

Stand Firm
series on
The Armour of God
Term 1 2021



Title: *Stand Firm*

Week 1: Be Strong in the Lord (Eph 6:10).

Week 2: Right Armour for the Battle (Eph 6:11-12). Wiles of the devil, what do they look like? How do you recognise them?

Week 3: Belt (Eph (6:13-14). What do we mean by truth? How do we know if something is true?

Week 4: Chest Plate (Eph 6:14b). What is righteousness? Why is it important? Where else in the book of Ephesians does Paul talk about righteousness and what do you learn about it? In what ways can we display righteousness?

Week 5: Shoes (Eph 6:15). Why does Paul use the phrase "Gospel of peace"? What does mean? Why must it be in readiness?

Week 6 : Shield (Eph 6:16). Why is faith like a shield? In what ways does faith extinguish the arrows of the evil one? What kinds of arrows does the evil one use?

Week 7: Helmet (Eph 6:17a). What does it mean to be saved? How do you know you are saved? The helmet is protection for the head so what do you think is the correlation between helmet and salvation (if there is one)? How does the evil try to rob us of our salvation?

Week 8: Sword (Eph 6:17b). How does the word of God help to discern what we hear or read or are influenced by (2 Cor 10:5)? Is the word of God for attack or defence or both and in what way?

Week 9: Open Hands (Eph 6:18-20). Why is our prayer life difficult to sustain (pray on all occasions)? What do we tend to limit our prayers to? Is Paul's request in 6:19-20 something we ask for? If not why not?

These are the things we will be covering during this series. As you are aware I have suggested a resource that you can use but here I have added some questions if you would prefer to simply follow the sermon series and push into the text a little more. You can also come up with your own questions if you like. If you do not want to use the book we suggested perhaps you could talk about what you learn from the sermon and discuss those things as well as look at the suggested questions above.

Listen carefully to each other and hear people's concerns and thoughts. There will be things that come up in this series that will be difficult, particularly around the spiritual realm, so take your time, seek answers, stick to the text. Please do not judge those who may think a little differently to you. In other words, choose your battles carefully, graciously and biblically. Grow together!