

References and/or Scripture Quoted

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Be Strong In The Lord

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Ephesians 6:10-24

The Armor of God

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against ^[a]flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*. ¹³ Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, ¹⁵ and having shod YOUR FEET WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL OF PEACE; ^{16 [b]} in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil *one*. ¹⁷ And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

^{18 [c]} With all prayer and petition ^[d] pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, ^[e] be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints, ¹⁹ and *pray* on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in ^[f] chains; that ^[g] in *proclaiming* it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

²¹ But that you also may know about my circumstances, ^[h] how I am doing, Tychicus, the beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, will make everything known to you. ^{22 [i]} I have sent him to you for this very purpose, so that you may know ^[j] about us, and that he may comfort your hearts.

²³ Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

²⁴ Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ ^[k] with incorruptible *love*.

Footnotes:

- a. Ephesians 6:12 Lit *blood and flesh*
- b. Ephesians 6:16 Lit *in all*
- c. Ephesians 6:18 Lit *Through*
- d. Ephesians 6:18 Lit *praying*
- e. Ephesians 6:18 Lit *being*
- f. Ephesians 6:20 Lit *a chain*
- g. Ephesians 6:20 Two early mss read *I may speak it boldly*
- h. Ephesians 6:21 Lit *what*
- i. Ephesians 6:22 Lit *Whom I have sent to you*
- j. Ephesians 6:22 Lit *the things about us*
- k. Ephesians 6:24 Lit *in incorruption*