## DEMONOLOGY





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#### Preview of Angelology

- 1. Good angels
- 2. Satanology
- 3. <u>Demonology</u>

4. Gen. 6:1-4 controversy



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  - Divine restraint (Job 1:10, 12; 2:6; 2 Thess 2:6; 1 John 5:18)
  - Divine intercession (John 17:15; Rom 8:34; Heb 7:25)

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# Ephesians



## **Dressed for Success!**

8 Observations About the Armor (Eph 6:14-17)

- 1. Paul's imprisonment (Eph 3:1; 6:20; Philip 1:13)
- 2. Soldier metaphor
- **3**. Six pieces of armor described
- 4. Significance of the armor in the ancient world



#### 8 Observations About the Armor (Eph 6:14-17)

- 5. Paul is reinforcing prior concepts in Ephesians
- 6. Pieces mentioned in the order they are put on
- 7. Command: to put on the armor
- 8. Outline: description, represents, application



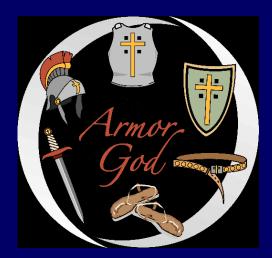
- Six aspects of our weaponry will <u>summarize</u> the key concepts of the letter and <u>call the church to action.</u>

#### EPHESIANS: WHAT IS INSIDE?

| 1–3          | 4–6            |
|--------------|----------------|
| Relationship | Responsibility |
| Doctrine     | Deed           |
| Orthodoxy    | Orthopraxy     |
| Knowledge    | Wisdom         |
| Belief       | Behavior       |
| Position     | Practice       |
| Privileges   | Responsibility |

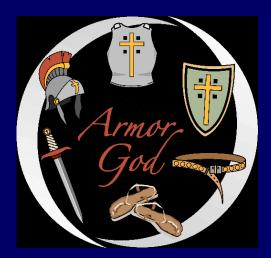
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## Belt of Truth (Eph 6:14a)

#### Represent

"Truth" [alēthia] used 6 times

- Gospel (1:13; 4:21)





- Doctrinal orthodoxy/stability (4:15)
- Moral purity (4:24-25; 5:9)

## Belt of Truth (Eph 6:14a)

#### Definition

 Foundation of our defense is standing firm in the truth of God's Word as well as our personal integrity





## Belt of Truth (Eph 6:14a)

- Application
  - Objective: Stand in the truth of God's Word
  - Subjective: Personal integrity





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#### Description



#### Represent

 "Righteousness [dikaiosynē] used 2 times



- 4:24; 5:9
- Practical righteousness

#### Definition

 Our underlying protection includes our righteous character and deeds stemming from our positional righteousness



#### Application

Live consistently with our position

 When we engage in a sinful or impure lifestyle, we are vulnerable and can take an arrow through the chest



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- Represent
  - "Peace" [eirēnē] used 7 times
    - Positional peace (1:2; 6:23)
    - Racial harmony (2:14, 15, 17)
    - Unity (4:3)





#### Definition

 Because we are at peace with God, we should pursue peace and unity within the church





#### Application

 When we pursue unity in the church, we are putting on the sandals of peace





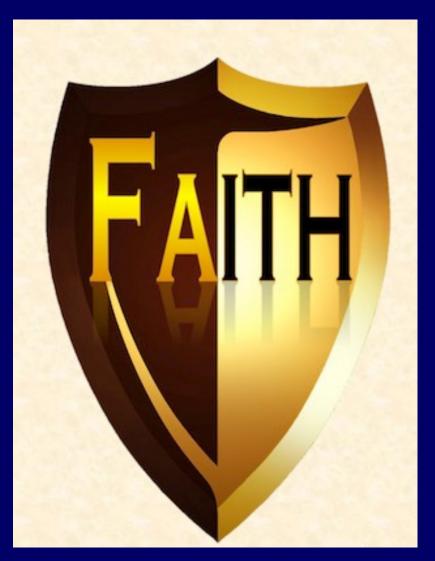


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Represent

"Faith" [pistis, pisteuō] used 9 times

- Noun (1:15; 2:8; 3:12, 17; 4:5, 13;
  6:23)
- Verb (1:13, 19)
- Content of what Christians believe

