

“Armored Saint: Belt of Truth”

Ephesians 6:10-18

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All Scripture quoted from NIV unless otherwise noted

A completed outline will not be posted this week. Check back on 9/18. But here are some new Dig In questions:

Takeaways from this message.

“Be strong in the Lord” is given in the PASSIVE voice.

- **It’s less about preparation and more about SUBMISSION.**
- **God never WASTE strength.**

The full armor of God enables me to stand against FORMIDABLE spiritual enemies.

- **Spiritual warfare is both a CURRENT and PRESENT reality.**
- **Any quest for truth is a quest for JESUS.**
- **Spiritual warfare is not just about battles; it is about a growing INFATUATION with the things of this world and a growing DISENCHANTMENT with the things of God.**

Truth is FOUNDATIONAL.

Truth is always TRUE.

Verses on Truth

John 17:17 Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 14:6 Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

DIG IN!

Here are some farm-fresh questions that will help you to personalize and apply this morning's message.

- 1. What was most surprising, unexpected, or helpful from today's passage/message? Why?*
- 2. Why is it appropriate to use the image of a belt to represent truth? What might Paul have wanted us to gather from this image?*
- 3. We are told to be strong in the Lord and put on the full armor of God. What does this say about what you should be preparing for? How so?*
- 4. Is it possible to describe something as 'indescribable?' Why or why not?*
- 5. What 'things of this world' do you need to turn away from? What's stopping you from doing so? How will you change that?*
- 6. When have you wielded truth in a way that attacked others?*
 - NOTE: Oh yes you have. Pray that God would reveal this to you, repent of it, and ask Him to forgive you.*
- 7. What have you learned through your personal time of Bible reading this week?*