

Ephesians 6:14-17

God's Armor for the Battle

- I. The command (v. 14a)
 - A. Stand
 - B. Satan's wiles for causing us to fall [an aside]
 - 1. Question God's truthfulness
 - 2. Question God's character
 - 3. Persecution
 - 4. False doctrine
 - 5. Division
 - 6. Self-reliance
 - 7. Hypocrisy
 - 8. Worldliness
 - 9. Disobedience
- II. The provision (vv. 14b-17)
 - A. The belt of truth (v. 14b)
 - 1. The indicative – provided truth
 - 2. The imperative – practiced truth
 - B. The breastplate of righteousness (v. 14c)
 - 1. The indicative – provided righteousness
 - 2. The imperative – practiced righteousness
 - C. The boots of peace (v. 15)
 - 1. The indicative – provided peace with God
 - 2. The imperative – practiced peace with God
 - D. The shield of faith (v. 16)
 - 1. The indicative – provided faith
 - 2. The imperative – practiced faith
 - E. The helmet of salvation (v. 17a)
 - 1. The indicative – provided salvation
 - 2. The imperative – practiced salvation
 - F. The sword of the Spirit (v. 17b-c)
 - 1. Defensively
 - 2. Offensively