

SESSION FOUR: PROTECTOR

A Tactical Field Manual for Men Behind Enemy Lines

BASECAMP

MEN'S CONFERENCE

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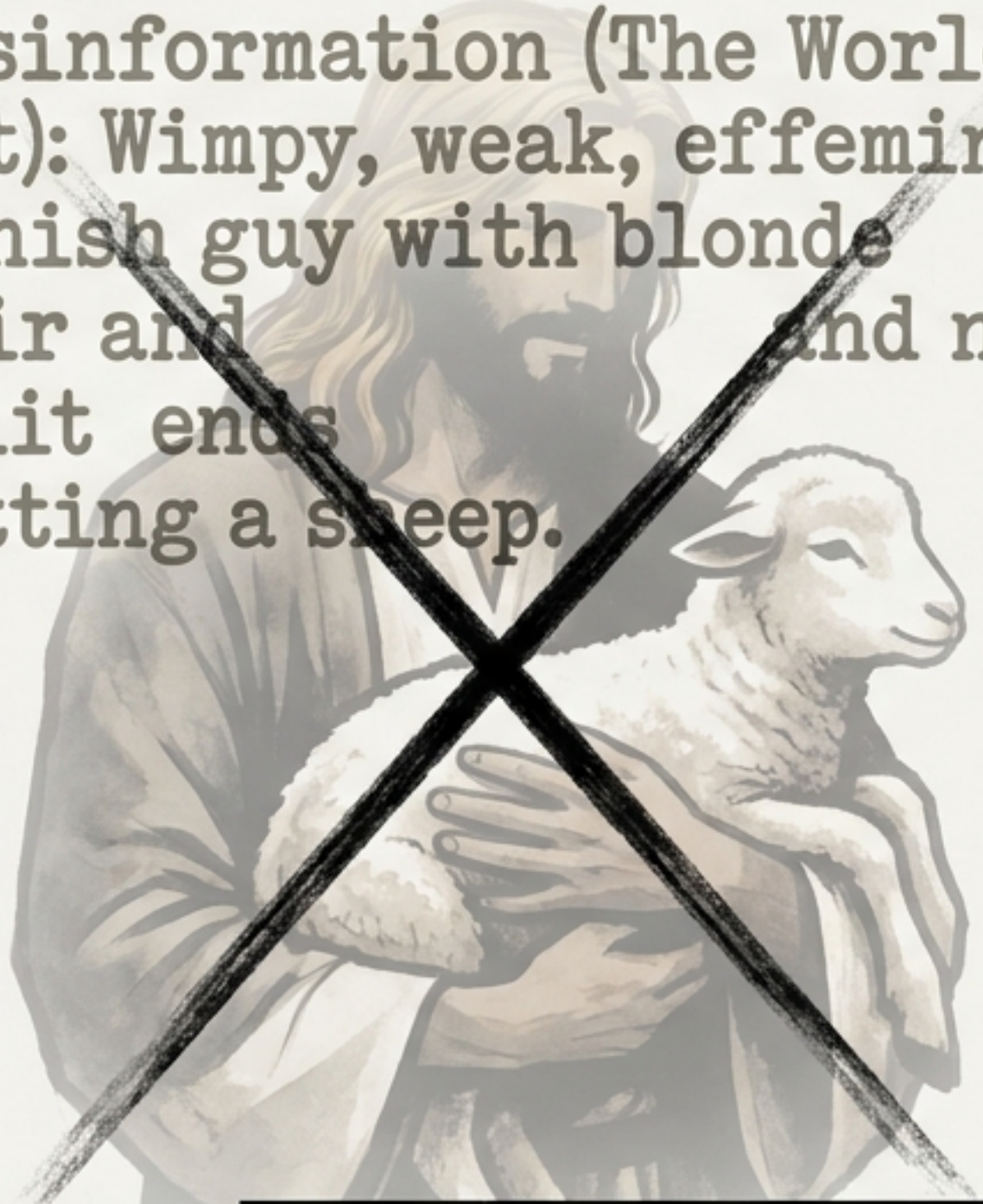
STATUS: Active Engagement

OBJECTIVE: Stand Firm

DIRECTIVE: 1 Corinthians 16:13

THE COMMANDER: A CORRECTIVE BRIEFING

Misinformation (The World's Art): Wimpy, weak, effeminate Danish guy with blonde hair and no split ends petting a sheep.



MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DOSSIER

Tactical Reality (The Word):
Conquering warrior
returning dressed in white.

- Made a whip.
- Flipped tables.
- Commands the wind and waves.
- Waiting for the Father's tap on the shoulder to bring His kids home.

**Being comfortable is not a Christian value.
We were born behind enemy lines.**

THREAT ASSESSMENT: THE DIRTY WAR CAMPAIGN



THE CROSS

Action: "It is finished."
Result: A lethal curb stomp to the enemy's head. The dragon receives a mortal wound.

BLEEDING OUT.

Action: Full-frontal attacks are impossible. Equal opposing forces do not exist.

CURRENT TACTICS.

Action: A dirty war of misinformation.
Result: Bot farms, poisonous algorithms, and subtle corruption of everything God creates.

Target List:
Primary
Attack Vectors



Marriage



Kids



Work

When someone stronger attacks... he divides up his plunder. (Greek translation: To have his own way with your wife, your kids, and those you love).

EXTREMES OF SPIRITUAL WARFARE

IGNORANCE (The Deer)

Mindset: Doesn't know the stakes. Just looking for corn.

Action: Unaware of the enemy seeking to steal, kill, and destroy.

Outcome: The one not prepared for battle will always lose.

PARANOIA (The Twitchy Finger)

Mindset: Sees demons in everything.

Action: Blaming traffic, work assignments, and every minor inconvenience on the devil.

Outcome: Popping warning shots out of fear. Ineffective and exhausting.

PREPARATION (The Basecamp Standard)

Mindset: Armed, alert, and grounded.

Action: Recognizing the enemy is spiritual (rulers, authorities, dark powers), not flesh and blood (boss, wife, kids, politicians).

Outcome: Standing firm. Fighting until the end (Saving Private Ryan-style wrestle).

TACTICAL LOADOUT: EPHESIANS 6

Put on the full armor of God... stand your ground.

CORE DEFENSES (Identity & Foundation)



**Belt of Truth
(Central Anchor)**



**Breastplate of
Righteousness
(Heart Guard)**



**Shoes of Peace
(Environmental Impact)**

ACTIVE COUNTER-MEASURES (Combat & Covering)



