

NEVER FIGHT YOUR BATTLES UNDRESSED!

The Fight of Faith: Round 4

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WHAT I NEED TO KNOW BEFORE I STEP INTO THE RING

I NEED TO KNOW WHERE MY STRENGTH LIES

*"I want to remind you that your strength must come from the Lord's mighty power within you."
(Ephesians 6:10, The Living Bible)*

I NEED TO KNOW WHO I AM FIGHTING

"Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand safe against all strategies and tricks of Satan. For we are not fighting against people made of flesh and blood, but against persons without bodies—the evil rulers of the unseen world, those mighty satanic beings and great evil princes of darkness who rule this world; and against huge numbers of wicked spirits in the spirit world." (Ephesians 6:11–12, The Living Bible)

I NEED TO KNOW WHAT EQUIPMENT TO USE

"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." (Ephesians 6:13, NLT)

THE SIX PIECES OF GOD'S ARMOR

1. BELT OF TRUTH: INTEGRITY

"So stand ready, with truth as a belt tight round your waist," (Ephesians 6:14a, TEV)

2. BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS: PURITY

"... put on the breastplate of righteousness," (Ephesians 6:14, NKJV)

3. SHOES OF PEACE: SERENITY

"On your feet wear the Good News of peace to help you stand strong." (Ephesians 6:15, NCV)

4. SHEILD OF FAITH: CERTAINTY

*"...pick up the shield of faith. With it you can put out all of the flaming arrows of the evil one."
(Ephesians 6:16, NlrV)*

5. HELMET OF SALVATION: SANITY

"Put on the helmet of salvation." (Ephesians 6:17a, NlrV)

6. SWORD OF THE SPIRIT: MATURITY

“...and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.” (Ephesians 6:17, NCV)

“Do all this in prayer, asking for God’s help. Pray on every occasion, as the Spirit leads. For this reason keep alert and never give up; pray always for all God’s people.” (Ephesians 6:18, TEV)

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