

## The Armor from God

Ephesians 6:10-18

The Gospel of Peace

- The Christian has spiritual three enemies that are opposed to living the Christian life.
  - The sin nature or flesh attacks through the soul: emotions and senses.
  - Satan attacks through the human spirit: rational mind.
  - A mental battle of wills; thought—counter thought.
  - The armor from God is an empowerment to stand against the devil.
  - The importance of the whole armor: not piecemeal.
- A.** You bind yourselves about surrounded by **truth** (Eph. 6:14).
- a. Measuring the situation by Scripture.
  - b. Identify the enemy as Satan, take attack seriously, and pinpoint the exact lust from Satan.
  - c. Resists lying, tattling/gossip.
- B.** You clothe yourselves with the breastplate consisting of **righteousness** (Eph. 6:14).
- a. Your positional righteousness in Christ (1 Cor. 1:30-31; 2 Cor. 6:7; Eph. 4:23-24; Eph. 5:8-9; Phil. 1:11).
  - b. The Breastplate of Righteousness is reminding one's self that any righteousness we have is by grace; we can only do what is right in God's sight by His power and His grace.
  - c. Resists pride, independence from God.
- C.** You strap on your feet the **readiness** concerning the Gospel of Peace.
- a. Peace with God (Rom. 5:1).
  - b. A gift from God, not earned.
  - c. Resists idleness, stealing, bitterness.
- D.** You take up the shield consisting of **the faith**.
- a. Be ready for Satan to shift his attack.
  - b. Changing circumstances or opportunities,
  - c. The faith: body of doctrine will work (1 Pet. 5:7-9; James 4:7; 1 Cor. 10:13, cf. Rom. 14:23).

**Breastplate**



**Doubt**