**Shield of Faith
(Phalanx Formation)**



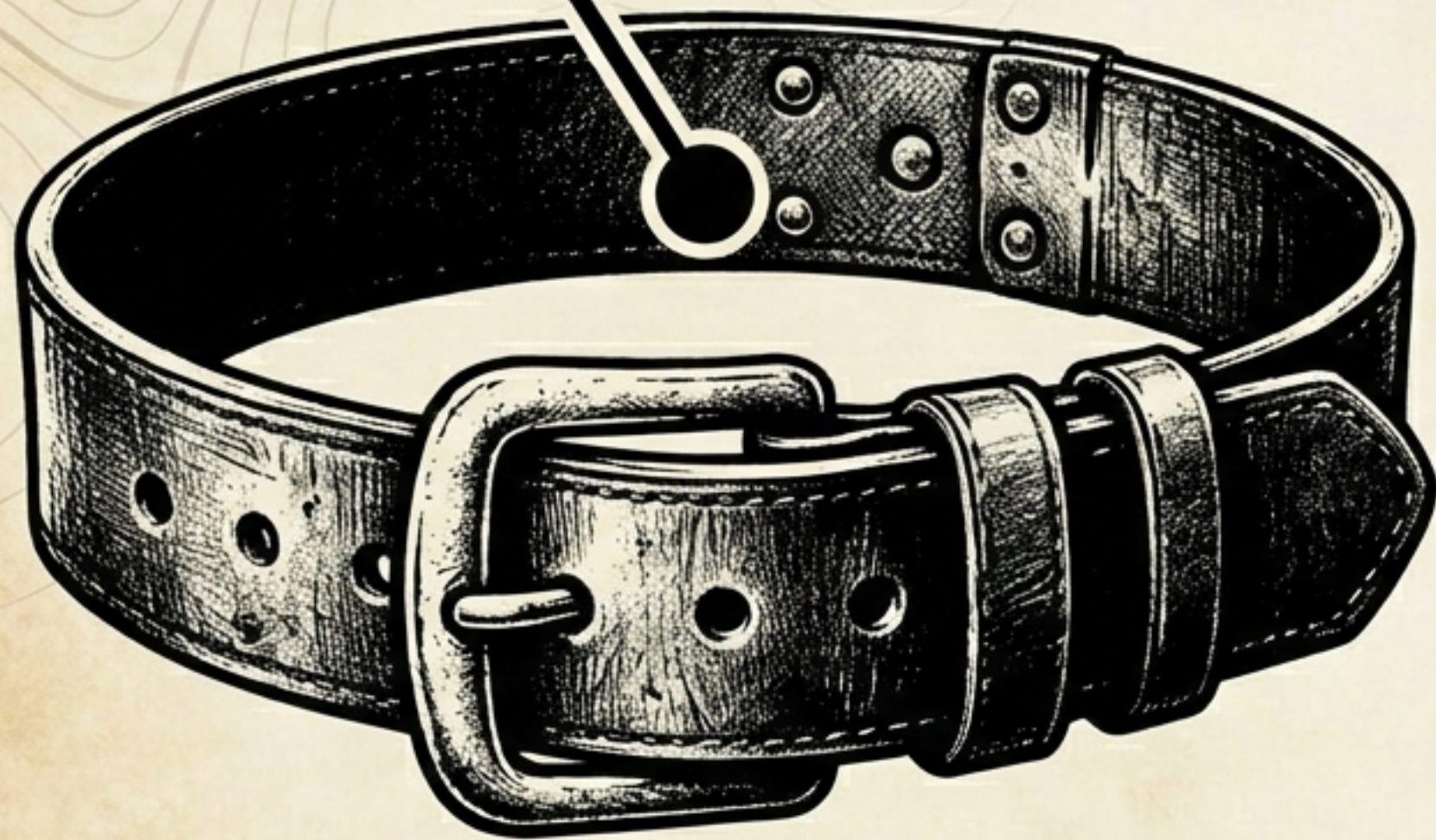
**Helmet of Salvation
(Eternity Protection)**



**Sword of the Spirit
(Surgical Strike)**

LOADOUT SPEC 01: BELT OF TRUTH

**Central Anchor Point
(where sword hangs
and robes are tucked)**



Core Principle



Truth is not a statement; Truth is a person (Jesus). Opinions and culture do not define life or marriage.

Field Directives for Fathers

- **Anchor your kids: Teach them they are fearfully and wonderfully made, not cosmic accidents.**
- **Defend against labels: You are not the label the world gives you.**
- **Defeat desires & past: Your desires don't define you, Christ defines you. Your past doesn't define you, Christ defines you.**

LOADOUT SPEC 02: BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS



Imputed by grace: He doesn't see the wrinkles or the jiggle. He sees a **perfectly jacked, righteous breastplate** (2 Cor. 5:21).

The World's Trap (Performance)

- Drowning in accomplishment metrics.
- "Way to go on the interception."
- Celebrating WHAT people do.

The Protector's Standard (Identity)

- ⚔ - Guarding the heart (Proverbs 4:23).
- ⚔ - "Way to hustle and be a good teammate."
- ⚔ - Celebrating WHO people are.

Action Step: Speak into the righteous identity of your family. Protect their hearts.

LOADOUT SPEC 03: THE PEACE LITMUS TEST

When you walk into the room, do you bring Peace or Chaos?

CHAOS

Puckering up.

Nervousness.

*Tone shifts
in fear.*



PEACE

Readiness.

Good News.

Stability.

