

THE ARMOR OF GOD - PART 1

We have to take a stand for the Lord.

To take a stand for the Lord, we must fear Him and depart from evil.

If you are a Christian who is involved in evil and sin, then you have a power leak in your life.

The Holy Spirit is an unlimited source of power, but sometimes we have power leaks because of sin.

We must stay covered under the blood of Jesus.

In this world we come up with physical solutions to problems, we try to increase money or education for example.

But these solutions do not address the real problems, which are spiritual.

We are in a spiritual war, we battle against the world, our old sin nature, and spiritual forces.

We must seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and let Him add to us those physical things we need.

Our fight is a spiritual battle.

We need to have the strength of God, the power of God, the discernment of God and the armor of God.

The armor of God:

1. We need the belt of truth.

The devil wants you to believe false ideas about God, about other people and about ourselves.

The belt of truth prevents us from being exposed and embarrassed to the world and to the devil.

If you leave something exposed because of falsehood, the devil will take a foothold in our lives.

We must be honest with everyone in our lives, including God and ourselves.

2. We need the breastplate of righteousness.

The breastplate of righteousness goes beyond the righteousness we get from accepting Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour, we must also walk in righteousness.

Every day, we are in a battle. No soldier goes into battle without the proper equipment.

3. We need the shoes of peace.

The shoes of peace come from the good news.

Satan would love to steal our peace.

Walking in peace is a choice, we must choose to walk in peace.

We must choose to put on each piece of the armor of God.

Not just as a mental exercise, we must choose to put it on all through the day, with God's help.

Whenever you are struggling, invite God into your situation and keep on advancing, do not shrink back!

SCRIPTURE LIST

Ephesians 6:10-12

Proverbs 3:7

Acts 3:1-10

Ephesians 6:13-17

John 8:34

Romans 6:16

Jude 1:23

Philippians 4:6-7