading to sanctified living)

Joshua 1:8 (ESV)

"This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success."

Psalm 1:1–3 (ESV)

"Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; (2) but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on His law he meditates day and night. (3)He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers."

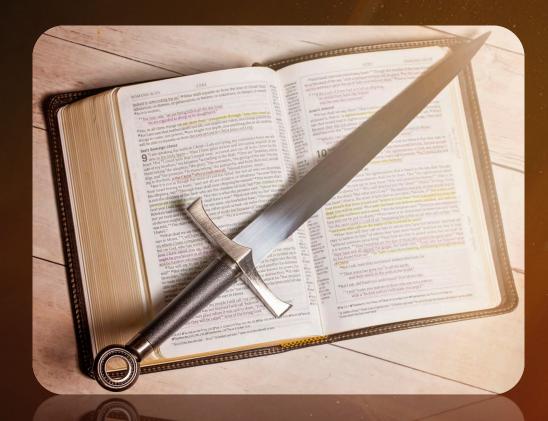
Romans 12:2 (ESV)

"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."

Philippians 4:8 (ESV)

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things."

Sword of the Spirit (Eph. 6:17)



Skillfully, knowledgably speaking and applying God's written Word in order to overcome the schemes of the devil.

2 Peter 1:20–21 (ESV)

"knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. (21)For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit."

2 Timothy 3:16–17 (ESV)

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, (17)that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work."

Luke 4:3–4 (ESV)

"The devil said to Him, 'If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread.' (4)And Jesus answered him, 'It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.''"

Luke 4:5–6 (ESV)

"And the devil took Him up and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, (6)and said to Him, 'To You I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will.'"

Luke 4:7–8 (ESV)

"'If You, then, will worship me, it will all be Yours.' (8)And Jesus answered him, 'It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and Him only shall you serve.''"

Luke 4:9–11 (ESV)

"And he took Him to Jerusalem and set Him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to Him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here, (10)for it is written, 'He will command His angels concerning You, to guard You,' (11) and 'On their hands they will bear You up, lest You strike Your foot against a stone.""

Luke 4:12 (ESV)

"And Jesus answered him, 'It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.""

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Luke 4:13 (ESV)

"And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time."