

Victory Connect Lesson
The Unseen War Against Your Family
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Introduction: God has a divine plan for your family. We can lose track of that target when we see people as our problem. God equips us with spiritual weapons so we can be strong in the Lord and defeat our spiritual foe.

Put on the Whole Armor of God to be Strong in the Lord:

1. Belt of truth. [Don't relax by taking off the belt of truth] Jhn 17:17 KJV "...thy word is truth."

2. Breastplate of righteousness. Rom 5:18 KJV ...by the righteousness of one [the **free gift** came] upon all men...

3. Feet shod with the gospel of peace. Isa 26:3 KJV Thou wilt keep [him] in perfect peace, [whose] mind [is] stayed [on thee]: because he trusteth in thee.

4. Shield of faith. Eph 6:16 NLT In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil.

5. Helmet of Salvation. 1Th 5:8 NLT But let us who live in the light be...protected by the armor...and wearing as our helmet the confidence [*hope*] of our salvation.

6. Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. Heb 4:12 NLT For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword...

7. Praying always with all prayer. Eph 6:18 NLT Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion...

Three Key Take Aways: 1. People are not your problem.
2. You must put on your armor (some action is required).
3. Don't spend all your energy on battles you can see.

Discussion Questions:

1. Have you seen people as your problem in the past?
2. Is there a battle around you that you do not see?
3. What does it mean to be strong in the Lord?

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