Supernatural Series The Weapons of War Beck Payne-Associate Pastor October 20th, 2021

Scripture: 2. Corinthians 10:3-6 (NLT)

INTRODUCTORY REALITIES OF THE WEAPONS OF WAR

- We cannot <u>fight</u> a spiritual war the <u>same way</u> we would fight a physical one.
- However, like a physical war, we must be <u>properly trained</u> and <u>equipped</u> to fight a spiritual one.
- Thankfully, God has not left us <u>ignorant</u> or <u>unequipped</u> to fight the realities of spiritual war.

Scripture: Ephesians 6:10-20 (NLT)

PREPARATION and PLANNING OF WAR

- We are going to need God's <u>Strength</u> and <u>power</u>
- We are going to need God's <u>armor</u>
- Why? Demonic <u>strategies</u>
- This war is being waged in the <u>Unseen</u> world
- <u>Resist</u> the devil
 - ✓ <u>Time of evil</u>
 - ✓ Stand <u>firm</u>
 - ✓ Stand your <u>ground</u>

SEVEN PIECES OF ARMOR AND WEAPONS NEEDED FOR WAR

1. Belt Use-Truth

Scripture: John 8:44 (NLT)

Scripture: Ephesians 4:11-14 (NLT)

2. Body Armor Use-God's righteousness

> Scripture: 2. Corinthians 5:21 (NLT) Scripture: James 1:19-20 (NLT) Scripture: I. John 3:10 (NLT) Scripture: Proverbs 4:23 (NLT)

3. Shoes Use-<u>Peace from the Good News</u>

Scripture: Romans 5:4 (NLT)

The Gospel gives us assurance both:

- A. Positionally/Relationally
- B. In Advancing and Moving

Scripture: I. Peter 3:15 (NLT)

4. Shield Use-<u>Faith</u>

Relationship with God.

Scripture: Ephesians 2:8-9 (NLT)

What we believe about God. Scripture: Hebrews 11:1; 6 (NLT) Scripture: I.John 5:4 (NLT)

> 5. Helmet Use-<u>Salvation</u>

> > The helmet:

A. Reminds us of whose we are and who we are. Scripture: Romans 8:35-39 (NLT)

- B. Renews our minds and protects our thoughts.
 Scripture: Romans 12:1-2(NLT)
 Scripture: 2. Corinthians 10:5 (NLT)
- C. Helps keep an eternal perspective.
- D. Treasure our salvation Salvation isn't just a past act or even a future hope, but a present reality!
- 6. Sword

Use-<u>Word of God</u>

Scripture: Luke 4:1-13 (NLT)

Scripture: 2. Timothy 3:16-17 (NLT) Scripture: Hebrews 4:12 (NLT)

We must know how to use it Scripture: 2. Timothy 2:15 (NLT) Scripture: 2. Corinthians 10:4-5 (NLT) Scripture: Jude 1:3 (NLT)

6. <u>Prayer</u>

Scripture: Luke 22:39-46 (NLT)

- In the <u>Spirit</u>
- All <u>times</u> and all <u>occasions</u>
- Alert <u>mind</u>
- All <u>believers</u>

Paul may have been writing from a <u>prison</u>, but he was walking as a <u>victor</u>, because he was <u>properly equipped</u>.