

Image and Purpose Pt 4, Victor or Victim Notes Page

1 - Fear, Hesitation, and Doubt

2 - The Armor of God

A - **Ephesians 6:13-17** ¹³ *Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.* ¹⁴ *Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness,* ¹⁵ *and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;* ¹⁶ *in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.* ¹⁷ *And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.* (NASB)

The Belt of Truth: We can never walk in Victory without also walking in truth...

The Breastplate of Righteousness: How can any Christian claim the Victory found in Christ without pursuing righteous living?

Feet, Shod with the Gospel of Peace: If we truly believe the Gospel, how could we not share it...?

The Helmet of Salvation: In Battle the helmet protected you, and identified who you fight for...

B - These represent four areas of our life that we either develop or not

John 8:31-32 ³¹ *Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings.* ³² *And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."* (NLT)

1 John 3:7 *Little children, make sure no one deceives you; the one who practices righteousness is righteous, just as He is righteous.* (NASB)

Mark 16:15 *And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation."* (NASB)

Matthew 10:32 ³² *"Therefore everyone who confesses Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven.* ³³ *But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven* (NASB)

C - The shield and sword, are the only two elements we do not wear... _____

The Shield of Faith: The life of a believer will never find victory, without strong faith... _____

The Sword of the Spirit / The Word of God: *Victory is only found through conflict, and as believers we are garnered to find conflict.* _____

Hebrews 4:12 *For the word of God is living and active and **sharper** than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart.* (NASB) _____

D - Knowing where the Battle Begins...

Ephesians 6:10-13 ¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. (NASB) _____

Romans 12:2 *Do not be conformed to the world, but be transformed by the renewing of your **mind**...*

Philippians 4:8 *Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, **think** about these things*

Isaiah 26:3 *The steadfast of **mind** You will keep in perfect peace, because he trusts in You.*

2 Corinthians 10:5 *...and we are taking every **thought** captive to the obedience of Christ...*

Mark 12:30 *and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your **mind**, and with all your strength.*