

THE ARMOR OF GOD

Ephesians 6:10-17

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The **FRUITS** of what we see in the **PHYSICAL** more often than not find their **ROOTS** in the **REALITY** of the **SPIRITUAL**

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WE ARE IN A WAR

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

1 Peter 5:8

ARE YOU ENGAGED IN THIS WAR?

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SPIRITUAL WARFARE IS CLOSER TO HOME THAN YOU MIGHT REALIZE

DO YOU KNOW THE SPIRITUAL ATTRIBUTES THAT GOD HAS GIVEN US TO PROTECT US FROM DEMONIC ATTACK AND INFLUENCE?

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14 Stand firm then, with the belt of **truth** buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of **righteousness** in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of **peace**.

16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of **faith**, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of **salvation** and the sword of the Spirit, which is the **word of God**.

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2 Timothy 2:15 says we are to be those "who correctly handles the word of truth."

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You are of your father the devil, and you want to do the desires of your father. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 8:44

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RIGHTEOUSNESS

In the Greek Righteousness means - the *approval* of God or *what is deemed right by the Lord*

What the Connection with truth?

Truth is the standard of what is right and wrong

Righteousness is living in what is right and approved by God Vs. what is wrong or not approved by God

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PEACE

Peace of mind; the tranquil state of a soul assured of its salvation through Christ, and so fearing nothing from God

"I have said these things to you, that in me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world."

John 16:33

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FAITH

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the men of old gained approval.

Hebrews 11:1

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SALVATION

The Greek term emphasizes the **application** of God's salvation.

WHAT ARE THE APPLICATIONS OF GOD'S SALVATION...
OR...
WHAT ELSE HAVE WE GAINED THROUGH SALVATION?

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WORD OF GOD

The Greek word here is so important. It is *Rehma* or utterance... the word declared... the word spoken... the word used!

Do you use scripture against the enemy?
James 4 tells us to resist the enemy and he will flee.
Ephesian 6:17 tells us **HOW** to Resist the enemy...

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PAUL IS TRYING TO WAKE US UP TO THE REALITIES THAT:

The spiritual realm is **REAL**
We are in a **WAR**
The war is close to **HOME**
It's our responsibility to **PUT ON THE ARMOR**
We must **FIGHT** a spiritual war with spiritual weapons

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