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THE ARMOUR OF GOD PART 3

THE BELT OF TRUTH

We have been learning that our battles are not with flesh and blood, but with the spirits behind the individuals. We learned that we must be strong in the Lord and not in our own strength. We are told to put on the whole armour of God to stand against the wiles (cunning devices or tricks) of the devil.

Today we will go on to Ephesians 6:13 where it says, ***"Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."*** This lets us know that it takes "all" of God's armour for us to be effective in the war against Satan. Verse 14 starts with; ***"Stand therefore..."*** When someone makes a stand, they are not double minded. In James 1:8 it says, ***"A double minded man (woman) is unstable in all his (her) ways."*** You will notice, that when someone is double minded that they are unstable. They don't make a stand for anything. They wobble back and forth in their convictions and often change their mind from moment to moment by the circumstances in their lives. If we are to do what Ephesians 6:13 tells us in making a stand, we must make a decision. The decision must not be based on circumstances, but on the word of God.

Verse 14 goes on to say, ***"...having your loins girt about with truth."*** This is also called the belt of truth. How do we know what truth is so we aren't unstable and can make a stand? Jesus said in John 14:6, "... I am the way, the truth, and the life...." This let's us know that Jesus is that belt of truth. When we wear that belt, we are wearing Jesus. Jesus is the word made flesh, so truth is the word of God. We put the word into our hearts, and wear it like a belt, protecting our inner man. This piece of armour is so important, because if we don't know what truth is, we will fall for deception.

Tomorrow we will continue with the other parts of the armour.