

## Battle Ready

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### Ephesians 6:10-20

#### Using This Study

##### ❶ EXAMINE His Word

What does God SAY? Open your time with prayer. The words God uses to communicate matters, so go back and pay close attention to the details that are emphasized or repeated in the passage.

##### ❷ EXPLORE His Word

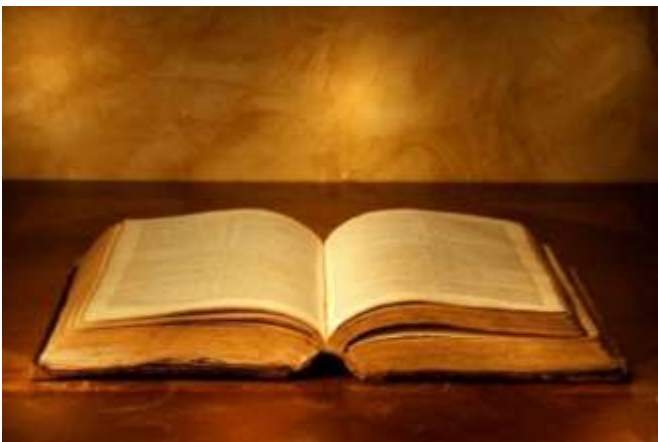
What does God MEAN? Asking questions of the text helps surface how the details relate to the message God wants to communicate.

##### ❸ EMBRACE His Word

Why does it MATTER to me? Embrace God by responding to what you discover in His word in faith and obedience.



Our last message from the book of Ephesians is from chapter 6 verses 10-20. These verses are the well-known passage about the armor of God. There is a spiritual battle raging around us and we must make sure that we are equipped to fight in the battle. There is no sideline and none are civilian bystanders. God has given us everything we need to be equipped for the battle. Sunday morning we will take a closer look at what it takes to be prepared and to be Battle Ready.



## ① EXAMINE His Word

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What does God SAY? Prayerfully note significant details and terms emphasized in the passage.

### Read Ephesians 6:10-20 (NET)

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strengthened in the Lord and in the strength of his power.

<sup>11</sup> Clothe yourselves with the full armor of God so that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil.

<sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavens.

<sup>13</sup> For this reason, take up the full armor of God so that you may be able to stand your ground on the evil day, and having done everything, to stand.

<sup>14</sup> Stand firm therefore, by fastening the belt of truth around your waist, by putting on the breastplate of righteousness,

<sup>15</sup> by fitting your feet with the preparation that comes from the good news of peace,

<sup>16</sup> and in all of this, by taking up the shield of faith with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

<sup>17</sup> And take *the helmet of salvation* and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

<sup>18</sup> With every prayer and petition, pray at all times in the Spirit, and to this end be alert, with all perseverance and requests for all the saints.

<sup>19</sup> Pray for me also, that I may be given the message when I begin to speak—that I may confidently make known the mystery of the gospel,

<sup>20</sup> for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may be able to speak boldly as I ought to speak.

## ② EXPLORE His Word

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What does God MEAN?

1. What does the armor of God allow us to do?

2. Who is the battle with?

3. What are the six pieces of armor and how do they prepare us for battle?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. One of the most important things about being battle ready is good communication. Where do we see communication addressed in this passage?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. What do we know about the way Satan will attack?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
6. What are we fighting for?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
7. Which of the pieces of armor require a knowledge about how to use them and is this significant?

## **③ EMBRACE His Word**

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Why does this MATTER to me?

### **Summarize your thoughts on the passage:**

Write about what God wants you to KNOW, to FEEL, and to DO...

### **Sermon Notes**

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