

Remaining Strong – Part 2

Ephesians 6:10-17

- I. Introduction – Real things that are impossible to see
- II. Review of Ephesians –
 - a. Focus on Ephesians 3:8-10 How? →4:1→5:1
 - b. Last Week – Ephesians 6:10-13 - Staying Strong Requires Knowing:
 - i. Where your strength is – 6:10; 1:19
 - ii. Who your real enemy is – 6:11, 12; 2Cor 2:11; 2Tim 2:24-3:5
 - iii. Know the Goal - _____ - 6:11-14a; 4:14

Ephesians 6:10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. **11** Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. **12** For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. **13** Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. **14** Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, **15** and having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE; **16** in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil *one*. **17** And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

- III. Armor of God – 6:14-17
 - a. 2 notes – 2 Groups of Armor and Much Written on this Subject
- IV. Armor of God – 6 Pieces:
 - a. Belt of Truth – Eph 6:14; John 8:31-32; Eph 4:15; 4:25; Phil 4:8; John 14:6; 17:17; 16:12
 - b. Breastplate of Righteousness – Eph 6:14; Pr 4:23; Matt 5:6
 - i. Imputed Righteousness – 2Cor 5:21; Phil 3:9; Galatians; Romans
 - ii. Imparted Righteousness – 1John 3:7-10
 - c. Feet Prepared with the Gospel of Peace – Eph 6:15; 2:17; Rom 10:15; 1Cor 15:3, 4; God/Man/God/Man (John 3:16)

d. Shield of Faith – Eph 6:16; Hebrews 11:6; Proverbs 30:5

e. Helmet of Salvation – Eph 6:17, 19; Rom 8:37-38; Matt 10:28

f. Sword of the Spirit - - Eph 6:17; Matt 4

Questions For Further Reflection –

- 1) Belt of Truth – How are you equipping yourself and equipping others with sound doctrine? Titus 2:2-8
- 2) Breastplate of Righteousness – In what ways has Satan caused you to believe you aren't capable of serving God in certain situations?
- 3) Prepared with the Gospel of Peace – Can you share the gospel in 2 minutes or less? Who can you practice on this week?
- 4) Shield of Faith – What promises of God do you need to trust in to combat or overcome the promises of sin and Satan?
- 5) Helmet of Salvation – What are you afraid of? Read Romans 8. In what areas is God calling you to take risks for His Kingdom and Glory?
- 6) Sword of the Spirit – What are your particular areas of weakness? What scriptures can you memorize to gain victory in your life?