

Week 2: Trusting God in Uncertain Times – Building Resilience Through Faith
Speaker: Dave Driggers

Protection Comes from Preparedness

- Put on the whole armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-18)
- A call to stand firm and to prepare for spiritual battle
- The armor of God
- Recognition of the ongoing spiritual battle
- Equip for victory

Parts of the Armor of God

- Belt of Truth (Ephesians 6:14)
- Breastplate of Righteousness (Ephesians 6:14)
- Feet Shod with the Preparation of the Gospel of Peace (Ephesians 6:15)
- Shield of Faith (Ephesians 6:16)
- Helmet of Salvation (Ephesians 6:17)
- Sword of the Spirit (Ephesians 6:17, Hebrews 4:12)

Role of Prayer (Ephesians 6:18)

- Necessary during spiritual warfare
- Petition - bring your needs to God
- Intercession - pray for others
- Guidance - seek the Spirit's direction
- Steadfastness - remain faithful in prayer

Unity of the Body of Christ

- "Strive together with me in prayers to God" (Romans 15:30)
- We must fight some battles alone
- Others require the strength and support of fellow believers

Things to Think About:

- What are some of the everyday things we can do to stay strong spiritually?
- Do you have prayer warriors in your life that you can call on when you are going through a trial?
- Can you give an example in your life where the Armor of God sustained you?
- Can you give an example where you went through a trial that you thought was going to consume you but you came out of it spiritually stronger?

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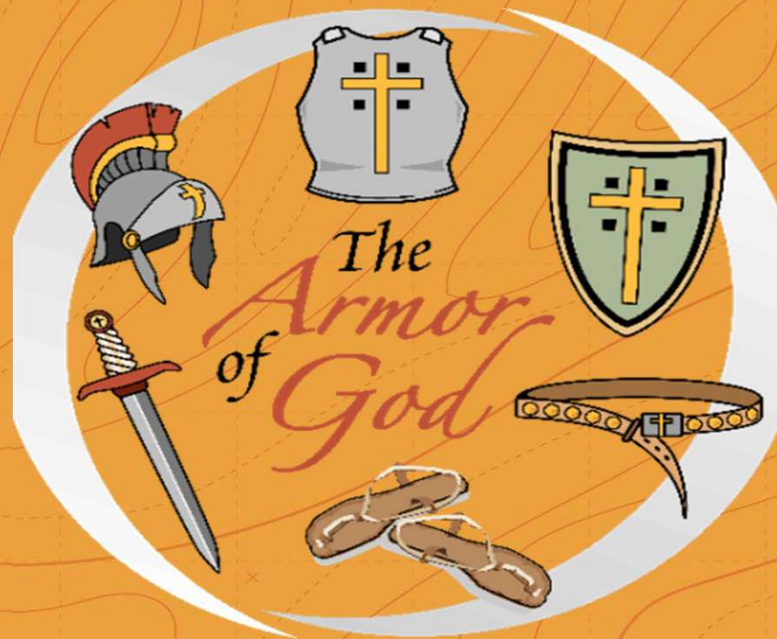
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Putting on the Whole Armor of God



Ephesians 6: 10 - 14

10. Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

11. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12. 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.

13. Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14. Stand therefore, having your lions girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

Ephesians 6: 15 - 18

15. And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16. Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

17. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18. Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

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Ephesians 6: 10-11

THE ARMOR OF GOD

Helmet of Salvation

Breastplate of
Righteousness

Belt of [absolute] Truth

Sword of the Spirit

Shield of
Faith

Feet Protected by
the Gospel

Ephesians 6:10-17



Call to Stand Firm & a Call to Prepare for Battle! (Ephesians 6: 10 -18)

- Withstand spiritual attacks.
- Be prepared.
- Be vigilant in faith.



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.

Ephesians 6:12

Recognition of the Spiritual Battle

- Against Forces of Evil
- Against principalities



**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.**

Ephesians 6:13

Equipping for Victory



- Armor highlights the proactive role Christians must take in their spiritual lives.
- Defends Against Temptation, Doubt, and Spiritual Deception

Parts of the Armor of God



Stand therefore having your **loins girt**
about with truth, and having on the
breastplate of righteousness.

Ephesians 6:14

Belt of Truth



- Symbolizes Significance of Truth
- It is the 1st article of God's Armor, & it holds everything together.
- Commitment to Integrity and Honesty
- Protection Against Deception
- Readiness for Action
- Clarity and Understanding of God's will and purpose