The Ultimate Field Test:

I dare you to ask your wife today:
"Be honest, what's it like when I walk in the room?"
If she can't answer, or if she's nervous about answering... there's your answer.

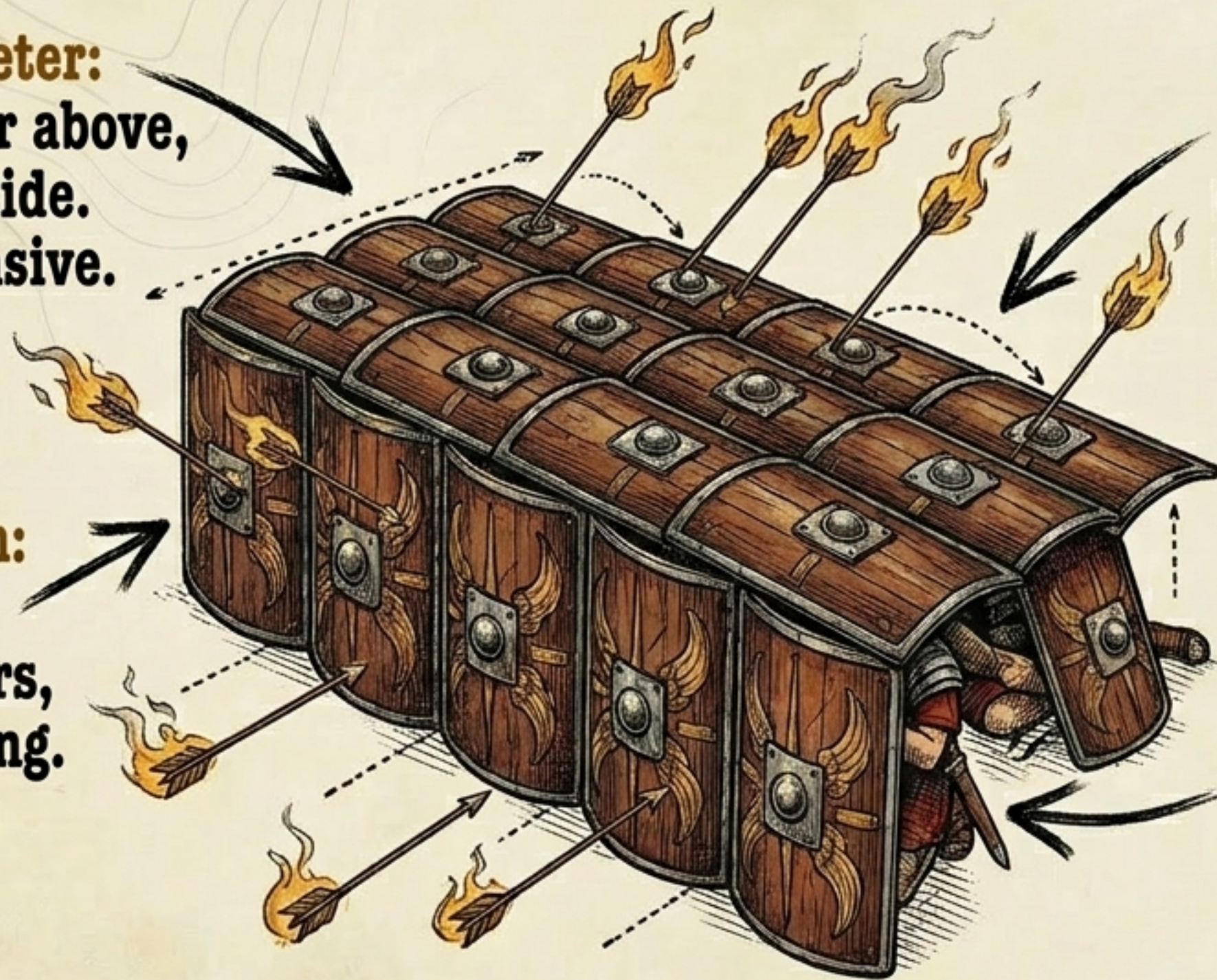
LOADOUT SPEC 04: THE PHALANX FORMATION

The Shield of Faith: Extinguishing liquid-saturated flaming darts.

