DEMONOLOGY





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Preview of Angelology

1. Good angels
2. Satanology
3. **Demonology**
4. Gen. 6:1-4 controversy



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  - Divine intercession (John 17:15; Rom 8:34; Heb 7:25)

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Ephesians



Dressed for Success!

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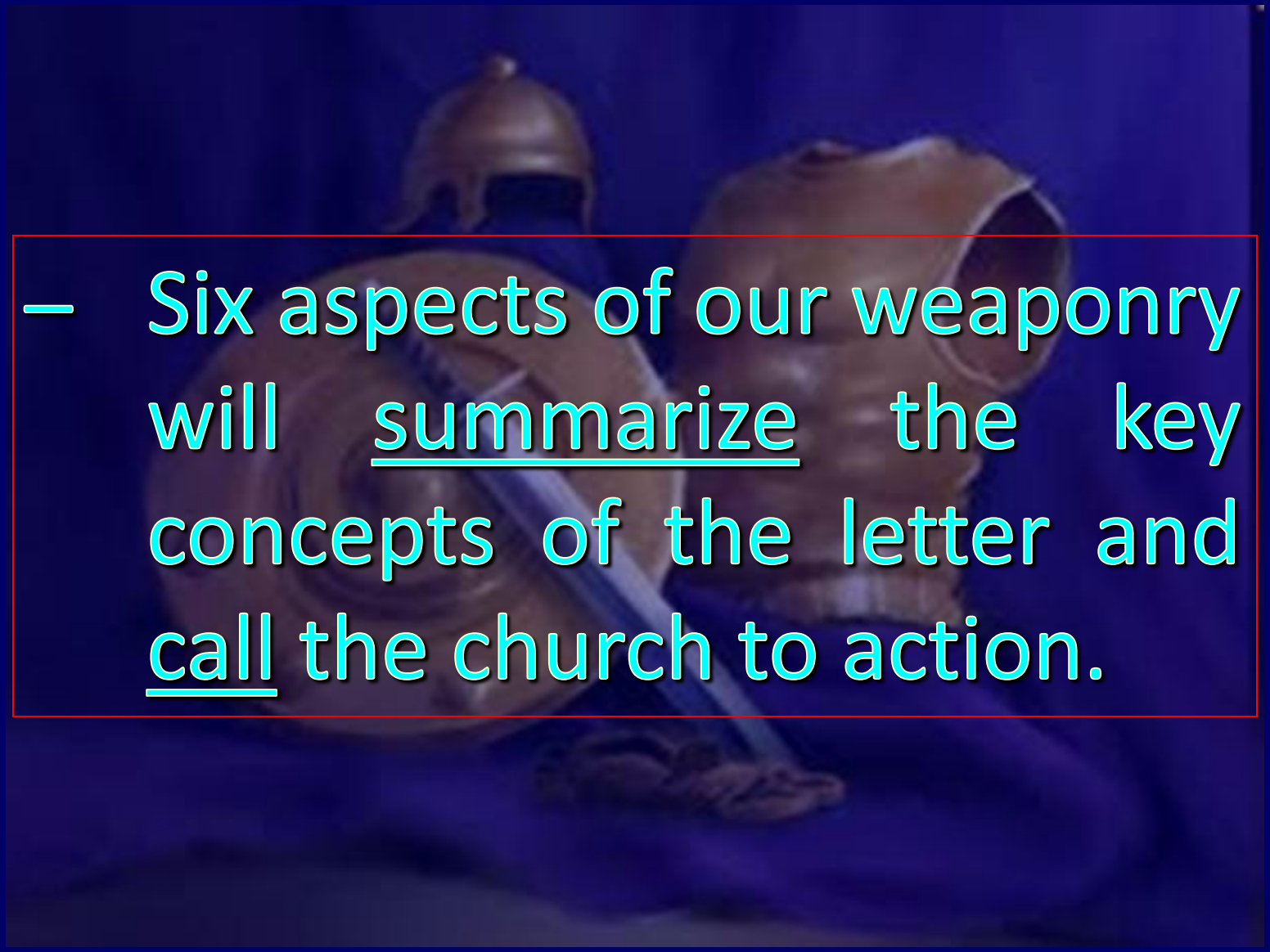
1. Paul's imprisonment (Eph 3:1; 6:20; Philip 1:13)
2. Soldier metaphor
3. Six pieces of armor described
4. Significance of the armor in the ancient world



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5. Paul is reinforcing prior concepts in Ephesians
6. Pieces mentioned in the order they are put on
7. Command: to put on the armor
8. Outline: description, represents, application





- Six aspects of our weaponry will summarize the key concepts of the letter and call the church to action.

