

Spiritual Armor: Salvation and Scripture

Ephesians 6:10-20 (focus on vs 17)

This passage is about “spiritual warfare” and our need to be equipped so that we can effectively engage the spiritual forces of evil. We can’t do it on our own, so God graciously and strategically gives us spiritual armor so we can be strong in the Lord, stand against the schemes of the devil and stand firm. Most of the armor is defensive in nature. Now armor is introduced that is also meant for going on the offensive.

Helmet Protection

“Take” – by faith receive from Christ for your own interests

Salvation’s gracious nature (*Ephesians 2:4-5*)

Assurance security (*Ephesians 2:6-7*)

Sword Wielding

Both defensive & offensive

Of the Spirit (*2 Timothy 3:16-17*)

Living & Active (*Hebrews 4:12-13*)

Reveals & examines our heart

Fully exposed & accountable to God

Learning from Jesus

Counter temptation (*Matthew 4:1-11*)

Explain prophetic mysteries (*Matthew 11:9-11, Luke 24:44-49*)

Reveal God’s divine plan (*Matthew 26:31-32*)

Correct falsehood & opponents (*Mark 7:6-8*)

Call for radical commitment (*Matthew 21:12-13*)

Encourage others to know & speak God’s Word (*Luke 10:25-28*)