

**THE CHRISTIAN'S ARMOR**

**EPHESIANS 6:14-18**

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**LESSON 1**

**Great battle**

**Cannot win on our strength – rely on God**

**Must use armor**

**Every piece**

**LESSON 2**

**Belt of truth**

**Held armor in place**

**Provided strength**

**Held flowing garments in place**

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**BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS**

**BREASTPLATE**

**Bronze plate lined with leather from neck  
down to the navel**

**Protected vital organs, especially heart from  
swords, arrows and spears**

**Wounds to this area were often fatal**

**BREASTPLATE IS RIGHTEOUSNESS**

**Moral and spiritual uprightness as seen in  
character of God**

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**ROMANS 3:10**

As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one;

**I CORINTHIANS 1:30**

It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God--that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

**GET INTO CHRIST AND STAY IN CHRIST  
PARTAKE OF HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS**

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**BEING IN CHRIST PROTECTS AGAINST TWO OF  
SATAN'S GREATEST WEAPONS**

**SELF RIGHTEOUS LIKE PHARISEES**

**LUKE 18:10-1**

"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men--robbers, evildoers, adulterers--or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

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**DESPAIR**

**MUST BE GOOD ENOUGH EARN SALVATION  
THEN EASY GIVE UP**

**GOD WILL NEVER ACCEPT ME – I AM A  
ROTTEN SINNER**

**YES I AM**

**GOD WILL ACCEPT CHRIST – I AM IN CHRIST**

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**ROMANS 8:1-2**

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

**ROMANS 8:31-34**

What, then, shall we say in response to this? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all--how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died--more than that, who was raised to life--is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

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