



Part 6

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. (Ephesians 6:10-13)

I. Review

Belt of Truth - *Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist,* (Ephesians 6:14)

Temptations **TRIP** us up.

Breastplate of righteousness - *with the breastplate of righteousness in place,* (Ephesians 6:14)

The **HEART** - which represents the center of logic, thinking.

The **BOWELS** - which represents the center of emotion.

Shoes fitted with the Gospel of Peace

The word "Gospel" means **GOOD NEWS**

The **STABILITY** of Peace

The shield of FAITH - *In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.* (Ephesians 6:16, NIV)

II. The Helmet of **SALVATION**

Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.
(Ephesians 6:17, NIV)

The Soldier's Helmet

Salvation Defined:

PAST - *having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross.* (Colossians 2:14, NIV)

Could it be any clearer? Our old way of life was nailed to the cross with Christ, a decisive end to that sin-miserable life—no longer at sin's every beck and call! What we believe is this: If we get included in Christ's sin-conquering death, we also get included in his life-saving resurrection.
(Romans 6:6-8, The Message)

PRESENT - *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.* (1 John 1: 9, NIV)

FUTURE - *Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.*
(1 John 3:2, NIV)

III. Salvation as **PROTECTION**

A. Protection for the battles that rage in your **MIND**.

Satan's Board Sword:

1. **DOUBT**

- **QUESTIONS** are not doubt

2. **DISCOURAGEMENT**

B. Why do we get discouraged?

1. The battle lasts our **ENTIRE LIFE**

2. We get **TIRED**

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.
(Luke 18:1, NIV)

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. (Galatians 6:9, NIV)

IV. Victory is certain!

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.
(1 Corinthians 15:57, NIV)

for everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. (1 John 5:4, NIV)