

“Consequently, faith comes from hearing
the message, and the message is heard
through the the Word of Christ.”

-Romans 10:17

HOW'S YOUR “CHECK OIL LIGHT” DOING?

We will be talking all year about making sure we have oil in our lamps while looking at end times prophecy throughout the Bible and how we should act and behave as Christians through the things unfolding in the world. Our goal in this is to get less distracted by all the stuff that's going on in our world.

EASILY DISTRACTED...

2026 The Little Chapel Verse:

“Therefore we must give the more earnest
heed to the things we have heard,
lest we drift away.”

-Hebrews 2:1

OPENING OUR EYES

“Teach me, O LORD, to follow your decrees; then I will keep them to the end. Give me understanding, and I will keep your law and obey it with all my heart.”

-Psalm 119:33-34

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

-Elisha & the Arameans: 2 Kings 6:8-23

-Daniel & The Angel: Daniel 10:1-3; 7-14;
20-21

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

“At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered.”

-Daniel 12:1

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

“But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous against him, but said, ‘The Lord rebuke you!’”

-Jude 1:9

SPIRITUAL WARFARE

“And there was war in heaven,
Michael and his angels fought against
the dragon, and the dragon
and his angels fought back.”

-Revelation 12:7

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- Paul & King Agrippa: Acts 25:23-32

ARMOR OF GOD

-Ephesians 6:10-12

-Ephesians 6:13-20

ARMOR OF GOD

Belt of Truth:

Live with integrity and alignment with God's Word. Soldier's belts held their garments together and supported their sword, commitment to God's Truth protects you from the confusion, lies, and self-deception that can destabilize you.

ARMOR OF GOD

Breastplate of righteousness:
Guards your heart by relying on Christ's
purity. This piece protects your vital
organs—your motivations and identity.
Practically, it means choosing integrity
over compromise so that guilt or moral
failure cannot be used to attack you.

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Shoes of the Gospel of Peace:

Maintains stability, readiness, and a calm disposition. Roman sandals had cleats for a firm grip in battle. Walking in the peace of God keeps you anchored and prevents you from slipping into anxiety or panic.

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Shield of Faith:

Actively trusting God's promises to deflect doubt and fear. When negative thoughts, sudden fears, or malicious words ("fiery darts") assault your peace, you lift the shield by reminding yourself of God's history of faithfulness.

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Helmet of Salvation:

Protecting your thoughts and mindset with the certainty of your identity. The helmet guards the mind. Refuse to let thoughts of hopelessness or condemnation take root, constantly renew your mind with the reality that you are securely saved and loved.

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Sword of the Spirit:

Speak and apply specific scriptures to counter evil. This is the primary offensive weapon. Just as Jesus quoted Scripture in the wilderness, we use the “Sword” by speaking God’s Word directly against the enemy.

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Praying in the Spirit:

The Power source that activates the armor. Paul concludes that armor is useless without continuous, alert communication with God through prayer, keeping your spiritual awareness sharp.

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-Ephesians 6:10-12

-Ephesians 6:13-20

-2 Corinthians 10:1-8

ARMOR OF GOD

- Commitment to the truth
- Godly living
- Bold witness
- Faith
- Love
- Hope secured (eternity with God)
- The Word of God
- Persistent Prayer

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“If you were the devil, how would you keep people away from God?”

(Cultural distraction, moral relativism, and psychological erosion rather than overt, dramatic evil.)

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“I wouldn’t waste my time trying to get you to worship me. No, I just convince you not to worship God at all. I’d tell you truth is relative. Your truth, my truth, until nobody knows which way is up. I’d whisper, ‘As long as you’re happy, it’s right.’”

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“I’d keep you busy. Too busy for prayer.
Too busy for church. Too busy to ask
eternal questions. I’d fill your hands with a
phone so you’d never have time to fold
them in prayer.”

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“I’d break families. Get fathers absent,
marriages bitter, and kids confused.
If i can fracture the home, I can fracture
the future.”

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“I’d divide the church. Petty arguments, comparison, offense, celebrity culture. If I can get Christians fighting each other, they’ll never fight me.”

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“I’d desensitize you. I’d glamorize sin in movies, normalize it in music, laugh at it in comedy, and celebrate it in culture until what once shocked you now entertains you.”

