



SERIES: REALITY

Ephesians 6:10-17

We are part of the greatest cosmic war.
How can we fight it?

THE RIGHT TOOLS

*That is why you need to put on **God's full armor**. Then on the day of evil you will **be able to stand strong**. And when you have finished the whole fight, **you will still be standing**."*

Ephesians 6:13 NCV

What were the things you've done that drove your mom crazy?

**1. I WANT TO BE _____
AT THE END OF EVERY DAY**

"And when you have finished the whole fight, *you will still be standing*."

Ephesians 6:13b

"The day of evil is *anytime during this era* in history until Jesus returns. All days are evil in their potential and become evil in reality when Satan or his demons decide to use that day to attack you."

M. Anders, *Galatians to Colossians*, Holman New Testament Commentary vol.8, p.190

2. USE THE _____ ARMOR

...put on God's full armor... So stand strong!"

Ephesians 6:13a,14a

BELT = **TRUTH**;

BREASTPLATE = **RIGHTEOUSNESS**;

READINESS (SHOES) = **GOSPEL**;

SHIELD = **FAITH**

"Roman infantrymen wore tough sandals studded with sharp, thick nails on the bottoms to increase traction." So the gospel of peace enables "us to move forward, on the offense, against our enemies (cf. Isa. 52:7)".

Thomas Constable, Notes on Ephesians, p.103

3. DON'T FORGET THE _____

"Accept God's salvation as your helmet..."

Ephesians 6:17

The brain is quite possibly the most important part of the body. It controls whether or not we breathe, our heartbeat and how we think, reason, make judgments, see, feel, hear, move and so much more."

Rachel Blackburn, Helmets: Are They REALLY That Important?

4. GO FOR THE _____

*"...and take the sword of the Spirit, which is **the word of God.**"*

Ephesians 6:17b

Greek **Rhéma** (rhéō, "to speak") – a spoken word, **made "by the living voice"** (J. Thayer).

**WHERE DO YOU NEED
THE "LIVING VOICE" OF GOD
TO SPEAK INTO YOUR LIFE?**