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Ephesians 6:10-17

(10) Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. (11) Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. (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.

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(13) Therefore, take up the full armor of god, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

(14) Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, (15) and having shod your feet with the preparation of the

gospel of peace;

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(16) in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil *one*. (17) And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Ephesians 6:10-17 Overview

- 1. We are in a battle
- 2. We fight against a real adversary
- 3. We have adequate resources
- 4. We must utilize God's resources to avoid casualties

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Web Belt of Truth

<u>Cultural lies that Satan uses?</u>

- There are no absolutes
- We can have a moral society without God
- Morality is determined by the culture
- Sex outside of marriage is no big deal

Cultural lies

- Divorce is always an option
- Children are resilient and not effected by marital conflict
- A child in the womb is not a real person
- Personal comfort trumps biblical morality
- Sexual orientation is a personal option
- Sexual purity is obsolete

Personal lies we tend to believe

- God does not care about you, take charge of your destiny and make your own decisions.
- God wants you to be happy, so do whatever
- God may have shown up in the past but unlikely tomorrow

Personal lies

- God wants you to clean up your life and then he will accept you
- If you surrender your life to God, you will miss out on a lot your deserve
- The Bible is helpful but not essential
- · Truth is what is real to you

Battle Plan

- Identify the lie
- Confront with truth
- Expose the deceit

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