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“I’d attack your identity. I’d make you question who you are, where you belong, and whether you matter. I’d whisper shame so loud you can’t hear God’s voice of love.”

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

“And through it all I wouldn’t even try to prove I exist. My greatest trick would be to convince you I’m not real. Because if you don’t believe I’m real you’ll never resist.”

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Prompting Relativism:

Convincing people that “truth is relative” (“your truth” versus “my truth”) to create moral confusion and eliminate clear standards of right and wrong.

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Distraction and Busyness:

Filling everyday life with endless noise, digital screens, social media, work stress, and entertainment so people never have quiet moments for reflection of prayer.

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Normalizing Compromise:

Gently eroding boundaries by glamorizing sin in media, entertainment, and culture until things that once shocked people become casual entertainment.

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Fracturing Families & Relationships:

Undermining home stability, causing burnout in parents, and creating division or confusion within the next generation.

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Attacking Identity and Self-Worth:

Whispering self-doubt, comparison, and shame so loudly that individuals question their value and miss their sense of purpose.

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Dividing Communities:

Encouraging petty arguments, offense, and comparison inside churches and social groups so people fight one another instead of focusing on shared values.

A POSSIBLE GAME PLAN

Convincing People Satan doesn't Exist:

Using the illusion that the devil or spiritual warfare is not real, ensuring people drop their guard and never offer resistance.

JESUS TEACHING

The Power of Identity and Name:

“The seventy-two returned with joy and said, ‘Lord, even the demons submit to us in Your Name.’”

-Luke 10:17

JESUS TEACHING

Delegated Authority:

“I have given you authority to trample
on snakes and scorpions and to
overcome all the power of the enemy;
nothing will harm you.”

-Luke 10:19

JESUS TEACHING

Fasting & Prayer:

“However, this king does not go out except by prayer and fasting.”

-Matthew 17:21 NKJV

JESUS TEACHING

Opening & Closing Spiritual Doors:

“I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.”

-Matthew 16:19

JESUS TEACHING

Opening & Closing Spiritual Doors:

1. Expose and denounce sin and carry out church discipline.
2. Pray effectively for God's purpose on earth.
3. Restrict and defeat demonic powers and set spiritual captives free.

JESUS TEACHING

Opening & Closing Spiritual Doors:

4. Preach about the guilt of sin, God's standards of righteousness, and the judgment to come.

5. Proclaim the opportunity for forgiveness and spiritual salvation for all who turn from their own sinful ways and follow Christ.

JESUS TEACHING

Foundational Faith over Doubt:

“I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, ‘Go, throw yourself into the sea, and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him.’”

-Mark 11:23

HOW'S YOUR “CHECK OIL LIGHT” DOING?

Belt of Truth:

“Lord, I buckle the Belt of Truth around my waist. Encircle me with Your truth today and protect me from the deception or self-doubt the enemy tries to plant. Help me speak honestly and walk with integrity in every conversation.”

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Breastplate of Righteousness:

“Father, I put on the Breastplate of Righteousness. I thank You that I am saved and made clean through Christ, not my own perfection. Guard my heart today from bitterness, temptation, and ungodly criticism.”

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Shoes of the Gospel of Peace:

“Lord, I strap on the Shoes of Peace. Anchor my feet so I remain steady through stressful situations. Guide my steps today to bring peace to my workplace, school, or home, and give me the courage to share your love.”

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Shield of Faith:

“God, I life up the Shield of Faith. I trust
Your character over my circumstances.
When arrows of fear, worry, or doubt come
my way, I use my faith in Your promises to
extinguish them completely.”

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Helmet of Salvation:

“Lord, I place the Helmet of Salvation on my head. Guard my mind and filter my thoughts today. Remind me of who I am in you, and don't let thoughts of despair or hopelessness take root in my mind.”

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Sword of the Spirit:

“Holy Spirit, I take up the Sword of the Spirit, which is Your Word. Bring specific scriptures to my mind when I feel weak or attacked. Let your truth speak louder than any negative narrative in my life.”

“Do not merely listen to the word and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. Anyone who listens to the Word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks in the mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it—he will be blessed in what he does.”

-James 1:22-25