Ephesians 6:10-20 • The Full Armor of God

- 1. (v.10) This is not about operating according to our own <u>strength</u> but Christ's.
- 2. (v.11) The place of battle is described as "stand firm" and the enemy as "schemes of the devil". It is a <u>personal</u> battle.
- 3. (v.12) It is a <u>spiritual</u> battle that can only be won with <u>spiritual</u> weapons.
- 4. (v.13) We are not ordered to **pursue** and **conquer** but to "stand" and "resist". The battle comes to us.
- 5. (v.14-17) The seven qualities of God's armor:
 - a. <u>Truth</u> (v.14)
 - b. Righteousness (v.14) [1 Jn. 3:7-10]
 - c. The Gospel (v.15)
 - d. Faith (v.16) [1 Pe. 5:9-10]
 - e. Salvation (v.17) [1 Th. 5:8]
 - f. <u>God's Word</u> (v.17) [Heb. 4:12] [See: Is. 49:2; Rev. 1:16; Rev. 19:15]
 - g. <u>Prayer</u> (v.17)
- 6. (v.18-20) The <u>spear</u> of <u>prayer</u> is the weapon which keeps the enemy at a distance. [Lk. 21:36]