

Putting on the Armor from God (Eph. 6:10-17)

The Gospel of Peace.

- I.** The Christian's defense against spiritual enemies consists of human response to divine enabling (1 Cor. 10:9-13).
 1. We cannot resist Satan on our own; God designs the way out.
 - 1) The Old Testament presents the Nation Israel as an example of what not to do—an admonition, a warning (v. 11).
 - 2) We must believe and understand that God always has a plan for His people (*cf.* Num 14:1-3; 21:5-9).
 2. If someone supposes he stands on his own, watch out, he is likely to fall (1 Cor. 10:12; Jam. 4:7).
- II.** Feet shod with the readiness concerning the Gospel of Peace (Eph. 6:15).
 1. Preparation—being ready (1 Pet. 3:15; Rom. 10:14-15).
 2. Peace—an end of hostilities (2 Cor. 5:19; Eph. 2:13-14).
 3. The Gospel: *see supplement* "The Gospel for Salvation."
- III.** The feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace is a mental activity that preoccupies the mind and is counter to idleness and bitterness.