Ephesians 6:17-18

Scripture Translations:

"And take **the helmet of salvation**, and **the sword of the Spirit**, which is the word of God; 18 **praying always** with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, **being watchful** to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints..." NKJV

"Embrace the power of salvation's full deliverance, like a helmet to protect your thoughts from lies. And take the mighty razor-sharp Spirit-sword of the spoken word of God. Pray passionately in the Spirit, as you constantly intercede with every form of prayer at all times. Pray the blessings of God upon all his believers." TPT

Key Words, Phrases & Definitions: (Use an online Greek dictionary to define these words)

- · Helmet of salvation
- Sword of the Spirit
- Word
- Praying always
- Supplication
- Watchful
- perseverance

Verse Re-write: (use back of paper)

Questions:

- 1. Explain how deliverance from the "old man" and living fully in the identity of Christ as a "new man" is dependent on how we manage our minds or biblically speaking, "taking on the mind of Christ".
- 2. Describe the possible relationship between the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit (WORD) and how they interact with one another.
- 3. So the helmet of salvation is obviously directed to taking on the mind OF THE SPIRIT, the sword OF THE SPIRIT is the Word of YHWH that only the Spirit can convey to your spirit and finally this passage suggests we pray and supplicate (petition, request) IN THE SPIRIT. Explain how this member of the Godhead is so important to a Spirit-led life.
- 4. The Greek word for "watchful" is "agrupnéo", which means to be attentive to spiritual things. We are instructed to be watchful with perseverance. What was Paul suggesting to the Ephesians about their future and how they might navigate it...by the Spirit.

Faith Declarations and Christ Appropriations:

- First and foremost, Father we bless you and are thankful that you invited into covenant relationship with you and your Son. We are honored to present your Son and His kingdom to a world which has truly lost its way. Therefore, we identify and appropriate every spiritual blessing and resources necessary to change the tide on the destructive culture of our day. We will boldly and courageous speak and display a lifestyle worthy of being your son/daughter.
- We declare that everything we say and do is authored and empowered by the Spirit of the living God, YHWH. We guard our hearts in Christ Yahshua and measure our words to continue to express the King and His kingdom accurately and authentically.