

ARMOR OF GOD

Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. Eph 6:11-18

Protection from Confusion and Foolishness:
Turn your ear to Wisdom and apply your heart to Understanding. Prov 22 The way of a fool seems right to him, but a wise man listens to advice. Prov 12:15

Protection from Slander and Gossip:
Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs. Eph 4:29 Do everything without complaining or arguing. Col 3:12 The tongue has the power of life and death. Prov 18:21

Protection from Sin:
Above all else, guard your heart, for it is the wellspring of life. Prov 4:23

Protection from the Flesh:
I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. Gal 2:20

Protection from Anger:
In your anger do not sin; Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry. Eph 4:26

Protection from Anger, Pride, and Impatience:
clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Col 3:13

Protection from Pride:
Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall. Prov 16:18

Protection from Laziness:
Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. 1Cor 15:58 We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised. Heb 6:12

Protection from Division:
Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. Eph 4:3

Protection from Fighting & Unforgiveness:
Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you. Eph 4:32

Fruit of the Spirit:
live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature...sexual immorality, impurity, debauchery, idolatry, witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, orgies...But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. Gal 5:18-24

Protection from Deception:
See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ. Col 2:8

Protection from Lust and Fornication:
Avoid sexual immorality; each of you should learn to control his own body in a way that is holy and honorable, not in passionate lust. 1Thes 4:3-5 anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. Mat 5:28

Protection from Perversion:
Turn my eyes away from worthless things; preserve my life according to your word. Psa 119:37 I made a covenant with my eyes not to look lustfully at a girl. Job 31:1 take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. 2Cor 10:5

Protection from Ungodliness:
say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age. 1Thes 2:12

Protection from Greed:
Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; a man's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions. Luke 12:15 Do Not Covet. Exod 20:17

Protection from Revenge:
Love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who persecute you. Mat 5:44 (2 Manuscripts)

Protection from Self-Righteousness:
Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Phi 2:3 Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment. Rom 12:3

Powerful Weapons: The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. Jam 5:16 The word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double edged sword. Heb 4:12 Resist the devil, and he will flee. Come near to God and He will come near to you. Jam 4:7-8

Protection from Depression & Discouragement:
In this world you will have trouble, but don't worry. I have overcome the world. John 16:33 Set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed. 1Pet 1:13 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Rom 12:12 Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength. Neh 8:10 Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. Heb 10:23 Rejoice in the Lord always. Phi 4:4

LOVE: Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud, not rude, not self-seeking, not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails. 1Cor 13:4-8