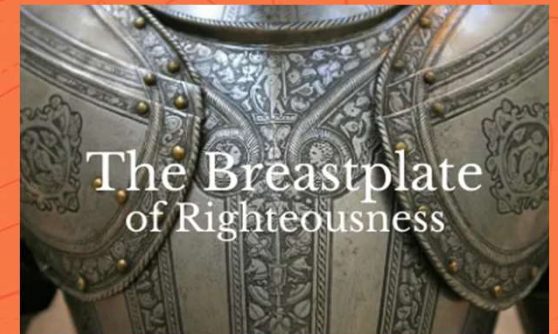
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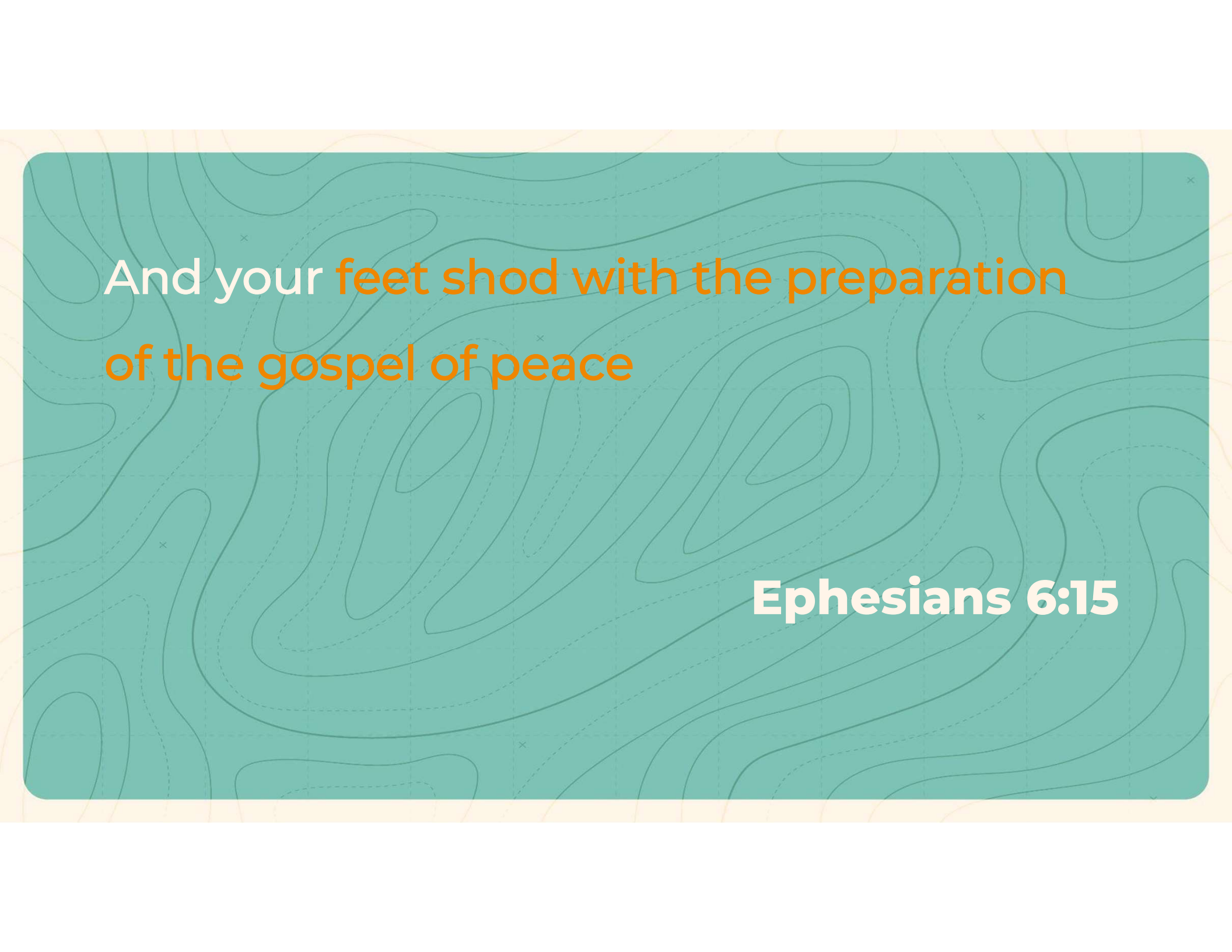


- Commitment to Integrity and Honesty
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- Truth is primary, not secondary!

Breastplate of Righteousness

- Significance-Protects heart and vital organs
- Protects Us
- Living a Righteous Life
- Defense Against Accusation
- Moral Integrity

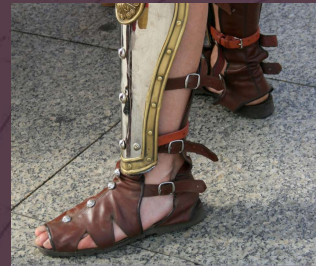


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And your feet shod with the preparation
of the gospel of peace

Ephesians 6:15

Feet Shod with the Preparation of the Gospel of Peace



- Prepared to Share the Gospel and Spread Good News
- Standing Firm in God's Peace
- Provides Stability, Support, Comfort, and Reassurance

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wherewith ye shall be able to quench all
the fiery darts of the wicked.**

Ephesians 6:16

Shield of Faith

- Protection Against Spiritual Attacks
- Ability to push forward
- Active Faith
- Unity of Faith



And take the helmet of salvation, and the
Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of
God.

Ephesians 6:17

Helmet of Salvation

- Protects the Head (mind, thoughts, beliefs)
- Pray without ceasing.



Sword of the Spirit (Word of God)

- Significance (defensive and offensive weapon)
- Strategies for using the WORD
- Power to Transform Lives
- You Thrust with a Sword



For the Word of God is quick, and
powerful, and sharper than any twoedged
sword, piercing even to the dividing
usunder of soul and spirit...

Hebrews 4:12

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Ephesians 6:18

Role of Prayer

- Necessary in Spiritual Warfare
- Petition
- Intercession
- Guidance
- Stay Alert and Persevere in Prayer



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