Interlocking Perimeter:

Shields link together above, below, and side-to-side. Defensive and offensive.

The Family Regiment:
Men lined up with their fathers, brothers, and sons. No retreating.



Covering the Fallen:
When somebody goes down, you link shields to provide cover when they can't stand up for themselves.

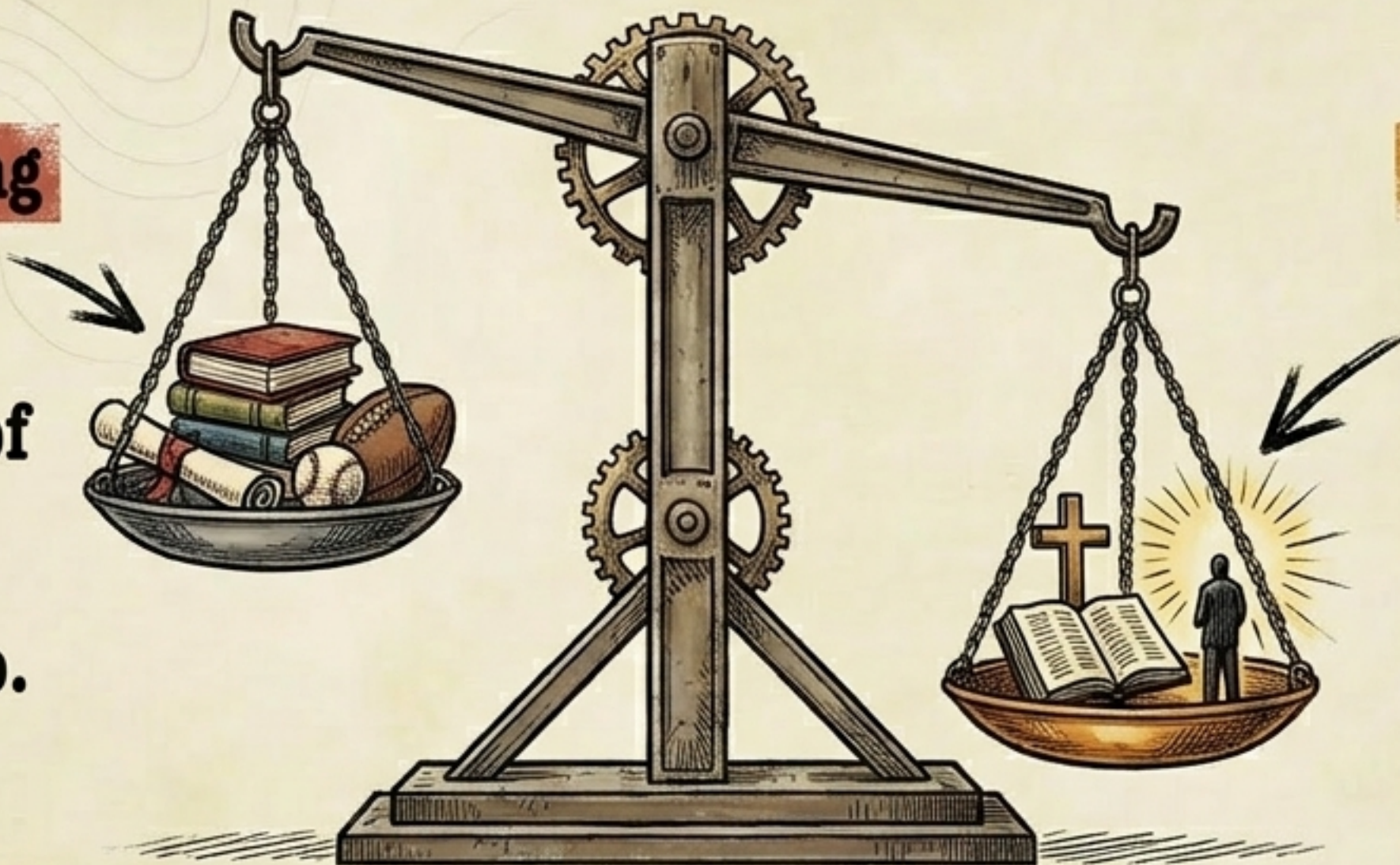
Borrowed Faith:
Dads and young men must grow shields big enough so others can borrow their cover.