EPHESIANS: WHAT IS INSIDE?

1–3	4–6
Relationship	Responsibility
Doctrine	Deed
Orthodoxy	Orthopraxy
Knowledge	Wisdom
Belief	Behavior
Position	Practice
Privileges	Responsibility

6 Pieces of Armor

(Eph 6:14-17)

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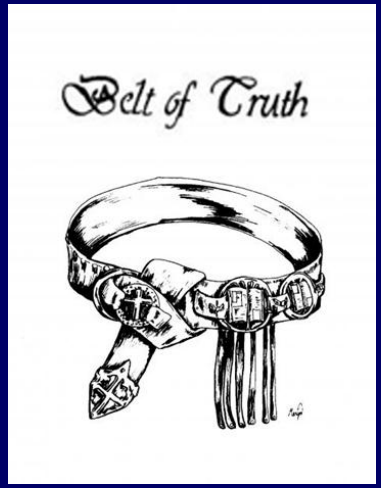
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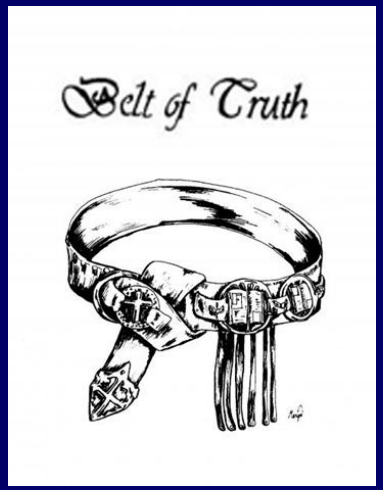
Belt of Truth
(Eph 6:14a)

- Represent
  - "Truth" [*alēthia*] used 6 times
    - Gospel (1:13; 4:21)
    - Doctrinal orthodoxy/stability (4:15)
    - Moral purity (4:24-25; 5:9)



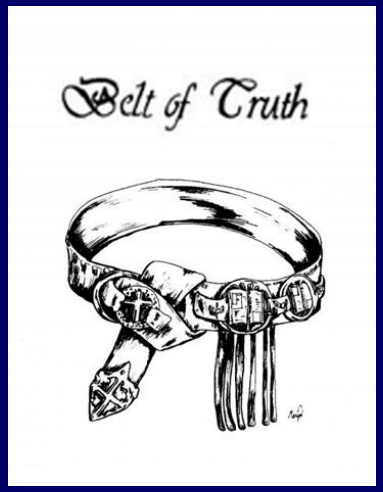
Belt of Truth
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- Definition
  - Foundation of our defense is standing firm in the truth of God's Word as well as our personal integrity



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- Application
  - Objective: Stand in the truth of God's Word
  - Subjective: Personal integrity



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Breastplate of Righteousness
(Eph 6:14b)

- Description



Breastplate of Righteousness
(Eph 6:14b)

- Represent
  - "Righteousness [*dikaiosynē*] used 2 times
    - 4:24; 5:9
    - Practical righteousness



Breastplate of Righteousness
(Eph 6:14b)

- Definition
  - Our underlying protection includes our righteous character and deeds stemming from our positional righteousness



Breastplate of Righteousness
(Eph 6:14b)

- Application
  - Live consistently with our position
  - When we engage in a sinful or impure lifestyle, we are vulnerable and can take an arrow through the chest



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Sandals of Peace
(Eph 6:15)

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Sandals of Peace
(Eph 6:15)

- Represent
  - "Peace" [*eirēnē*] used 7 times
    - Positional peace (1:2; 6:23)
    - Racial harmony (2:14, 15, 17)
    - Unity (4:3)





