

I'll be a Witness Series/Pivoting the Calling Part 17: All Dressed and Things to Complete Pt. 2

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Ephesians 6:14-18 ESV

Review of Ephesians 6:10-12

- Plant your flag, declaring your stand
- Walk in the offensive position

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 (Amplified Bible)

³For though we walk in the flesh [as mortal men], we are not carrying on our [spiritual] warfare according to the flesh *and* using the weapons of man. ⁴The weapons of our warfare are not physical [weapons of flesh and blood]. Our weapons are divinely powerful for the *destruction of fortresses*. ⁵*We are destroying* sophisticated *arguments* and every exalted *and proud thing* that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God, and *we are taking every thought (OUR THOUGHTS NOT OTHERS) and OUR purpose captive to the obedience of Christ*

2 Corinthians 2:11

So that we would not be outwitted by Satan; for we are not ignorant of his designs or schemes.

What DO we wrestle with? Ephesians 6:12

- Principalities or rulers *beginning or source* (familiar spirits – possess unbelievers and oppress believers)
- Authorities or powers (The demonic sergeants)
- Cosmic powers (rulers of darkness - world systems demons that influence kings)
- Spiritual forces (wicked spirits in the heavenlies – national demons)

Vs. 13 -Having done all (*katergazomai - to work fully*). Something on the *inside working itself out* – the Holy Spirit working with the Word. **Philippians 2:12**

This is not saying do all that you can do. Rather, it is saying allow the Holy Spirit to do all that He will do with the Word that has been deposited into you. To stand firm requires *having done all! This is NOT I tried everything...*

Vs. 14 – Stand therefore (oppose, resist). You can only stand when you have (*katergazomai*) allowed the Word to work fully.

Definition: Roman Legionary (legionarii) a professional heavy infantry of the Roman army that were used to conquer and defend the territories of the Roman Empire during the late Republic and Principate eras, alongside auxiliary and cavalry forces. They were the foremost fighting force in the Roman world. They were also builders and engineers.

Is your wardrobe (armor) complete?

1. Belt of Truth (Word)
2. Breastplate of Righteousness
3. Shoes with preparation of the gospel of peace (If the shoe fits wear it or wear it until they break you in)
4. Shield of faith
5. Helmet of Salvation
6. Sword of the Spirit
7. Word of God

Romans 13:12-14 (Amplified Bible)

¹² The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴ But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

1 Peter 1:13 ESV

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Factor Points (Worship, Learn, Serve)

- **Worship** - I will sing to the One who delivers me from all of my adversaries (**Psalm 144:1-2, 9-10**).
- **Learn** - A Battle Psalm of Prayer by David - Daily I declare God's protection and divine favor over my life, through the Word of God (**Psalm 5:11-12**).
- **Serve** - The greatest service I can provide to all people is the ministry of prayer (**Ephesians 6:18**).