# Be Strong in the Lord (v. 10)

- •10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power.
- •Zechariah 4:6: "So he said to me, "This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: 'Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit,' says the Lord Almighty..

# Put on the Full Armor of God (v. 11)

- •11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.
- •Samuel 16:7 "But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."
- •Psalm 97:10a "You who love the Lord, hate evil!....."

# **Spiritual Warfare Exists (v12 and v13)**

- •12 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.
- •13 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.

#### What to we Stand in (or for)

•Stand in	(Romans 5:2)
•Stand in the	(1 Corinthians 15:1)
•Stand in	(1 Corinthians 16:13 "Be on
guard. Stand fir	m in the faith. Be courageous. Be strong").
•Stand in	_ (1 Corinthians 1:24 "for it is by your own faith tha
you stand firm")	).
•Stand in	(Galatians 5:1)
•Stand in the	(Philippians 1:27)
•Stand in the	(Philippians 4:1 "Therefore, my dear brothers
and sisters, stay	true to the Lord")
•Stand in	(1 John 4:8: "But anyone who does not love does not
know God, for G	fod is love").
•Stand in the	(Ephesians 5:17 "Therefore do not be
foolish, but und	erstand what the Lord's will is").



# **The Armor Pieces (vv. 14-17)**The Belt of Truth

of fies" – John 8:44 "He was a murderer from
as always hated the truth, because there is no
ne lies, it is consistent with his character; for h
er of lies."
rything together!
define truth, not your feelings or culture.
<u>Breastplate of Righteousness</u>
against the seat of our emotions, decisions
usness but righteousness that
Shoes of the Gospel of Peace
in spiritual warfare. Even in spiritua

the Kingdom of God.

war, we can stand firm when we walk in God's peace.

•We're not just defending — We're

•It's happening NOW!

# **Shield of Faith** of our faith! •Christ is the Hebrews 12:2a: "We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, the champion who initiates and perfects our faith. ....") •Faith extinguishes the "fiery darts" •Faith says, "God is still good. In fact, God is good all the time." **Helmet of Salvation** •Protects our\_\_\_\_\_ — the battlefield of thoughts. •We must guard our \_\_\_\_\_ •Salvation gives us \_\_\_\_\_ and\_\_\_ . We are secure in Christ. Sword of the Spirit (God's Word) •LEARN it! •MEMORIZE it! •SPEAK it! •DECLARE it! •LIVE it! Prayer: The Power Behind the Armor (vv.18-20) "18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. 19 Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should. Stand Firm! •Stand on •Guard Your •Walk in\_\_\_\_\_ •Deflect\_\_\_\_

•Seek

•Know God's \_\_\_\_\_

•Pray in the



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### How to Walk Daily in the Spirit

- 1. Start Each Day with Surrender
- 2. Read and Meditate on Scripture
- 3. Prayer and Thankfulness
- 4. Obey and Trust the Holy Spirit
- 5. Repent Regularly
- 6. Cultivate the Fruits of the Spirit
- 7. Use your Spiritual Gifts
- 8. Worship and be in Christian Community
- 9. Be Aware of Spiritual Warfare

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