

Putting on the Armor of God

Someone may have said, “Clothes make the man.” While we may hasten to express a variant viewpoint, some people will agree that one’s clothing certainly says something about the one so clothed. Such is generally true in life and is especially true in Christianity. If we want to better understand the character of one claiming to be a Christian, then may we observe his clothing, that is, his spiritual clothing. As we put on the new man and enter our new life in Christ (Galatians 3:27), we are admonished unto spiritual strength (Ephesians 6:10) and advised of the means of being spiritually empowered (6:11-20). We must put on the whole armor of God, enabling us to stand against the devil’s craftiness (6:11-13). By so doing, we will be able to stand firm, hold our ground in battle and successfully stand as we wield the sword of the Spirit in an honorable manner (6:14-20). May we personally make the effort to be immersed in the Word of God so that His armor will strengthen us according to our needs as we fight the good fight of faith. If we are ever to wear the armor of God, we must personally put it on; others cannot put it on for us. Yes, blessings await us in Bible study!

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