Sandals of Peace
(Eph 6:15)

- Definition
  - Because we are at peace with God, we should pursue peace and unity within the church





Sandals of Peace
(Eph 6:15)

- Application
  - When we pursue unity in the church, we are putting on the sandals of peace
  - Negative example: Philip 4:2-3





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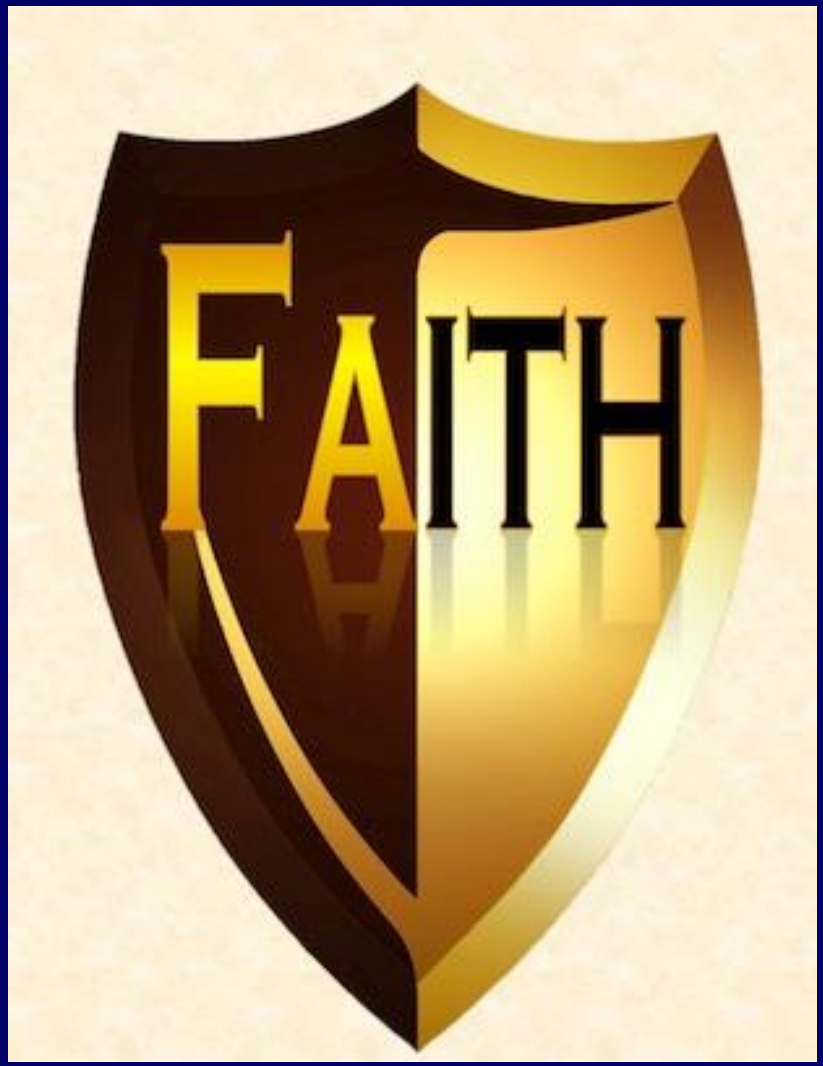
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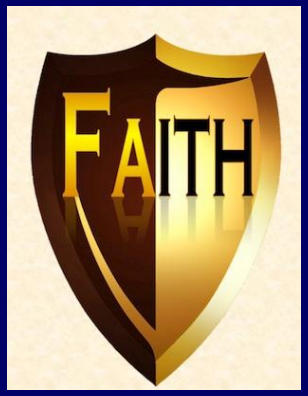


