



# WALKING WITH JESUS

“IN THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD”

Ephesians 6:11

- “Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”

# CCIC BELIEVES:

- 1. WE ARE CHRIST CENTRED. [Galatians 2:20]” I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”
- 2. LOVE IS OUR BOND. [Colossians 3:14] “And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.”
- 3. GOSPEL IS OUR MISSION. Mark 16:15 “He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.”

# OUR STRUCTURE:

1. TO TEACH THE WORD OF GOD. 2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17. “All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God<sup>[a]</sup> may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

2. TO TEACH TO PRAY. LUKE 11:1 “ One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”

# OUR STRUCTURE:

3. TO TEACH TO LOVE GOD AND THE PEOPLE. Mark 12:30-31”  
Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’<sup>[f]</sup> <sup>31</sup> The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’<sup>[g]</sup> There is no commandment greater than these.”

4. TO TEACH TO GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES. Matthew 28:19-20  
“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

# Ephesians 6:13-15

- “<sup>13</sup> Therefore, put on every piece of God’s armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm. <sup>14</sup> Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God’s righteousness. <sup>15</sup> For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared.<sup>[e]</sup> ” [NLT].

# WHAT IS THE MAIN PURPOSE OF PUTTING THE ARMOR OF GOD?

## 1. THE BELT OF TRUTH.

- The belt secured the rest of the equipment [breastplate, sword, etc.] Spiritually, truth is what holds your entire Christian life, and unites the body of Christ.
- Without truth, everything else becomes unstable. Because truth keeps your beliefs, actions, identity aligned with God.

# WHAT IS THE MAIN PURPOSE OF PUTTING THE ARMOR OF GOD?

- “The main purpose of the belt of truth is to anchor your life in God’s truth so that you can stand firm, live rightly, and resist deception.”

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## 2. BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS.

- “The main purpose of the breastplate of righteousness is to guard your heart by securing you in Christ’s righteousness and guiding you to live a holy life as we all know our true identity.”

# WHAT IS THE MAIN PURPOSE OF PUTTING THE ARMOR OF GOD?

## 3. FEET FITTED WITH THE READINESS OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE.

- V.15 “ For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared.<sup>[e]</sup> ”
- “Its main purpose is to prepare and stabilize the believer to stand firm and move forward with the message of peace in Christ.”

# SCRIPTURE READING:

- Ephesians 6:15 “” For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News so that you will be fully prepared.<sup>[e]</sup> ”
- Romans 5:1 “ Therefore, since we have been made right in God’s sight by faith, we have peace<sup>[a]</sup> with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.”

# SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2:14-17 “<sup>14</sup> For Christ himself has brought peace to us. He united Jews and Gentiles into one people when, in his own body on the cross, he broke down the wall of hostility that separated us. <sup>15</sup> He did this by ending the system of law with its commandments and regulations. He made peace between Jews and Gentiles by creating in himself one new people from the two groups. <sup>16</sup> Together as one body, Christ reconciled both groups to God by means of his death on the cross, and our hostility toward each other was put to death.

<sup>17</sup> He brought this Good News of peace to you Gentiles who were far away from him, and peace to the Jews who were near.”

# INTRODUCTION:

- \*In spiritual warfare, your footing matters.
- \*A soldier without proper shoes cannot stand, fight, or advance.
- \*Paul teaches that our spiritual footing is the gospel of peace.
- “Our main objective this afternoon is to remind everyone that before you can stand against the enemy, you must first stand in the Gospel of peace.”

# What kind of Gospel of peace Is This?

1. The source of peace - Justification through Christ.  
[ROMANS 5:1]

- “Therefore, since we have been **justified through faith**, we<sup>[a]</sup> have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ,”.

# What kind of Gospel of peace is this?

## 2. **Peace with God** [Not just Peace from God].

\*It is a relational peace, not emotional peace.

\*Before salvation, we were at enmity with God.

\*Through justification, that hostility is removed.

○ “It means that the war between you and God is over, you are no longer His enemy, but are reconciled.”

# What kind of Gospel of peace is this?

3. It is a Legal Peace. [Justification].

\*Justification is a legal declaration that God as a judge declares you righteous.

\*This peace is a settled verdict, based **on Christ's finished work**, not your performance.

# Romans 1:16-17

- “For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. <sup>17</sup> For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last,<sup>[e]</sup> just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”<sup>[f]</sup>”

# What kind of Gospel of peace is this?

4. The Gospel Peace is Permanent.

\*It does not depend on your emotions.

\*It does not change with circumstances.

\*It is secure because it is grounded in Christ.

o "Even when you feel, guilty, afraid, distant, the truth remains, you still have peace with God".

# What kind of Gospel of peace Is this?

5. It is the Foundation of All Other Peace.

\*This Peace is the root of every other kind of Peace.

\*The flow of peace:

A. Peace with God. [Romans 5:1]” Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we<sup>[a]</sup> have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ”

B. Leads to Peace of God. [Philippians 4:7 “And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

C. Produces Peace with other. Romans 12:18” If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.”

# What kind of Gospel of peace is this?

6. It is a reconciled relationship with God.

**\*You now have access to God.** [Romans 5:2] “through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we<sup>[b]</sup> boast in the hope of the glory of God.”

**\*No more fear of Problems.** [Romans 5:3-4] “Not only so, but we<sup>[c]</sup> also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; <sup>4</sup> perseverance, character; and character, hope.”

# CONCLUSION:

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[ROMANS 5:1-2]
2. Peace with God [Not just Peace from God].
3. It is a Legal Peace. [Justification].
4. The Gospel of Peace is permanent.

# CONCLUSION:

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6. It is a reconciled relationship with God.

◦ “THE GOSPEL OF PEACE IS YOUR FOUNDATION, YOUR IDENTITY, YOUR STABILITY, AND YOUR MINISTRY.”

# REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

1. HAVE YOU TRULY RECEIVED PEACE WITH GOD?
2. ARE YOU WALKING IN THAT PEACE DAILY?
3. IS YOUR LIFE PRODUCING PEACE WITH OTHERS?