



Series Topical

Passage Ephesians 6:10-19

Title Withstanding the Wiles of the Devil (Part 3)

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- **Discussion Starter:** What are some of the spiritual disciplines you learned from the sermon message this past Sunday? Which of these disciplines do you feel you are doing well and which ones are you looking for God to help you strengthen?

Why We Wear God's Armor (Ephesians 6:10-13)

- Why do you think most people underestimate the power of Satan? Do you think this, itself, is one of his strategies?
 - 1> Read Jude 1:9 and 2 Corinthians 4:3-4. What do these passages reveal about the power of Satan and what insights do we attain for how we are to wear the armor of God?
 - 2> Read John 12:31 and John 16:7-11. What do these passages reveal about Satan's rule over the world we live in and God's plan for us as Christians?
- We can see the effect of Satan's rule by the crime, terror, murder, sexual abuse, substance abuse, abortion, etc. in the world. The world is not getting better. We are at a stage where God has turned our nation over to itself and to a debase mind.

Read Romans 1:18-32. In what ways are there some parallels to what has happened in our most recent history as a nation? How are you encouraged or discouraged as a Christian to be living in this day and age?

Stand Ready for Battle! (Ephesians 6:14-19)

How to Wear God's Armor

- When we put on truth, we are to be prepared with God's truth and our integrity. What are some practical examples of how we wear this piece of armor in our lives? What promises and warnings do we see from God in Psalm 145:18-20? How does this passage apply to putting on the armor of truth?
- What does the gospel of peace mean to you? Explain in your own words. When was the last time you shared the gospel of peace with someone? How does God describe those who are willing to share the gospel of peace with others in Romans 10:15?
- Put on the sword of the Spirit which is the word of God. The word: it is so powerful that it created and governs the universe. It has the power to make fools wise, the blind see, the humble exalted; it brings light to darkness and creates life. How does having this spiritual discipline enable us to access God's power against the wiles of the devil? What makes this piece of armor different from the previous five pieces of armor?
- Praying in the Spirit seems to be simple: pray in Jesus' name, consistent with His will and character. Explain how you have employed this spiritual discipline in your life. What mindset should we have when we set out to pray? In what ways has God called you to be more engaged and intentional in this spiritual battle through your prayer life?