

A Life of Faith- Every Day
Ephesians 6:10-20
Godly Battle Part 2

“Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm.”

Ephesians 6:13

Life Application: Put on your spiritual armor and get in the battle!

3 battle elements:

- Shield of Faith: A large door-like object made of 2 layers of wood, front covered with linen and animal hide (which was soaked in water before battle) and bound together with iron on the sides.
- Helmet of Salvation: A thick iron or bronze helmet with a lining of felt or sponge. Only an axe or hammer could pierce this heavy helmet.
- Sword of the Spirit: The only offensive weapon of the group. This is not the long sword often thought of, but rather a short 6-12 inch long razor-sharp knife attached to the soldier's thigh. It was used for close, hand-to-hand combat.

Point: Strong faith stops Satan's attacks.

“For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world- our faith.”

1 John 5:4

Pray for God to enlarge your faith to defend
against enemy attack!

Point: Remind yourself again and again that you are now a child of God.

“For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

Romans 8:38-39

Guard your minds against the lies that Satan tries to speak to you and remind yourself what God has done!

Point: Know and speak the Word of God to combat evil.

The “words” we are to take up are actual spoken words of the Scriptures. We speak them not to shame people or sound spiritual, but powerfully as rebukes to the enemy.

Take up the Sword of the Spirit because
the enemy is *already close!*

The unfinished business of prayer...

Once dressed for battle- engage in
the battle through prayer!

Sermon by Pastor Dave Williams on Sunday, May 31st, 2015
Next week: Godly Friends- Ephesians 6:21-24