8-13-2023 - The Helmet of Salvation - Wk6 - SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Message Notes:

Ephesians 6:13–17

¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,

¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.

¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

The helmet of salvation provides protection!

For the believer in Jesus, the helmet provides Protection of IDENTITY & MINDSET (*Thinking*)

SALVATION!

God's life changing power to transform.

SPIRIT transformation + MIND transformation

BODY transformation

Salvation of the Spirit is automatic!

Salvation of the soul takes effort.

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Philippians 2:12

¹² Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling,

PROTECTION FOR YOUR MINDSET

2 Corinthians 10:5

⁵ We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

Proverbs 23:7

⁷ for he is the kind of person who is always thinking about the cost. "Eat and drink," he says to you, but his heart is not with you.

Romans 12:2

² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

We must learn to think differently about who we are!

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The culture will always identify you by your "issue."

2 Corinthians 5:17

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

My ISSUE is not my IDENTITY!

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Failure is an EVENT, not a PERSON.

Philippians 4:8–9

⁸ Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.

⁹Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.

1 Corinthians 2:16

¹⁶ for, "Who has known the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?" But we have the mind of Christ.

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