



Ephesians

*“Becoming Who You Are
in Christ!”*

Week 10: “Ready for Battle!”

September 1, 2024

Ephesians 6:10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. 13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. 14 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. 16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. 18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

19 Pray also for me, that whenever I open my mouth, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Are you ready for battle?

1. Know your _____.

a. Your enemy is _____ people.

- *Ephesians 6:12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood*

b. Your enemy is the _____ of Satan

- *Ephesians 6: 12 ...but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms*

2. Know the enemy's _____.

a. He is _____

- *1 John 3:8 The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning.*

b. He is _____

- *Genesis 3:13 The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."*

c. He is _____

- *Isaiah 59:2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear.*

3. Know how to _____.

a. _____ the power of God

b. _____ the power of God

i. _____: Set's me free from Satan's lies!

- *John 8:31 To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. 32 Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

ii. _____: I am perfect in Christ

- *Romans 3:22 This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.*

iii. _____: Jesus died for me!

- *Romans 1:16 I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. 17 For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."*

iv. _____ – I trust fully in Christ

- *Ephesians 2:8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— 9 not by works, so that no one can boast.*

v. _____ - Heaven is mine by grace

- *Ephesians 1:13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,*

vi. _____ - the sword of the Spirit

- *Hebrews 4:12 For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.*

vii. _____ : Connect with God

- *Philippians 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. 7 And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.*

Become who you are... Ready to win the battle !

MY PERSONAL NOTES

Everyone Outreach Witness Idea: *The goal of winning the spiritual battles is to diminish the influence of Satan in the world. What changes in your relationships as you seek to address conflict and challenges from a spiritual perspective versus a personal perspective? How might it open a discussion of spiritual matters*

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7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace & that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. Ephesians 1:7-8

SERMON REFLECTIONS: Apply to My Life

The thought the Spirit is leading me to focus on is:

The change the Spirit is leading me to work on is:

The action the Spirit is prompting me to take is:

My prayers today are:

Someone I would like to bless with today's message: