

1  **THANK YOU, VETERANS!**2  **THANK YOU FOR...**

- Your SERVICE
- Your COURAGE
- Your SACRIFICE

THAT WE MAY STILL LIVE IN THE LAND OF THE FREE.

3  **SPIRITUAL WARFARE**4  **THE ENEMY**

(Ephesians 6:12) For our struggle is not against 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. (NASB)

5  **THE ENEMY**

(1 Peter 5:8) Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls about like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. (NASB)

6  **Must Not Underestimate The Devil**


- Crafty – II Cor. 11:3
- Experienced – Gen. 3:1
- Determined – Job 2:3-5
- Opportunistic – II Cor. 2:11

7  **WHAT'S AT STAKE**

- Your soul
- The souls of others
- The cause of Christ

8  **How The Devil Wins**

- Get People to Sin
- Discourage People
- Diminish Influence of Christians
- Dilute The Truth

9  **How Can We Fight Him**

(Ephesians 6:10-11) Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of His might. Put on the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. (NASB)

10  **THE ARMOR OF GOD****Ephesians 6:13-18**

- Compare with a Soldier
- Imagine a soldier going into battle without armor, without a weapon
- Must take battle seriously


11  **GIRDING LOINS**

- Ready for action

(1 Peter 1:13) Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; (NKJV)













12  **GIRDING LOINS**

- Ready for action
 - I Pet. 1:13
- TRUTH
 - Cannot be ready if we don't know
 - John 8:31-32


13  **GIRDING LOINS with TRUTH**

- (John 8:31-32) Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." (NKJV)

14  **BREASTPLATE**

- Protects vital organs
 - Keeps Us Alive
 - RIGHTEOUSNESS
 - (Being right w/ God)
 - Romans 1:16-17
- 15  **BREASTPLATE of RIGHTEOUSNESS**
 • (Romans 1:16-17) For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "The just shall live by faith." (NKJV)
- 16  **FOOTGEAR**
 • First Offensive armament – allows mobility
 • Take ground from enemy
 • PREPARATION OF GOSPEL
 - I Peter 3:15
 - I Timothy 2:15
- 17  **FOOTGEAR: THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL**
 (1 Peter 3:15) But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts, and always be ready to give a defense to everyone who asks you a reason for the hope that is in you, with meekness and fear; (NKJV)
- 18  **FOOTGEAR: THE PREPARATION OF THE GOSPEL**
 (2 Timothy 2:15) Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. (NKJV)
- 19  **SHIELD**
 • Protection from any direction
 • FAITH
 • Believe in what you're doing!
- 20  **SHIELD of FAITH**
 (Hebrews 11:32) And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: (NKJV)
- 21  **SHIELD of FAITH**
 (Hebrews 11:33) who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, (NKJV)
- 22  **SHIELD of FAITH**
 (Hebrews 11:34) quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. (NKJV)
- 23  **HELMET**
 • Protects our Brain
 • SALVATION
 • Hope of salvation keeps our focus where it needs to be
- 24  **HELMET of SALVATION**
 (1 Thessalonians 5:8) But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. (NKJV)
- 25  **WORD**
 • Offensive weapon
 • Does damage to the enemy
 • WORD OF GOD
 • Hebrews 4:12
 • Acts 11:14
- 26  **WORD of Spirit: The Word**
 (Hebrews 4:12) For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged

sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. (NKJV)

27  **SWORD of Spirit: The Word**

(Acts 11:13-14) "And he told us how he had seen an angel standing in his house, who said to him, 'Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon whose surname is Peter, 'who will tell you words by which you and all your household will be saved.' (NKJV)

28  **COMMUNICATION**


- Vital to success
- PRAYER
- For self and others

29  **COMMUNICATION: PRAYER**

(Ephesians 6:18) praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints-- (NKJV)

30  **COMMUNICATION: PRAYER**

(Ephesians 6:19-20) and for me, that utterance may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel, for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak. (NKJV)

31  **BE ALERT**

- Cannot Let Guard Down
- Devil will attack our weakest point at weakest time
- But – I Corinthians 10:12-13
- And – James 4:7

32  **BE ALERT**

(1 Corinthians 10:12) Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. (NKJV)

33  **BE ALERT**

(1 Corinthians 10:13) No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it. (NKJV)

34  **THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD**

(Romans 8:31) What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us? (NASB)

35  **THE BATTLE BELONGS TO THE LORD**

(Isaiah 54:17) No weapon formed against you shall prosper, And every tongue which rises against you in judgment You shall condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, And their righteousness is from Me," Says the LORD. (NKJV)

36  **Fight the Good Fight**

(1 Timothy 6:12) Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. (NKJV)