

Discussion Guide Custom Fit Wk 3

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Secure In My Style

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Main Idea

We have access to something that we often overlook. It is an awareness of an armor that God makes available to us. Not a physical armor, but a spiritual armor. Paul uses a symbol of oppression, to breathe the hope of liberation.

Ephesians 6:14-17 (NIV)

14 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. 16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

The Armor of God Changes You

As we pray for protection for the protection of His armor, He changes you to see His truth, embrace His righteousness, rest in His peace, walk in faith, receive His salvation, and be guided by His Word. How has the armor of God changed you in tangible ways?

Read: 1 Samuel 17:32-40, Colossians 2:8

The Armor of God is Not Just A Tradition

When we place everything in God's hands, he gives us custom fit answers and faith. David didn't rely on the King's physical armor because it didn't fit. He relied on the custom fit armor of God are was armed with peace and faith.

How is God's peace giving you traction and helping you to be unmovable?

Read: Romans 12:2, Isaiah 26:3, 2 Corinthians 5:7, 1 Corinthians 2:5

The Armor of God Gives Us Confidence

David had confidence to face Goliath because of his faith that God would protect Him and use him to bring about victory. When we find traction in Jesus, then we are ready to move forward in faith - to face our giants.

What Goliath like giants are you facing right now? What are you doing to gain traction in your faith?

SUMMARY

There is an armor custom fit just for you and it includes the peace of God and a growing faith that stops the enemy dead in his tracks. There is provision, a future, and blessing just for you - all found in a relationship with Jesus. That relationship grows with each conversation and prayer as we arm ourselves with his peace and a faith that comes from knowing Him.

CALL TO ACTION

- Check out some studies on the armor of God on RightNow Media. If you do not yet have a membership, join for free <u>HERE</u>. https://app.rightnowmedia.org/join/hopecitytx
- Today is Connect Group Launch! We were created for community and this is a great time for you to jump in! Click <u>HERE</u> to see all of the options available.
- 3. We look forward to seeing everyone at our Worship night as we close out our 21 days of prayer and fasting. Join us Saturday, August 26, 6PM, at the West Houston campus.

GROUP LEADER RESOURCE

Game: Virtual Time Capsule

This is a great conversation starter for new and long standing groups.

Each group thinks of twenty things they'd want to put in a time capsule that describes life today. Would what you put inside be considered antique five, ten years in the future? There's only one way to know for sure.