

Adult Lesson – May 6, 2020

Armor of God – Introduction

Main Point

• Satan hates God and wants us to hate God too, so he tries to get us to turn against God by getting us to sin. God loves us and gives us the tools (the armor of God) we need to fight against Satan and win against sin.

Scripture

- Find these passages in your Bible and read them or have someone read it with you
 - Ephesians 6:11-17
 - Psalm 121

Prayer Time

- One person at each table should ask for prayer requests and write them in the Spend a couple of minutes in prayer; pray for...
 - Friends
 - Family
 - Those who are sick
 - For our Special Needs Ministry Community
 - For our church
 - Anything else
- Remember to thank God for His love and how He listens to us, as well as any answers to prayer

Praise and Worship

• See a Victory – Elevation Worship

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YNd-PbVhnvA

• How Great is Our God – Chris Tomlin

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBD18rsVJHk

• Text, email, or Facebook message me with me a picture/video of you worshipping God

Memory Verse

• Ephesians 6:11 "Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil."

• Email Pastor Corinne to set up a call to be able to recite the Bible verse for a virtual prize!

Review of Last Week

- Last week, we learned about the joy of living for Jesus and how we can do that to tell others about the Good News about Jesus
- Also, what was one thing that you were going to say about Jesus, to someone who didn't know Jesus?

Lesson

- Thinking about a movie like the Incredibles (or any other movies with a clear hero and a villain). Who was the good guy? Who was the bad guy? (Define that a good guy is the hero and the bad guy is the enemy.)
- Did you know that we have an enemy in real life? In real life, our enemy is Satan.
- If our enemy is Satan, who is our hero? Our hero is God, Jesus. Satan hates God and is always fighting him and trying to ruin things, just like the bad guys in movies
- God and Satan are at war. Do you know what they are fighting for? They are fighting for us! Satan hates God and wants us to hate God too.
- Satan tries to get us to turn away from God by tempting us to sin. But God doesn't want that! He loves us and wants us to be with Him. If we love God and want to be with Him too, then we are in a fight, too against sin because sin takes us away from God.
- Does it sound scary to be in a war?
- But we don't have to worry, because God is on our side and He is fighting for us!
- Read Psalm 121
- All we have to do is trust that God is in control and that he is our hero. When we turn to Jesus and ask for forgiveness from the things that we have done wrong, we can begin to win against sin.
- Say this out loud: "With Jesus, I can win against sin!"
- Since God is our Protector, He has given us something very special to protect us. The Bible tells us to **put on the armor of God**.
- (Show picture of a Roman centurion in an armor).
- Why do they wear all that armor? it keeps them from getting hurt when they are attacked by their enemies
- The armor of God will protect us when we are tempted to sin
- Read Ephesians 6:11

- On the picture below, see how many pieces of the armor you can remember and draw & label.
- AND/OR With the tune of "Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes" with these words to memorize all 6 pieces of the armor of God:
 - Belt, breastplate, shoes and shield, Helmet and sword, Belt, breastplate, shoes and shield, Helmet and sword, This is the armor of our Lord, Belt, breastplate, shoes and shield, Helmet and sword.

Application

- Why do we need spiritual armor? (To stand against the evil of the devil)
- What is it we fight against? (Against the devil and the evil he has around him)
- Should we be afraid of this battle? (No, God will help us stand against evil. The powers of darkness will be defeated by God)
- How does God help us in the battle against evil? (He gives us the weapons and armor we need to stand strong)
- Why is it important that we that we put on our spiritual armor every day? (Without it we will be weak and easily defeated)
- How can we use each piece of spiritual armor at home? At school? At work? At church?

Growing from God's Story

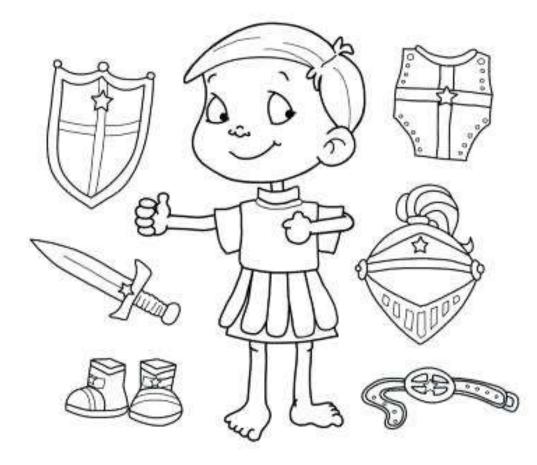
• This week, review the Bible verse once a day to help protect us.

Ephesians 6:11 "Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil."

Additional Learning

• Below is a word search puzzle and a colouring page. Enjoy as you reflect on what you just read about the armor of God and how it can protect us!

Match the armor pieces to the correct places on the boy's body.



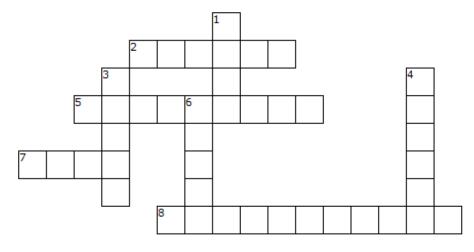
"Put on the whole armor of God, so that you can stand strong against the devil's plans."

The Armor of God

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. Ephesians 6:13

Based on Ephesians 6:13-17





ACROSS

- 2. A piece of metal carried to protect the front of the body
- 5. To deliver from the penalty of sin
- 7. A flexible band of leather or cloth, worn around the waist
- A piece of armor that covers the breast

DOWN

- 1. The body parts at the end of the legs
- 3. Trust or confidence in God
- A hard hat that covers and protects the head
- A covering of metal, wood, or leather, worn to protect the body against weapons

FAITH	HELMET	BREASTPLATE	ARMOR
SHIELD	BELT	SALVATION	FEET

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