

Read Ephesians 6:10-18 together. So far, in describing the full Armor of God, Paul has told us to put on the Belt of Truth and the Breastplate of Righteousness. Looking back, how would you summarize the purpose of these first two pieces of armor?

Today, Paul tells us to fit our feet with, “the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.” In a paragraph all about spiritual warfare and armor, why do you think Paul points to peace?

Read Isaiah 32:16-17. The prophet Isaiah, whom Paul draws his inspiration for this text from, tells us that the result of righteousness will be peace. How does righteousness produce peace between us and God?

Read Ephesians 2:13-22. What does Paul say Jesus’ purpose was in his death and resurrection?

Read Ephesians 2:19-21 again. How important would you say peace with others is to the ultimate mission and goal of Christ in our world?

Paul doesn’t tell us to put the Gospel on as our sandals, but rather, to fit our feet with the readiness that comes from the Gospel of peace. What do you think he is saying?

How does the pursuit of peace in our world today thwart the plans and schemes of the devil?

Do you believe that there could be peace?

Read John 14:27. As he promises to give us the Holy Spirit, Jesus says, “my peace I give to you.” Where do you see the need for peace in our world today?

What is something that you could do to be a peacemaker into that situation?

Close your time in prayer, thanking Jesus for the work of peace that he has brought into our lives and asking him to help us be ready, always, to be peacemakers in his world today.