

The Second Piece of Armor:
THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS
 (Ephesians 6.14b)

Central Idea: *We are called to live according to who we are in Christ, living righteously in our daily dealings with God and people.*

I. Remember

Questions ...

- What? Be strong in the Lord
- How? Put on the armor of God
- Why¹? To stand against the devil’s schemes/methods
- Why²? Because our struggle is against spiritual forces

Key Truths ...

- stand firm = firmly holding a position, a defensive stance
- four participles: having girded ... having put on ... having shod ... taking up (each tells us *HOW* we can take our stand against the devil and his schemes)

Last Week ...

- the belt of truth: *truth of Scripture lived out in a life of integrity*

II. Second Piece of Armor: Breastplate of Righteousness

☞ *having put on ...*

☞ *the breastplate ...*

- Usage

- Description

☞ *of righteousness*

- Is objective or subjective righteousness in view?

Objective Righteousness	Subjective Righteousness
Focus:	Focus:

- The theological term that describes our righteousness in Christ is *imputation*.
 - Definition: to set to one’s account or to reckon something to someone
 - Three imputations in Scripture ...

III. Biblical Examples

Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

1. In what area of your life have you understood the right way God has called you to live but you are not following?
2. When we don’t live righteously, Satan condemns us, and guilt can then overwhelm us. What does the breastplate of righteousness do for us when this happens?
3. What practical difference should the breastplate of God’s righteousness make in your life?
4. How can we tell the difference between the enemy’s condemnation and the Holy Spirit’s conviction?

