

## The Armor of God PART 4

### Ephesians 6:14

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#### MAIN TAKEAWAY

We are all in a spiritual battle of some kind and God has perfectly equipped us for that battle. We are to put on each piece of the armor every day and we do that properly with the knowledge and proper application of the God's Word. The **belt of truth** is the foundation of the armor of God. When we know God's Word, properly apply it, and replace the enemy's lies with God's truth, we are able to stand in the storms and gives us the ability to be a victor not a victim.

#### KEY SCRIPTURES & TAKEAWAYS

**Ephesians 6:10-18 KJV** Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.<sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.<sup>12</sup> For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.<sup>13</sup> Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.<sup>14</sup> Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;<sup>15</sup> And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;<sup>16</sup> Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.<sup>17</sup> And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:<sup>18</sup> Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

- a. To be strong in the Lord, we need to make Him our source of power. We don't have enough power to get rid of habits we want to stop, we need the power of the Holy Spirit.
- b. We need the **whole** armor of God, without a piece there is a crack in our armor.
- c. The armor of God is for our mind (think the right things), our mouth (speak the right things) and our spirit (to guard it).
- d. The belt hold everything together, we need to fasten and hold on tight to the Word, not have it be loose in our lives.

### **The belt of truth:**

1. Is your foundation.
2. Is your final authority.
3. Is your weapon to fight the lies of the devil.
4. Sets you free (John 8:32).

The devil's strategy is lies, stop listening to and believing his lies. Replace his lies with God's truth and start declaring what God says about you, not what others say about you.

### **Takeaways:**

1. This week audit your thoughts.
2. Take inventory of those that don't agree with God's Word.
3. Ask yourself what lies have you been listening to and believing.

### **REFLECT & REVISIT**

This week go back and read **Ephesians 6:14** and take time to **audit your thoughts**. Ask yourself: *What lies have I been listening to and believing that do not agree with God's Word?* Identify one thought, fear, or negative belief that has been holding you back, then replace it with God's truth. Instead of repeating what others have said about you, begin declaring what God says about you. Tighten the **belt of truth** by holding fast to His Word and applying it this week.