



MESSAGE NOTES

Be Strong in The Lord

Ephesians 6:10-20

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1. Put on The Armor of God

What is our struggle? We aren't fighting people.

Ephesians 6:10-13 “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. **11** Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. **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.

2. Truth is your Firm Foundation

Without truth we don't have a firm place to stand.

Ephesians 6:14-17 “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.”

3. Pray and be Alert

Praying is a constant open line of communication with God the Father.

Ephesians 6:18-20 “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.”

Conclusion : Being strong in the Lord is being alert and aware of how God is with us. This awareness helps us not to leave God out of our life but to welcome God into every situation, every conversation. Starting with Truth we will be able to stand firm.