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THE ARMOUR OF GOD PART 4

THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

Today we continue our teaching on the armour of God with the second part of Ephesians 6:14 where it says, ***"... and having on the breastplate of righteousness."*** The breastplate covers the heart, where the Spirit of God lives. We receive salvation by grace and the Holy Spirit brings us the righteousness of Christ into our hearts (spirits). In II Corinthians 5:21 it says, ***"For he (God the Father) hath made him (Jesus Christ) to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him."***

When we are born again, we are placed into the body of Christ by the Holy Spirit. There is a great transfer when this happens. Our sins are put on Jesus, and His righteousness is put on us. He knew no sin and we did. He took our sin, and we received his robe of righteousness.

In Isaiah 61:10 it says, ***"I will greatly rejoice in the LORD (Jehovah or Yahweh), my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels."***

Think of it my friends. God looks at us as one of his jewels. He adorns himself with "us," his jewels. In Malachi 3:17 it says, ***"And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels, and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him."*** God spared not his own son, but he spared us.

As we wear the breastplate of righteousness, we must always keep in mind that it is Jesus that we are wearing over and in our heart. He is the breastplate of righteousness. We should walk tall, knowing that God is our breastplate that wards off the darts of the evil one. Oh, the glory to be covered with His robe of righteousness.