LOADOUT SPEC 05: HELMET OF SALVATION

“You can get a new heart or liver and still be you. If you get a new head, you ain’t you anymore. It is essential.”

Lightweight / Failing

Spending massive time, energy, and money on 4 years of college or a sport with a 0.01% chance of going pro.



Heavy / Eternal

The 100% chance of standing and giving an account before Jesus.

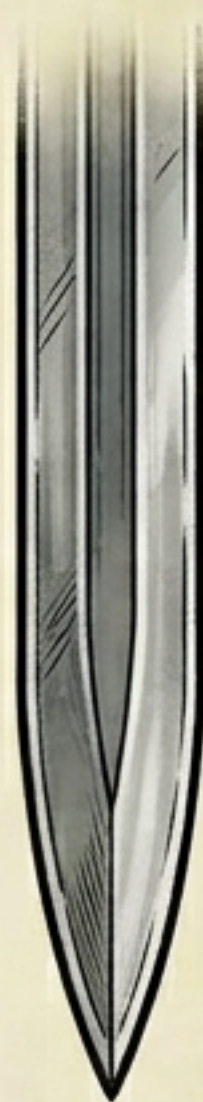
**Do you understand the Gospel? Does your family?
Protecting your family’s eternity is how you go to war.**

LOADOUT SPEC 06: SWORD OF THE SPIRIT

The primary offensive weapon. A surgical strike against principalities, not a sledgehammer against people.

**IT IS
FINISHED.**

(The Death Blow: The three most important words Jesus ever spoke, ending the ultimate war).



**IT IS
WRITTEN.**

(The Daily Battle: The three words Jesus used in the midst of battle with the enemy).

Action Step: Build a habit with the Word of God.
Arm yourself with 'It is writtens'.

COMMS PROTOCOL: TACTICAL PRAYER

Standard Comms (The Stroll)

A stroll in the park chatting about the day. Praying for comfort, contentment, happiness.

Peaceful, but not equipped for heavy combat.

Tactical Comms (The Strategy Meeting)

A strategy meeting with the Commander. Praying at the soul level—sweat and tears on the floor sin and the prince of darkness.

The enemy cowers.
Grip is lost. Chains break.
Lives restore.



Directive to Husbands: Pray with your wives. She is not judging your words; she is thinking, 'I feel protected.'

UNIT COHESION: THE TYCHICUS MODEL

Context: Paul sent Tychicus “so that you may know how we are, and that he may encourage you.”

[] The Comm-Line: Send at least one text a week to another man saying, “Would you pray for this in my life, for my family?”

[] The Perimeter: Do you let people into your life?

[] The Intel: Is there another guy or group of men that you tell everything to? Who know exactly how you are and what you are doing?

THE COMMISSION: IMPERFECT OPERATIVES

God is in the habit of using the least qualified people to do the greatest things.

**Jacob
(Cheater)**

**Peter
(Temper)**

**David
(Affair)**

**Noah
(Drunk)**

**Jonah
(Ran away)**

**Paul
(Terrorist)**

**Gideon
(Insecure)**

**Thomas
(Doubter)**

**Elijah
(Moody)**

**Jeremiah
(Depressed)**

**Moses
(Stuttered)**

**Zaccheaus
(Short)**

**Abraham
(Old)**

**Lazarus
(Dead)**

**Samson
(Girly hair)**

**Tim Tebow
(Gator)**

God can use anybody. He wants to use you.



THE BASECAMP PLEDGE

We don't need the 'exit row flight attendant' nod—saying yes just to keep your leg space while popping a Xanax. We need real commitment.

LEAD IN LOVE.
PROVIDE IN LOVE.
PROTECT IN LOVE.

Let everything you do be done in love. // END BRIEFING.