

PUTTING ON THE ARMOR OF GOD BY FAITH EXPRESSED IN PRAYER

The Belt

I confidently take the belt of truth that You offer me. I reject Satan's lies and deceiving ways to gain advantage against me. I desire to believe only the truth, to live the truth, to speak the truth, and to know the truth. I believe in the absolute authority of the Scriptures. I believe that the Bible is infallible and without error. It is my purpose to live in harmony with them. Thank You that Satan cannot stand against the bold use of biblical truth.

The Sandals

Thank You, Lord, for the sandals of peace You have provided. I desire to stand on the solid rock of peace with God. I believe the truth that I have been completely reconciled to You through the Gospel. I understand and believe that God is completely satisfied with the payment for my sins that Jesus made on the Cross. I will never believe that You would reject me or be angry with me as a person.

The Breastplate

Thank You for the breastplate of righteousness which You provide for me. Thank You for the truth that all of my righteousness comes from You. I have received that righteousness through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. I reject all trust in my own righteousness which is as filthy rags. I confess that I have counted my own goodness as being acceptable before You. I have complete confidence that by Grace You have declared me to be as righteous as Jesus Christ forever.

The Helmet

I recognize that my mind is a particular target of Satan's deceiving ways. I recognize that the Lord Jesus Christ is my salvation. I purpose to bring every thought captive and obedient to Christ. I believe that You have given me assurance of my eternal salvation based upon the trustworthiness of Christ's promise and I will not entertain doubts concerning Your purpose to keep me secure in Christ.

The Shield

Eagerly, Lord, I lift up the shield of faith against all the fiery darts that Satan and his evil spirits launch at my mind. Help me to recognize the approach of temptation coming from fiery darts and to resist them with prayer and Scripture. I believe that the weapons provided me are powerful through You and I will actively employ them in faith to resist the Devil.

The Sword

With joy I take hold upon the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. I firmly believe that Your Word is the authoritative, infallible Word of God. I choose to believe it and to live in its truth and power. Grant me proficient recall and skill in using Your Word against all of Satan's subtle attacks against me, even as the Lord Jesus Christ used the Word to defeat Satan's temptations.

Prayer

Thank You, dear Lord, for prayer. Help me to keep this armor well oiled with prayer. I put on this armor, today, and I purpose to live and walk in dependence upon the Holy Spirit as I continue to minister to others especially in prayer. I desire to pray at all times with depth and intensity as the Holy Spirit leads me. Enable me to see their needs and to assist them through prayer as the enemy attacks them. All of these petitions, intercessions, and words of praise I offer up before the true and living God in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.