

Ephesians 6:14-17 For the week of April 28, 2024

Reading the Text:

- 1. What was the big idea for the previous text in 6:10-13?
- 2. This paragraph (vv. 10-20) is about how we must rely on God in order to stand. In what way do these verses encourage the need for God and His power?
- 3. This passage is full of "battle-ready" imagery. How do you reconcile the "gospel of peace" preparing us for the fights ahead, while simultaneously suiting up for war? What does this fight look like?
- 4. What does Paul mean when he says "*the flaming darts of the evil one*" (v. 16)? How does the "*shield of faith*" protect and extinguish those attacks?
- 5. Does Paul give any practical instruction in regards to how we are to put on this armor? How or where do you think he would encourage us to start in our journey of "suiting up"?
- 6. How would you state the big idea of Ephesians 6:14-17 in your own words?

Living It Out:

- 1. As you read this text, where does it impact you, personally? Why?
- 2. How does putting on the whole armor of God help in your daily battles? What does this tell us about the kinds of attacks we may face each day as those who trust Jesus?
- 3. In what context do you find it most difficult to stand unwaveringly right now? In what ways does the provision of God's strength and armor prepare and motivate you for battle?
- 4. What role can this Life Group play in encouraging one another as we all increase our awareness of the war we are in? How can a "Biblically Saturated" community encourage you?

