

**“The Real War on Terror, part 2:
A Call to Arms”**

Ephesians 6:14-17a

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*“¹⁴Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins [‘waist’ NIV; NKJ] with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; ¹⁶in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷And take the helmet of salvation”
(NASB)*

In Ephesians 6:10-17, four times Paul exhorts Christians to “stand firm” against the devil. In this passage he tells us the key to success is being a complete and well balanced Christian by wearing all the armor of God that He has made available to every Christian. In the spiritual war on terror, every piece of armor counts. Neglecting a piece leaves us vulnerable. Today we examine God’s ordained spiritual armor with which we defend ourselves against spiritual attacks from Satan.

1. Christian, prepare yourself for Satan’s attacks by wearing the belt of **truth**.
2. Christian, hold steady against Satan by wearing the breastplate of righteousness.

3. Christian, stand firm against Satan as you are prepared with the gospel of **peace**.

5. Christian, have courage against Satan as you take the helmet of **salvation**.

4. Christian, have no fear of Satan as you hide behind the shield of **faith**.