

Bible Study: Ephesians 6:10ff

The Whole Armor of God

What do **2 Timothy 2:4**, **James 4:7-8**, and **1 Peter 5:8-9** remind us about? And, what directions are given relative to ensuring our success?

As we read the main text today from **Ephesians 6:10 and following**, be consider how the two topics are related, then write a summary statement here:

Let's read: **Ephesians 6:10-13** – ¹⁰Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, THAT you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers, against rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore, take up the whole armor of God, THAT you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Anything stand out to you? Take Note:

What does it mean to be “**Strong**” in the Lord?

According to **Acts 1:8**, what is a primary source of empowerment of God’s people today?

What are some synonyms for “**wiles**” as used in **verse 11**? What does this tell you about your opponent?

What does it mean to be the “last man standing,” anyway?

In what case would the armor of the Christian soldier be least effective?

Let’s continue, starting with **Ephesians 6:14 and following** –

Stand therefore, having girded your waist with TRUTH, having put on the breastplate of RIGHTEOUSNESS, ¹⁵and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; ¹⁶above all, taking the shield of FAITH with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. ¹⁷And take the helmet of SALVATION, and the sword of the SPIRIT, which is the word of God;

Additional verses regarding...

1) Girding your loins / waist with Truth –

2) The Breastplate of Righteousness –

3) Shodding the feet with the preparation of the Gospel of Peace –

4) Shield of Faith –

5) Helmet of Salvation –

6) Sword of the Spirit –

Read and consider how the following passages tie into the topic at hand: **Galatians 3:27**, and **Romans 13:13-14** – Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts.

Ephesians 6:18-20 – praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints – ¹⁹and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.