

LIVING LETTERS
A CHAPTER BY CHAPTER STUDY OF EPHESIANS
CHAPTER 6:10 -24
STAND YOUR GROUND
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Ephesians 6:10 NASB [10] Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might.

- What or who is the (**source**) of your strength?

Ephesians 6:11 NKJV[11] Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

- The first thing you need to do in order to stand is to (**put on**) God's armor.
- The first rule of war is: (**Know your enemy**).
- (**devil: Greek *diabolos* - a traducer {someone who speaks badly or tells lies about someone so as to damage their reputation} ; specifically *Satan*: - false accuser, devil, slanderer.**)
- (**wiles - cunning arts, deceit, craft, trickery**).
- 1 Thessalonians 2:17-18 ESV [17] But since we were torn away from you, brothers, for a short time, in person not in heart, we endeavored the more eagerly and with great desire to see you face to face, [18] because we wanted to come to you-I, Paul, again and again-but Satan hindered us.

Ephesians 6:12 NKJV[12] For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

- There are 4 classes of demonic spirits:
 - (**principalities**).
 - (**powers**)
 - (**rulers of the darkness of this age**)
 - (**spiritual *host* of wickedness in the heavenly places**)

Ephesians 6:13 NASB [13] Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

The Tools You Need to Stand Your Ground Against the Enemy:

Ephesians 6:14 NLT[14] Stand your ground, putting on the belt of truth and the body armor of God's righteousness.

- The (**belt**) of truth.
- The (**body armor**) of righteousness.

Ephesians 6:15 ESV[15] and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace.

- The (**shoes**) of peace.
- Romans 16:20 ESV [20] The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Ephesians 6:16 NLT [16] In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil.

- The (**shield**) of faith.

Ephesians 6:17 NLT [17] Put on salvation as your helmet, and take the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

- The (**helmet**) of salvation.
- The (**sword**) of the spirit.

Ephesians 6:18-20 NLT [18] Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere. [19] And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words so I can boldly explain God's mysterious plan that the Good News is for Jews and Gentiles alike. [20] I am in chains now, still preaching this message as God's ambassador. So pray that I will keep on speaking boldly for him, as I should.

- Prayer is (**every member's**) responsibility!

Ephesians 6:21-22 NLT [21] To bring you up to date, Tychicus will give you a full report about what I am doing and how I am getting along. He is a beloved brother and faithful helper in the Lord's work. [22] I have sent him to you for this very purpose-to let you know how we are doing and to encourage you.

Ephesians 6:23-24 NIV [23] Peace to the brothers and sisters, and love with faith from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. [24] Grace to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ with an undying love.

- Never forget the (**power**) of your words.