

Lesson 3 Part 2  
The Armor of God

**Read Ephesians 6:18**  
**Praying Always in the Spirit**

Here is where the Christian soldier stands apart from any worldly soldier. We have what no other army has—the power of prayer. God alone is all-knowing. God alone created us and saved us on the cross at Calvary. He is the final ruling authority. There is no greater power than the Lord God Almighty—and this is whom we serve.

Now, as Christians, we are born again of God's Spirit. It is His Spirit who guides us in how we should pray. That is why we are told to pray with supplication in the Spirit. The Spirit of God will give us insight into what we need to pray for. We are also urged to be watchful (on the alert), to persevere and to pray for the needs of our brothers and sisters in Christ who fight the same war we do. (Read John 14:12-14, 1 Thessalonians 5:17, and 1 Peter 5:8-9 for additional insight.)

1. Read Ephesians 6:10-13. In whose might and power are we to be strong?

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2. How are we to do this (verse 11)? Why?

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3. What should we not war against (verse 12)?

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4. Against whom do we fight (verse 12)?

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5. Considering those we war against, what are we to do and why (verse 13)?

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In these four verses, all true believers are strongly exhorted twice to take up the whole armor of God, so that we can stand victoriously against the Devil and his demon army.

6. Read 2 Timothy 2:3-4. What must good soldiers of Christ endure (verse 3)?

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7. What are we asked not to entangle ourselves with (verse 4)? Why?

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One Step to Freedom  
Chapter 5: Spiritual Warfare

If you are a child of God, saved by faith in Jesus Christ, you are not only a citizen in heaven but you are a soldier in the Lord's army. This is the best army—because Christ has already won the war! Jesus will equip you to fight these spiritual battles. What a blessing and a privilege that the Creator of the universe allows you to be a co-worker alongside Him for His kingdom of righteousness.

One final thought. It's interesting to note that the armor of God has nothing to protect your back. Do you know why? Because God expects you to go forward in spiritual battles. The only reason you would need protection for your back is if you ran away from the battle. And God would never call you to do that.