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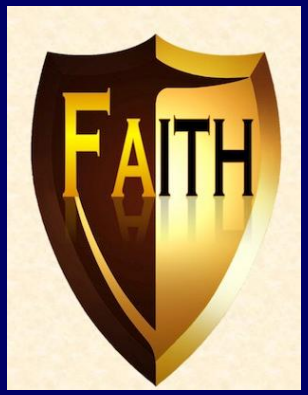
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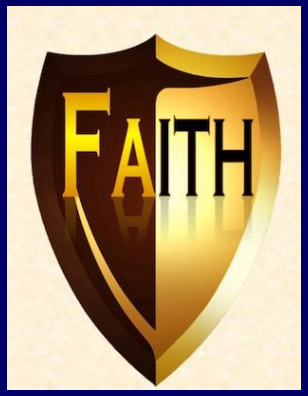
- Represent
  - "Faith" [*pistis, pisteuō*] used 9 times
    - Noun (1:15; 2:8; 3:12, 17; 4:5, 13; 6:23)
    - Verb (1:13, 19)
    - Content of what Christians believe

Shield of Faith
(Eph 6:16)

- Definition
  - Our confident trust in God's ways in order to withstand Satan's attacks



Shield of Faith
(Eph 6:16)



- Application
  - Flaming arrows in the ancient world
  - Examples of Satan's flaming arrows
  - Our trust in God's ways extinguishes them all
  - Unbelieving believer


Mediterranean Sea
AMMON
CANAAN
MOAB
Nile Delta
Tanis
Wilderness
of Shur
GOSHEN
Etham
EDOM
Kadesh
barnea
SINAI
Peninsula
Ezion-geber
EGYPT
Land of
Midian
Arabia
SINAI
Red Sea


Mediterranean Sea
CANAAN
Gaza
Dead Sea
Beersheba
Arad
Way to the Land of the Philistines
Migdol
WILDERNESS OF ZIN
Rameses
EGYPT
Tahpanhes
Pithom?
GOSHEN
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WILDERNESS OF SHUR
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On
Memphis
Marah?
Timna
Elath
SINAI
Jotbathah?
Ezion-geber?
Nile River
Elim?
Red Sea
Dophkah?
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Helmet of Salvation
(Eph 6:17a)

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- Represent
  - "Salvation" [*sōtēria*, *sōtērion*] used 1 time
    - Eph 1:13
    - Full ramification of salvation



Three Tenses of Salvation

Phase	Justification	Sanctification	Glorification
Tense	Past	Present	Future
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	Power	Presence
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	Philip 2:12	Rom 5:10

Helmet of Salvation
(Eph 6:17a)

- Definition
  - Maintaining confidence of our past, present, and future deliverance in the mist of battle



Helmet of Salvation
(Eph 6:17a)



- Application
  - Confidence in the full ramifications of our salvation no matter what Satan throws at us that causes our assurance to wane
  - John 10:28-29; Rom 8:35; Philip 1:6; 1 Pet 1:4-5

John 10:27-29

“[27] My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; [28] and I give eternal life to them, and they will **never perish** [***ou mē; aiōnia***]; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. [29] My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and **no one is able to snatch *them*** out of the Father’s hand.”



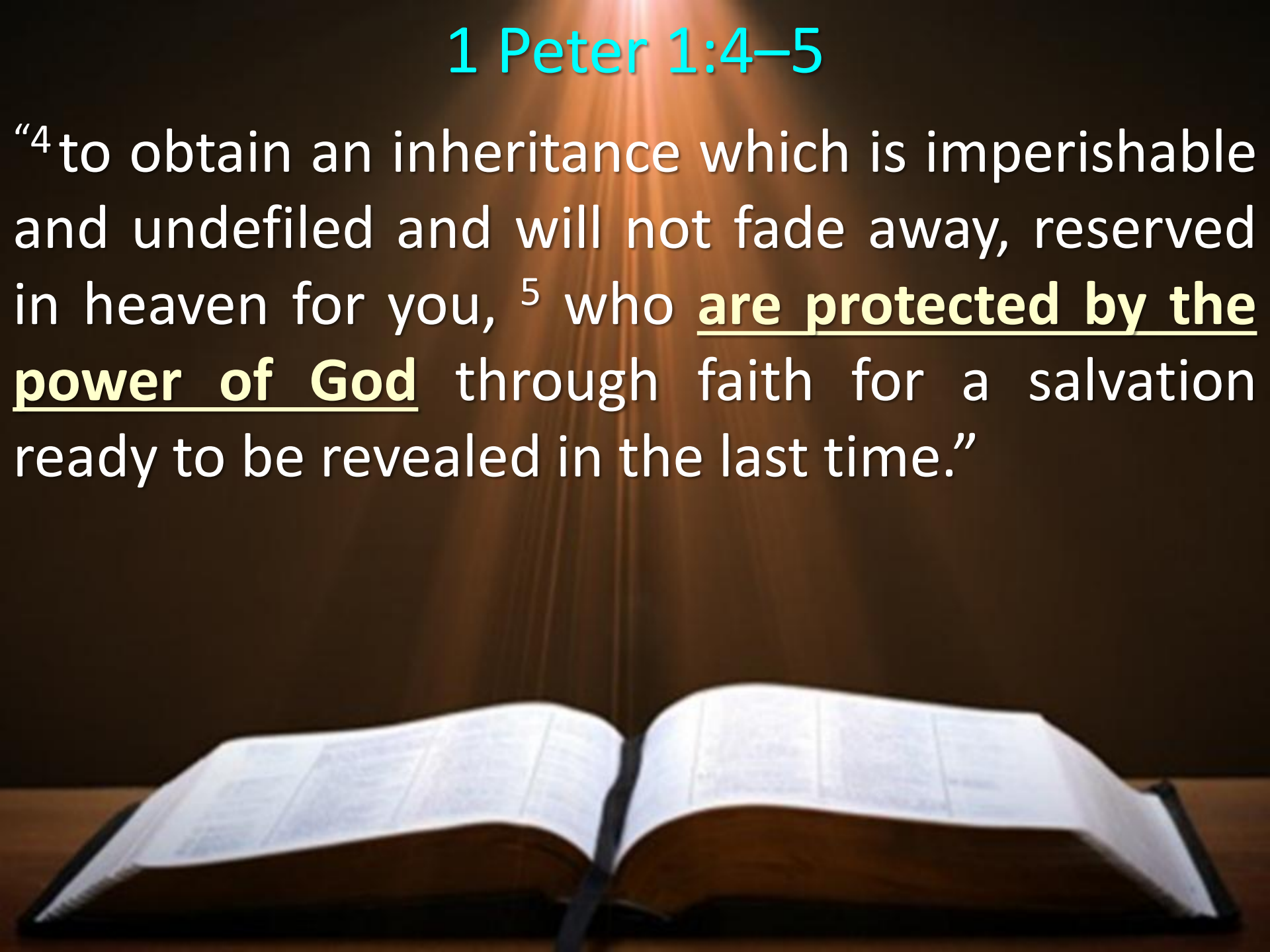
Romans 8:29–30

29 For those whom He **foreknew**, He also **predestined** *to become* conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; 30 and these whom He predestined, He also **called**; and these whom He called, He also **justified**; and these whom He justified, He also **glorified**.



1 Peter 1:4–5

“4 to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, 5 who **are protected by the power of God** through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”



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  - Communication by the Spirit through the Word [*rhēma*] of God
  - 2 Pet 1:21
    - Eph 1:8-9, 13, 17-18; 2:18; 3:5-6, 16



John 17:17, 20-23

“17 **Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth**…20 I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; 21 that they may all be one; even as You, Father, *are* in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. 22 The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; 23 I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me.”



2 Timothy 3:16-17

"All Scripture is **inspired by God [*theopneustos*]** and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."



2 Peter 1:20-21

“[20] But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is *a matter* of one’s own interpretation, [21] for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men **moved (*pherō*)** by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.”



INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE

2 Peter 1:20-21

- Men Wrote as they were inspired by Holy Spirit

  "pherō" = to carry

  Acts 27:15,17



- Opposite of Knowledge of False Teachers
  - *Which is their own imagination*
    - *Jer. 23:16*

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- Definition
  - Specific skillful speaking and application of God's written revelation in order to overcome Satan's schemes



Sword of the Spirit
(Eph 6:17b)

- Application
  - Positive example – Christ (Matt 4:1-11)
  - Negative example – Eve (Gen 2:16-17; 3:2-3)



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