

March 3, 2019 Sermon and Community Group Notes

1) The _____ of _____ (Ephesians 6:14)

- Supporting Scriptures Used: Isaiah 59:17; 11:5; Colossians 2:15; Romans 8:37; John 8:44; Revelation 12:10; John 31–32; 17:17

2) The _____ of _____ (Ephesians 6:14)

- Supporting Scriptures Used: 2 Corinthians 5:21; Ephesians 4:24; Revelation 19:8

3) The _____ of the _____ (Ephesians 6:15)

- Supporting Scriptures Used: Romans 1:16; 5:1; Isaiah 52:7; Romans 10:15

4) The _____ of _____ (Ephesians 6:16)

- Supporting Scriptures Used: 1 Peter 5:8–9

5) The _____ of _____ (Ephesians 6:17)

- Supporting Scriptures Used: Romans 8:1; John 3:18; Revelation 12:11

6) The _____ of the _____ (Ephesians 6:17)

- Supporting Scriptures Used: Matthew 4:4, 7, 10; 1 John 1:9; 1 Corinthians 10:13; 2 Corinthians 10:5; Philippians 4:8

Community Group Discussion and Application Questions

Comprehension Questions:

- What may have inspired Paul to write about the armor of God (cf. Isaiah 59:17; 11:5)? How does this imagery help us as Christians?
- What is the significance of Paul's command to "stand" in Ephesians 6:14? What does the word "stand" remind us about the nature of our battle as Christians? (cf. Colossians 2:15; Romans 8:37)
- What are the 6 pieces of the Armor of God in Ephesians 6:14–17?

Discuss the following questions for each of the 6 pieces of spiritual armor:

1. What was the original purpose of this piece of armor for the Roman soldier in battle?
2. What aspect of Christianity (truth, righteousness, gospel, faith, salvation, spirit, word) does Paul compare this piece of armor with? Use the Supporting Scriptures listed under each piece of armor on page 1 to talk about the meaning of each of these pieces of armor.
3. What do each of 6 pieces of God's armor teach us about:
 - a. our identity in Christ?
 - b. our enemy (the devil and demons) and his tactics?
 - c. our battle and the way we fight against the enemy?

Application Questions:

- How are you doing in your spiritual battle against Satan and dark/demonic forces in your life?
 - Where are you winning the battle? Why?
 - Where are you losing the battle? Why?
- What piece(s) of armor speak(s) most powerfully to you? Why?
- How can you apply Paul's teaching on the spiritual armor to be more effective in the spiritual battle you are fighting?