

VICTORY
IN SPIRITUAL WARFARE



SWORD OF THE SPIRIT

*¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.
¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.
¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.*



Ephesians 6:10-13

14 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. 16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. 18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.

Ephesians 6:14-18

THE ARMOR

- Belt
- Breastplate
- Feet Fitted
- Shield
- Helmet
- Sword

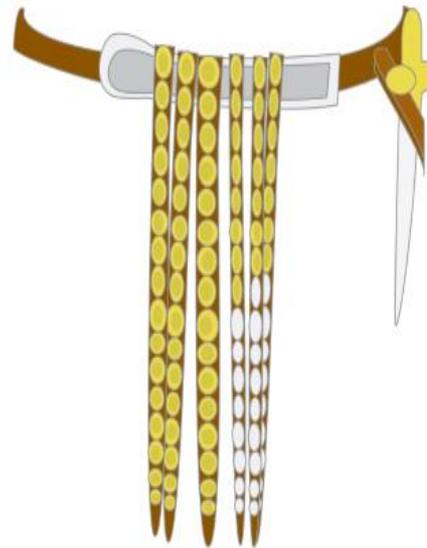


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ARMOR OF GOD **Belt**

The leather belt was tied around a wool tunic. Connected bronze plates hung from the belt to protect the soldier's groin area.



ARMOR OF LEGIONARY **Cingulum (Girdle or Belt)**

Supports sword, dagger and bronze apron

Worn at all times, even without other armor pieces

ARMOR OF GOD **Belt of Truth**

"Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth..."
Ephesians 6:14a

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ARMOR OF GOD Breastplate

The iron or bronze scaled armor was built in four sections to cover each shoulder and side of the chest. The plates were sewn to a stiff leather vest, which was put on like a jacket before the front plates were tied with leather straps.



ARMOR OF LEGIONARY
**Lorica Segmentata
(Breastplate)**
Guarded vital organs

ARMOR OF GOD
**Breastplate of
Righteousness**

"...and having put on the
breastplate of righteousness..."
Ephesians 6:14b

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ARMOR OF GOD **Sandals**

Thick leather soles, embedded with hobnails or bits of rock for increased traction, were tied to the feet with numerous leather straps.



ARMOR OF LEGIONARY

Caligae (Sandals)

Fit for both marching and fighting

Became more comfortable with constant wear

ARMOR OF GOD

Readiness/Preparation of the Gospel of Peace

"...and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace."

Ephesians 6:15

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ARMOR OF GOD

Shield

The curve was created using three bonded layers of thin wood strips. Covered by linen or leather, the shield was painted according to legion. A bronze rim covered the rounded edges as additional protection.



ARMOR OF LEGIONARY Scutum (Shield)

Overlapping shields allowed soldiers to advance together

Shield was used to defend the entire body, including the back

ARMOR OF GOD Shield of Faith

“In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one...”
Ephesians 6:16

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ARMOR OF GOD

Helmet

The iron helmet was forged from one piece of metal and lined with leather. Crests made of dyed horsehair indicated rank. Plates hung down along the cheeks and another plate protected the back of the neck and shoulders.



ARMOR OF LEGIONARY Galea (Helmet)

Protected head and neck from enemy attacks

ARMOR OF GOD Helmet of Salvation

"...and take on the helmet of salvation..." Ephesians 6:17a

THE WORD OF GOD IS:

- **Alive and active.**
- **Like a fire.**
- **Profitable for doctrine, reproof, correction, and instruction for righteousness.**
- **Meant for man to live by.**
- **Full of the Spirit and life.**
- **Truth.**



Revelation 1:16

In his right hand he held seven stars, and coming out of his mouth was a sharp, double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance.



Revelation 2:16

Repent therefore! Otherwise, I will soon come to you and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.



Matthew 4:4

Jesus answered, “It is written: ‘Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.’”



Matthew 4:7

*Jesus answered him, “It is also written:
‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’”*



Matthew 4:10-11

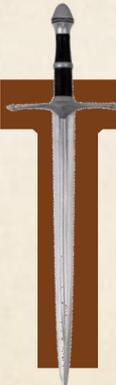
Jesus said to him, “Away from me, Satan! For it is written: ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.’”¹¹ Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.



Reminders

- **Wear your custom armor.**
- **Use the sword that you have.**
- **Don't get cocky in the battle.**





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