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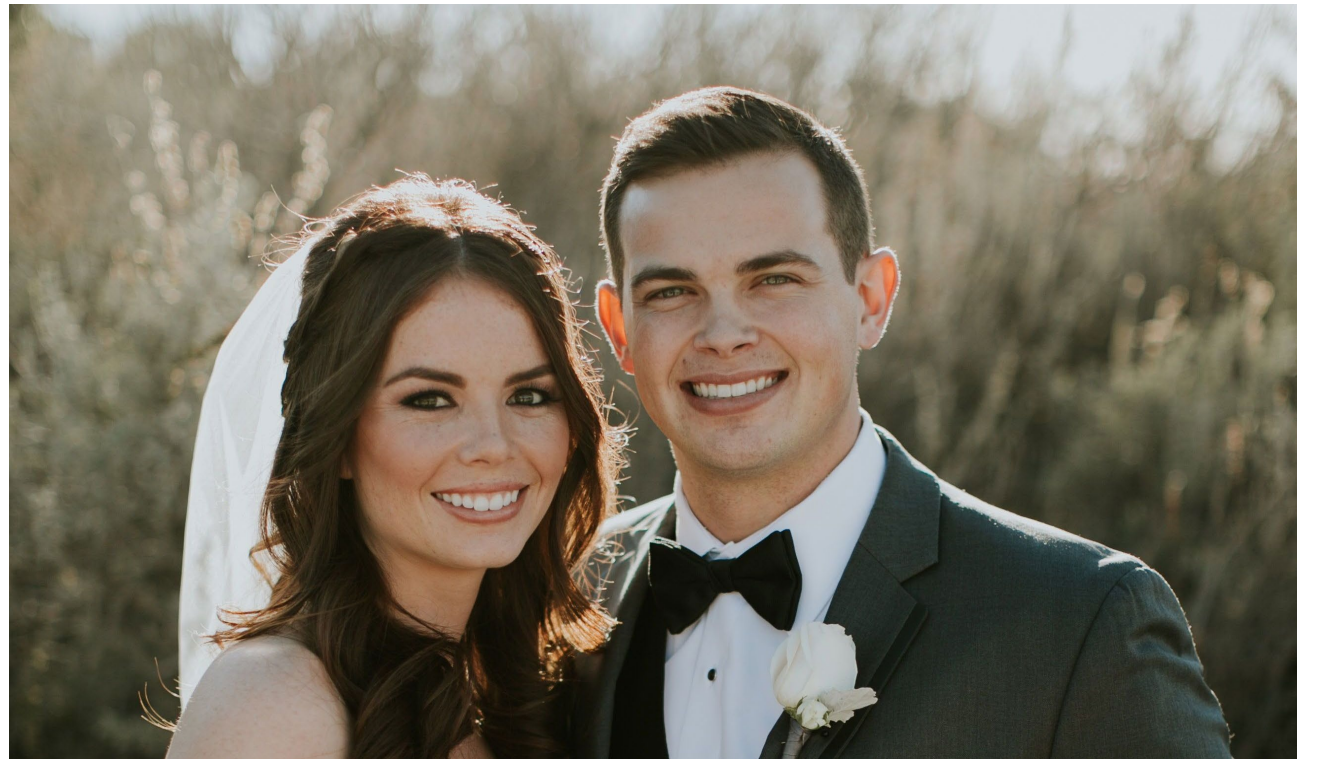
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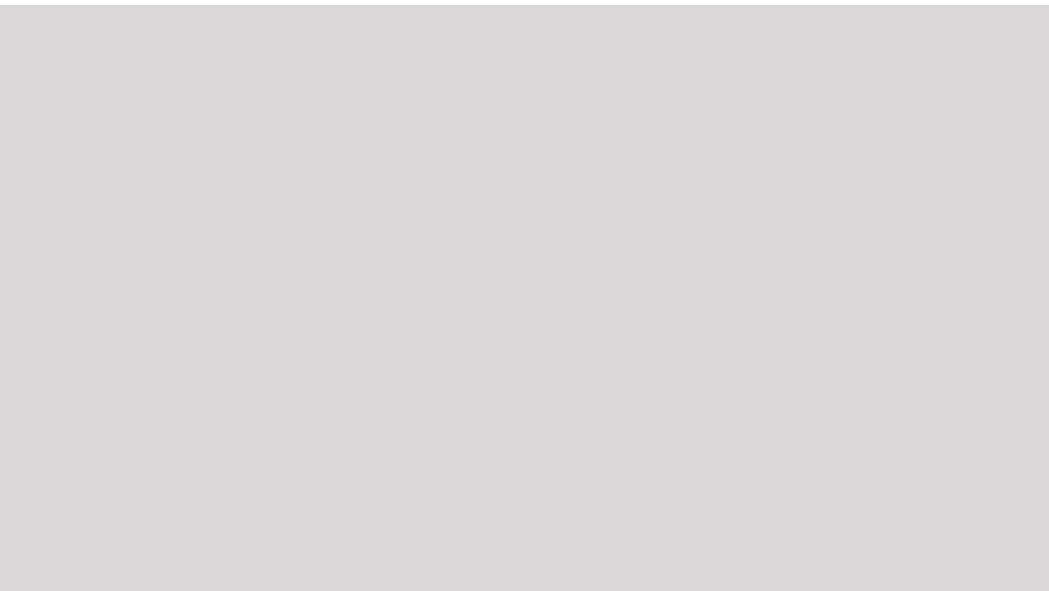
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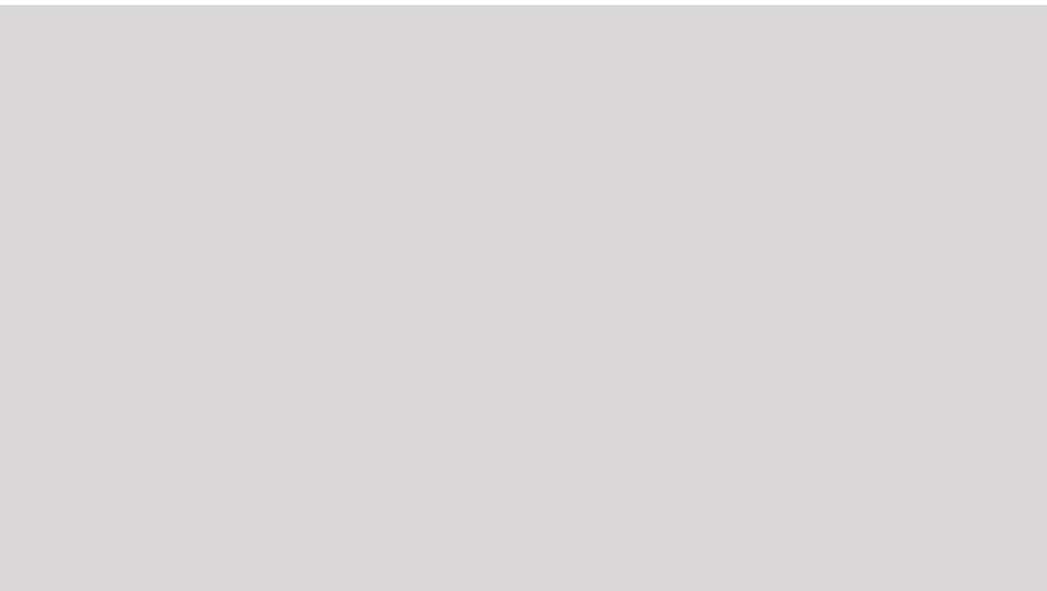
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Helmet of Salvation
(Ephesians 6:17)

Breastplate of Righteousness
(Ephesians 6:14)

Belt of Truth
(Ephesians 6:14)

Sword of the Spirit
(Ephesians 6:17)

Shield of Faith
(Ephesians 6:16)

Feet of Peace
(Ephesians 6:15)



**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.**

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