FIGHTING THE GOOD FIGHT

2 Timothy 4:7

I have fought a good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.

God's Weapons

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- 2 Corinthians 10:3 We are human, but we don't wage war with human plans and methods.
- 4 We use God's mighty weapons, not mere worldly weapons, to knock down the Devil's strongholds.
- 5 With these weapons we break down every proud argument that keeps people from knowing God. With these weapons we conquer their rebellious ideas, and we teach them to obey Christ.

Ephesians 6:10 A final word: Be strong with the Lord's mighty power.

- 11 Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies and tricks of the Devil.
- 12 For we are not fighting against people made of flesh and blood, but against the evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against those mighty powers of darkness who rule this world, and against wicked spirits in the heavenly realms.
- 13 Use every piece of God's armor to resist the enemy in the time of evil, so that after the battle you will still be standing firm.

	Our Human Plans And Methods Are
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Ephesians 6:14 Stand your ground, putting on the sturdy belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness.

- 15 For shoes, put on the peace that comes from the Good News, so that you will be fully prepared.
- 16 In every battle you will need faith as your shield to stop the fiery arrows aimed at you by Satan.
- 17 Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18 Pray at all times and on every occasion in the power of the Holy Spirit. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all Christians everywhere.

Belt Of	Truth	
	_ Application Of God's Word To Your	Life

John 17:15 I'm not asking you to take them out of the world, but to keep them safe from the evil one.

- 16 They are not part of this world any more than I am.
- 17 Make them pure and holy by teaching them your words of truth.

Titus 1:1 This letter is from Paul, a slave of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ. I have been sent to bring faith to those God has chosen and to teach them to know the truth that shows them how to live godly lives.

- 1 John 2:5 But those who obey God's word really do love him. That is the way to know whether or not we live in him.
- 6 Those who say they live in God should live their lives as Christ did.
- 1 John 3:7 Dear children, don't let anyone deceive you about this: When people do what is right, it is because they are righteous, even as Christ is righteous.
- 8 But when people keep on sinning, it shows they belong to the Devil, who has been sinning since the beginning. But the Son of God came to destroy these works of the Devil.
- 9 Those who have been born into God's family do not sin, because God's life is in them. So they can't keep on sinning, because they have been born of God.
- 10 So now we can tell who are children of God and who are children of the Devil. Anyone who does not obey God's commands and does not love other Christians does not belong to God.

Body Armor Of God's Righteousness
Of Your Heart Because Of God's Righteousness

Romans 3:21 But now God has shown us a different way of being right in his sight - not by obeying the law but by the way promised in the Scriptures long ago. 22 We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done.

23 For all have sinned; all fall short of God's glorious standard.

- 24 Yet now God in his gracious kindness declares us not guilty. He has done this through Christ Jesus, who has freed us by taking away our sins.
- 2 Corinthians 5:21 For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.
- 2 Corinthians 6:7 We have faithfully preached the truth. God's power has been working in us. We have righteousness as our weapon, both to attack and to defend ourselves.

James 5:16 ... The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and wonderful results.

Shoes Of Peace

_____ That Comes From The Good News

Psalm 119:165 Those who love your law have great peace and do not stumble.

John 14:27 "I am leaving you with a gift - peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give isn't like the peace the world gives. So don't be troubled or afraid.

John 16:33 I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world."

Romans 12:16 Live in harmony with each other. Don't try to act important, but enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don't think you know it all!

17 Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable.

18 Do your part to live in peace with everyone, as much as possible.