

# Standing Strong - Part II

Ephesians 6:14-15

## I The Believer's Source Of Strength

- A. Be \_\_\_\_\_ in the Lord - 1 Cor 16:13
  - 1. Love God and abide in Christ - Jn 15:4-6
- B. Be strong in His mighty \_\_\_\_\_ - Acts 1:8
- C. Put on the full \_\_\_\_\_ of God - 1 Thess 5:8; 2 Cor 10:4-5
- D. \_\_\_\_\_ your ground victoriously - Isa 40:28-31; 1 Jn 4:4
  - 1. Against the devil's \_\_\_\_\_ - 2 Cor 11:14; 1 Pet 5:8-9
    - a. Persecution - 1 Pet 5:8-9; Matt 10:22; 5:11
    - b. False doctrine - Mk 13:22-23; 1 Tim 4:1-2
    - c. Temptation - Gen 3:1; Matt 4:1; 1 Cor 10:13; Jam 4:7
    - d. Trials - Job 1:9-11; James 1:2-4; 1 Pet 5:10
    - e. Personal conflict - Ps 109:1-5; Eph 4:26; 2 Tim 2:23
    - f. Unresolved sin issues - 1 Jn 1:9; Matt 5:23-24; 18:15-17
    - g. Discouragement - 1 Kings 19:1-4

## II The Believer's Source Of Protection

- A. The belt of \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Satan's scheme: To entice you to \_\_\_\_\_ God  
Jn 8:44; Gen 3:1-5; 2 Cor 11:3
  - 2. God's armor: \_\_\_\_\_
    - a. Jesus is the truth - Jn 14:6
    - b. The \_\_\_\_\_ reveals truth - Jn 17:17
    - c. The Spirit guides us into truth - Jn 14:16-17; 16:13
- B. The breastplate of \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Satan's scheme: To entice you to a \_\_\_\_\_-based faith  
Rom 9:30-32; Titus 3:5; Eph 2:8-9
  - 2. God's armor: Righteousness based on \_\_\_\_\_ alone  
Rom 3:21-24; 4:4-8; Phil 3:8-9
- C. The footwear of \_\_\_\_\_
  - 1. Satan's scheme: To entice you to \_\_\_\_\_ and fear
  - 2. God's armor: Peace thru the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ  
Rom 5:1-2; Isa 32:17; Jn 16:33

## PERSONAL APPLICATION

Take some time this week to consider the following:

1. Satan has an arsenal of weapons, including psychological warfare, that he uses to demoralize and defeat the believer. What are some of the tactics of psychological warfare he has used on you? Did they work?
2. One of the greatest deceptions of the enemy is to get us to think and live like civilians rather than soldiers of Christ. In your day to day life, are you more like a spiritual civilian or soldier? What impact does this have on your battle preparedness?
3. What lies has the Satan used to create doubt, neutralize your strength, and to drive a wedge between you and God? What does God's Word say that refutes this deception?
4. Read Romans 3:20-24. According to this passage, by what means do we attain a righteous standing before God? How would it serve Satan's strategic purpose for you to attempt to earn a righteous standing via good works instead of by faith?
5. It's been said that "A person can go through anything if he has peace." Where has Satan been strategically attempting to steal your peace? Read Rom 5:1-2 and Phil 4:5-6 and take a moment to talk with God about your concerns in prayer.
6. The armor of a Roman soldier couldn't be put on without assistance from a fellow soldier. Who helps you put on your spiritual armor? And who are you helping with their armor? [For extra credit read and discuss Hebrews 4:12-13]
7. Satan can't make you do anything. So he must deceive you into cooperating with his deadly plan for your life. Is there an area in your life right now where Satan is subtly and covertly enticing you to spiritual defeat and surrender? In light of all that you have learned in Eph 6:10-15, what do you need to do?

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