

## **The Armor of God**

(Ephesians 6:13-17)

A prayer to start your day...

Heavenly Father, righteous King and Savior. I come to you with a heart of thanks and praise, for all you have done and continue to do in my life Lord. Father, I put on the full armor of God that you have made mine through your precious Son Jesus Christ. I place this armor on myself and on those for whom you have given me responsibility (list the names of your family member's ie children, spouse, etc).

Father, first I put on the belt of truth, to protect us from all of the lies and errors told to us, about us, or by us to ourselves. Father, I ask that you guide my tongue so that I may only speak truth as it is supported by Your Word.

I put on the breastplate of righteousness, so that it may protect our hearts from sinful and evil desires Lord. I know as it is true in the Word that as I stand firm in my faith wearing this breastplate of righteousness that when You cast Your eyes on me Father God, You see in me Your own Son Jesus Christ, and so I ask that You help us to reflect Him in our day today. I ask that You grant us new hearts as You promise in Your word, hearts of flesh upon which You write Your will. Give us new holy desires and devotions Lord God.

I place on my head the helmet of salvation to protect our minds from twisted knowledge, wrong thinking, and unbelieving imaginations. I will focus my thoughts only on what is pure and true and good Father so that my thoughts will become actions and my actions will reflect the love and works of Jesus Christ, our Savior and King.

I shod my feet with the gospel of peace, that we might live Your Word and spread Your Word wherever we go in whatever we do. We know that we stand in a firm foundation of faith, and whatever ground we walk on, no matter how unstable, we are strong in the peace of the Lord.

I take up the shield of faith, activated by my measure of faith and with it extinguish every flaming dart of the evil one; darts of temptation, depression, failure, ruin, bitterness, confusion, or any other attempt that the enemy tries to through at me. My shield covers us from head to toe, side to side.

I thank You Father God for this divine protection You offer to us, and I know it will serve us well throughout the day today. I am now prepared to raise my sword of the Spirit, the word of God in prayer, to actively assault the enemy who seeks to steal Your salvation. Thank You Father for preparing me for my day. In Jesus Holy Name I give thanks and praise, Amen.