

“PUT ON THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD”
EPHESIANS 6:10-20
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Questions for Study & Reflection

1. Pastor Charlie said that every person who is truly in Christ is, among other things, a Christian warrior. In order to solidify this fact in your heart and mind, read and reflect on 2 Cor 10:3-6, 11:23-31, Eph 6:10-20, 1 Thes 5:1-11, 1 Tim 6:11-16, and 2 Tim 4:6-7. What practical implications do you draw from these texts for your life and the life of the church?
2. Read John 8:44, 10:10, Eph 6:12, and 1 Peter 5:8-9. What do these verses teach you about the power and fierceness and intents of your enemy? How awake are you to his designs in your daily life? Do you tend to underestimate him?
3. Read Deut 3:24, Psalm 145:1-3, and Jer 32:26-27, and contemplate the strength of God, your Supreme Commander. Is it clear to you, at the heart level, that as strong as Satan is God is infinitely stronger?
4. Read Eph 6:10-14 and notice the four occurrences of the word “stand.” What does this tell you about the will of your Father for you in battle?
5. Pastor Charlie said that God himself is the armor we wear. Can you think of Scriptures (or search for them) which teach that God (or Jesus) is truth, righteousness, readiness for the gospel, salvation, and the Word of God?
6. Pastor Charlie said that the way we actually put on the armor of God, day by day, is seeking him with all of our heart and soul and mind and strength. Do you see how seeking God is related to putting on the whole armor of God? Can you explain it someone else?
7. Do you understand, at the heart level, that you are fighting in a war that’s already been one? Do you battle against the enemy with this hope and joy in mind? What can you do to increase your awareness that you fight as a victor in Christ?