

# *The Shoes of Readiness*

# Armor Up!

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- **(Eph 6:15 NIV)** and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.
- **(Ephesians 6:15 AMP)** and having strapped on your feet the gospel of peace in preparation *[to face the enemy with firm-footed stability and the readiness produced by the good news]*.

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### **Military Footwear is One Of The Most Important Parts Of The Soldier's Equipment:**

- Designed For Long Marches
- To Be Used Over Every Kind Of Tough Terrain
- Protected The Feet Without Slowing Them Down
- Attention To The Soldiers' Boots Was The Secret Of Roman Conquest

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### **We've Got To Have The Right Shoes: The Shoes Of Readiness**

- The Gospel Prepares Us For Every Situation & Difficulty That Life Can Bring

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- **2 Peter 1:3–4 (NIV)** – 3 His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. 4 Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

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**Walking in Step With The Spirit in Shoes of Readiness -- We Have Everything We Need**

- The Gospel Gives the Stability of Sure Footing

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### **For Every Problem There Is A Promise**

- *The Shoes Of Readiness Are Not A Fashion Statement, But They Will Look Good On You!*
- Without The Shoes of Readiness --We Will Slip & Fall

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### **The Gospel Of Peace:**

- Peace Is Related To Trusting In God. It Is Available To Us As Believers Through Christ
- A Christian Who Is In Turmoil In His Relationships With God And Others Is Not Ready For Spiritual Battle.
- Jesus Christ Is The Prince Of Peace. He Came To Bring Us To A Place Of Peace With God And With Others.

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### **The Shoes Of Readiness = Putting on Peace**

- The Biblical Basis For The "Gospel Of Peace" Is:
- **Romans 5:10 (NIV)** – 10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!
- **Col 1:21 (NIV)** Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.

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### **Because Jesus Died For Our Sins -- We Have Reconciliation Between Us And God**

- Reconciliation Means:
  - That Which Was Apart Has Been Brought Together
  - Once Enemies At War -- Now Friends At Peace
- **Col 1:22 (NIV)** But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation

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### The Gospel Of Peace= You Can Be At Peace With God

- **Rom 5:1 (NIV)** Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ
- Because Of Christ's Reconciling Act On Calvary, We Have Peace With God

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**Beautiful Feet**= When We Have Peace With God And Each Other-- We Can Proclaim The Gospel Effectively To Those w/o Christ

- Shoes Are Not Just For Standing -- They Are For Moving
- **Readiness**= “*I’m Ready Lord -- My Feet Are Ready To Go Wherever You Want Me To Go*”

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- **Isaiah 52:7 (NIV)** – 7 How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, “Your God reigns!”
- **Romans 10:15 (NIV)** – 15 And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

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- **The Shoes Of Readiness**= “God I Am Ready To Be Used In Any Capacity In Your Mighty Army”
- “I Will Go Where You Want Me To Go”

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### **We Must Be Prepared Each Day To Share The Gospel Of Peace With A Lost World**

- Satan Has Declared War -- We Are Ambassadors Of Peace
- We Take The Gospel Of Peace Wherever We Go

# *The Shoes Of Readiness*

## **Examine The Shoes:**

- They Come From:
  - *An Awesome Maker*
  - *One Who Is Skillful And Experienced*
  - *One Who Knows Exactly What We Need*
- They Are Built Of The Most Excellent Material

## *The Shoes Of Readiness*

- **They Fit Perfectly**
- **They Give Us Excellent Footing**
- **They Give Us Energy To Keep Marching**
- **They Offer Wonderful Protection Against Trials**

## *The Shoes Of Readiness*

- **They Are Pleasant To Wear**
- **They Are Adapted To The Task**
- **They Endure Through The Trials**
- **They Cause Us To Be Able To Fight Sure Footed --  
Moving Toward Victory**

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- **The purpose of military shoes like the shoes of readiness is that we might be able to fight and win battles**
- *If we've ever needed fighting shoes --we need them now*
- *Everything must be in sync right now for this battle*
- ***We Don't Look To The World To Make Sense Of The Bible***
- ***We Look To The Bible To Make Sense Of The World***

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## **Peace Is Being At Rest**

- *It Is Assurance*
- *It Is The End Of The Skirmish –Temporary*
- *It Is The End Of The Conflict –permanent*
- *It Is Both Inner And Outer*

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***Peace is what allows you to go on in life***

- Rested Confident And With Joy
- *It Allows Building, Rebuilding And Restoration*
- *It Is Vertical And Then Horizontal*
- *It Both Derives From And Leads To The Fruit Of The Spirit*
- *The Only Author Of Lasting Peace Is Christ*

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## **How Well Prepared Are You To Do Spiritual Warfare?**

- Can You Maneuver The Slippery Places?
- Can You Stand Surefooted On Shifting Sands?
- Is Your Walk In This World Insulated By The Gospel Of Christ?
- Do You Apply The Gospel Every Day To Your Walk With God?
- Do Others Consider Your Feet "Blessed" Because You Bear Them Good News?