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**Taking up the Shield.** The Roman soldier's shield was four feet long and two and a half feet wide. It was held on the left arm and could be used to protect the entire body. The rain of the enemies' arrows could not penetrate the shields. In the conflicts that we face in this life, we are to take up the shield of faith (Romans 10:17; Hebrews 11:1, 6). Faith helps us to ward off the darts of Satan. Those fiery darts are extinguished upon this shield.

**Take the Helmet.** The Roman soldier's helmet was made of thick leather or brass. Our helmets are better. They are salvation. Salvation gives us joy and confidence (Colossians 1:12-14). While the Roman soldier's helmets could guard against swords, clubs, and axes. Our helmets protect our heads from anything Satan and his ministers hurl at us.

**Take the Sword of the Spirit.** While all of the other pieces of the armor are defensive instruments. This is the one instrument that provides us the ability to go on offense and defense. This Sword is that which the Holy Spirit has delivered unto mankind and that is the Bible (Hebrews 4:12).

Let us wear the whole armor of God, exercise ourselves in all prayer and supplication for help from God. We must be constantly watching in all perseverance and supplication for all the Saints. We are in war with the powers of darkness. Let us pray and fight for each other. Let us have the courage to always utter God's word with boldness and fight the good fight of faith!

### PLAN OF SALVATION

Hear (Romans 10:17) Believe (Mark 16:16) Repent (Acts 17:30) Confess (Matthew 10:32) Be Baptized (Acts 2:38) Remain faithful (Revelation 2:10)



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"Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire (Jude 7)."

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Harris Haley Titus Ward Brayton Harris Louis Wiseman Please remember to pray for the sick. James 5:17 says, "Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months."

# BIBLE SCHOOL CORNER

## <u> A New Year</u>

The Bible Classes have begun for the new year. Two Wednesdays have passed since the beginning of the new year and one Sunday has passed since 2020 began! We hope you are in our Bible classes! Be here!

# NEWS

- Let us praise our God. Praise Him! Praise Him!
- Sympathy is extended to the family of Leann Duke, a member of the West End church of Christ in Livingston and one who has been on our Sick List. Sister Duke is the wife of Kerry Duke, preacher for that congregation and who was our guest speaker in the Bible Lectureship held here in 2018. Sister Duke passed away last Monday, January 6. Her funeral was held yesterday. She is a great woman of God, known for being very giving in so many ways, and a great Teacher of ladies and the youth, along with being a great Ladies Day speaker. We will miss her. Please pray for comfort for her family.
- We thank the men who prepared the delicious food for the New Year's Breakfast yesterday. We also appreciate all of the women for whom the men showed appreciation by offering this meal. We had a large number present with us, and we are very grateful for each one who came.
- If you are on Facebook, visit the church Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ campaignchurchofchristcampaigntn
- Help us to restock our pantry. This week's suggested pantry item is boxed Jello pudding. All pantry items are accepted.
- Please pray for the rulers of this world that peace will prevail and that the Gospel will have free reign to spread!

# "THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD" BY: JASON GANN

We live in a world where evil men are growing worse and worse (II Timothy 3:13). Who cannot see that happening? Only those with their "heads in the sand," I suggest to you. Friends, amidst that backdrop, souls are still being saved (Acts 16:30-31) and the church remains the pillar and ground of the Truth (I Timothy 3:15). The mission of the church remains just what it was almost 2,000 years ago, and that is to make known the wisdom of God (Ephesians 3:10). The Greatest Book of all, the Holy Bible, still tells us that in the end of our lives that we will be preserved unto heavenly Kingdom through faithfulness in the Kingdom of God on the earth, the church (Colossians 1:13, Revelation 1:9, I Corinthians 15:24, II Timothy 4:18). In the meanwhile, we must be ever guard and show how that the Love of Christ is greater than anything the Devil can throw at us. Let's show the Devil that he will not win in our lives for the gates of hell cannot prevail against the church of Christ (Matthew 16:18)!

In doing so, let's take in the words of in Ephesians Chapter 6 and put on the whole armor of God. In doing so, we can be strong and stand against the wiles of the devil. "Wiles" are acts of cunning deception. The Devil, you see, is a roaring lion (I Peter 5:8, Ephesians 2:1-2, and Job 1:7). He does not meet the Christian face to face (II Corinthians 4:4). We must stand against Satan! We must wrestle against the principalities, powers, rulers of the darkness of this world, and against spiritual wickedness in high places. We have to be prepared for the combat that we daily face. The way we prepare is through the meditation upon and application of Scripture in our lives (II Timothy 3:16-17). In applying God's Word, we will have on and keep on the whole armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-19). There are six elements to that armor. They are below.

**Girting of the Loins**. As the belt was an essential element to the Roman soldier's equipment, so it is important that we have our loins girt about with Truth. God's Word is Truth (John 17:17). Truth must exemplify all of our thoughts, words, and actions (Romans 15:8).

**Breastplate.** The breastplate offers protection to the chest and the vitals organs here. God has given unto us the breastplate of righteousness to wear. This offers protection from the darts of Satan. Righteousness is proclaimed by God unto us through our submission to His will (Romans 8:1-11).

**Feet Shod.** As Christian soldiers, we must stand. This means our footwear must be appropriate. The footwear is the preparation of the Gospel of peace. The Roman soldiers had firm sandals to do combat, bound at the feet and ankles. Likewise, our footwear is firm and sure. We must be prepared for the battle by having the peace of God in our lives (Romans 5:1, Philippians 4:7, II Timothy 1:12).

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