

Weapons of Warfare

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I. Introduction.

- A. Ephesians 6.
- B. There is a battle going on that is a spiritual battle.
- C. The enemy is the Devil.
- D. There are weapons we can use against the Devil.

II. Be strong in the Lord.

- A. This is being strong in Jesus.
- B. We serve a mighty God. (Psalm 145:3, Genesis 1, Psalm 33:6-9, Isaiah 40:12)
- C. God is in control, and He knows all the big things and the little things.

III. Put on the whole armor of God.

- A. It only takes missing one piece of the armor to be harmed.
- B. We have to be completely equipped with all of the armor all of the time.
- C. The reason we take on the whole armor is so that we might be able to stand for God.
- D. Truth is a weapon.
- E. We seek to stand against the wiles of the Devil. (2 Corinthians 11:3)
- F. Everything we do, we are to do to the glory of God. (1 Corinthians 10:32)

IV. Put on the breastplate of righteousness.

- A. We all want to do right.
- B. The key is doing unto others as we would have them do unto us.
- C. A Christian takes the rough road.

V. Shod your feet with the gospel of peace.

- A. Jesus gives us peace amidst the world's troubles. (John 14:27)
- B. You get peace through the things that Jesus spoke. (John 6:33)

C. Peace is a good weapon in which to battle the Devil.

VI. Take the shield of faith.

A. Believe that God will work never doubting.

B. This is trusting that He will take care of things—you do not have to be anxious.

C. Ask for peace about all things.

Application questions

1. Why is it important to put on the *whole* armor of God? What does this mean?

2. What is peace a weapon against? How does this work?

3. What would it look like if you had more faith in your life? Explain.