#### Definition

 Our confident trust in God's ways in order to withstand Satan's attacks





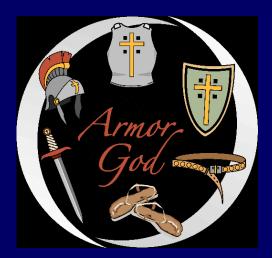
- Application
  - Flaming arrows in the ancient world
  - Examples of Satan's flaming arrows
  - Our trust in God's ways extinguishes them all
  - Unbelieving believer





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Represent

"Salvation" [sōtēria, sōtērion] used 1 time

- Eph 1:13
- Full ramification of salvation



| Three Tenses of Salvation |                         |                |               |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| Phase                     | Justification           | Sanctification | Glorification |
| Tense                     | Past                    | Present        | Future        |
| Saved from sin's:         | Penalty                 | Power          | Presence      |
| Scripture                 | Eph 2:8-9;<br>Titus 3:5 | Philip 2:12    | Rom 5:10      |

### Definition

 Maintaining confidence of our past, present, and future deliverance in the mist of battle



### Application

 Confidence in the full ramifications of our salvation no matter what Satan throws at us that causes our assurance to wane

John 10:28-29; Rom 8:35;
 Philip 1:6; 1 Pet 1:4-5

# John 10:27-29

"<sup>27</sup> My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me; <sup>28</sup> and I give eternal life to them, and they will <u>never perish</u> [*ou mē*; *aiōnia*]; and no one will snatch them out of My hand. <sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and <u>no one is able to snatch</u> *them* out of the Father's hand."

## Romans 8:29–30

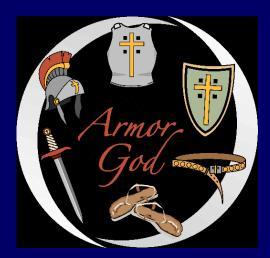
<sup>29</sup> For those whom He foreknew, He also **predestined** to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; <sup>30</sup> and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also **glorified**.

# 1 Peter 1:4–5

"<sup>4</sup> to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who <u>are protected by the</u> <u>power of God</u> through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time."

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 Communication by the Spirit through the Word [*rhēma*] of God



- 2 Pet 1:21
  - Eph 1:8-9, 13, 17-18; 2:18;
    3:5-6, 16

# John 17:17, 20-23

"<sup>17</sup> Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth...<sup>20</sup> I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. <sup>22</sup> The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; <sup>23</sup> I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me."

# 2 Timothy 3:16-17

"All Scripture is **inspired by God [theopneustos]** and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work."



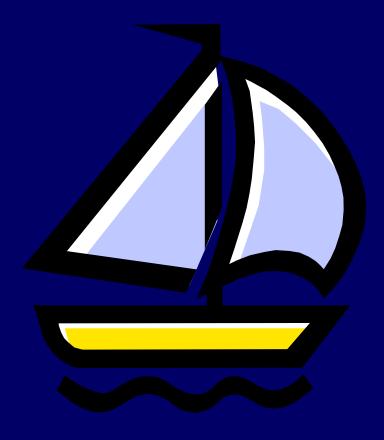
## 2 Peter 1:20-21

"<sup>20</sup> But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is *a matter* of one's own interpretation, <sup>21</sup> for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men **moved (***pherō***)** by the Holy Spirit spoke from God."



#### **INSPIRATION OF SCRIPTURE** 2 Peter 1:20-21

- Men Wrote as they were inspired by Holy Spirit "phero" = to carry Acts 27:15,17
- Opposite of Knowledge of False Teachers
  - Which is their own imagination
     Jer. 23:16



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- 2 Pet 1:21
  - Eph 1:8-9, 13, 17-18; 2:18;
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### Definition

 Specific skillful speaking and application of God's written revelation in order to overcome Satan's schemes



### Application

Positive example – Christ (Matt 4:1-11)

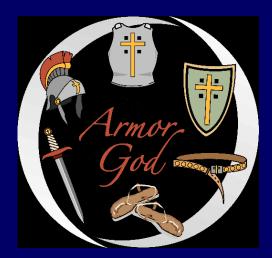
◆ Negative example – Eve (Gen 2:16-17; 3:2-3)



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