

PRAYING THE ARMOR OF GOD

This is a prayer I shared with our congregation after teaching a series on Spiritual Warfare based upon an exposition of Ephesians 6:10-18.

"Good morning, Lord. It's going to be a great day because I am preparing to win spiritual battles for Your glory and honor! Your Word tells me to "Put on the armor of God that I may be able to stand against the schemes of the Devil" (Ephesians 6:12). So, I am here today dressing myself for battle.

I will buckle the truth of Your Word like a belt around me. I will speak the truth, live the truth and compare everything I hear today by the standards of Your Word, which is absolute truth.

I will strap on the breastplate of righteousness and ask You to let nothing into my heart today that You do not approve.

I will lace up the boots of readiness for sharing the Gospel of peace with those who do not know You. I am ready to tell others how to find You when I get the opportunity.

I will firmly hold on to the shield of faith and defeat every fiery dart of the Devil. I break every evil assignment against me in Jesus' Name!

I will confidently wear the helmet of salvation and ask You to keep my mind focused on things that are good, positive, pure and Christ-like.

I will take the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God, and stand on Your promises today when the enemy comes in like a flood, knowing that greater is He who is in me than he who is in the world.

I will pray without ceasing today in Your Spirit and look for opportunities to pray for those around me who are hurting and need You.

I am covered in the Blood of Jesus.

I am filled and anointed with the Holy Spirit.

I am protected by an army of angels.

I am loved by my Father in Heaven.

Look out, Satan.....it's going to be a bad day for you!

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

- Dr. Larry Petton