

## **Spiritual Astronauts**

Ephesians 6:10-18

Have you ever saw someone wearing a motorcycle helmet with no bike in sight? Rarely does this happen because a helmet is not needed until you get on to ride. But it does look odd when you see them. I remember as a kid, we would put on a cowboy hat or a gladiator helmet and begin to believe we were that character and play all day as them. But later, we were asked to remove our costume and go to bed.

On July 20, 1969, Neil Armstrong and Edwin “Buzz” Aldrin put on their spacesuits and went to the moon. They spent 21 hours and 31minutes on the moon and returned home. They remained in their suits the whole time. Likewise as Christians we should never remove our spiritual armor.

*“Finally be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power and put on the full armor of God, so that you may take your stand against the devil’s schemes.” Ephesians 6:10*

As we grow up, we put the costume aside and act like adults. We are persuaded to conform to society, as society dictates, in a matter of speaking. Yet for the Christian to engage in the world and not put on the full armor of God, it’s not mature at all. In fact, it is childish. Hard to believe that when we were young, God had a plan for our silliness.

Today, if you expect to prevail over the enemy, you must “put on” the full armor of God. If not, you will suffocate, because if you try to live without the helmet of salvation, the breastplate of righteousness or the Sword of the Spirit and so on, you will spiritually die.

Just think even Buzz Light Year never took his spacesuit off and his motto should be ours, “To infinity and beyond!” God bless you this day and be strong in the Lord and in His mighty power!

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