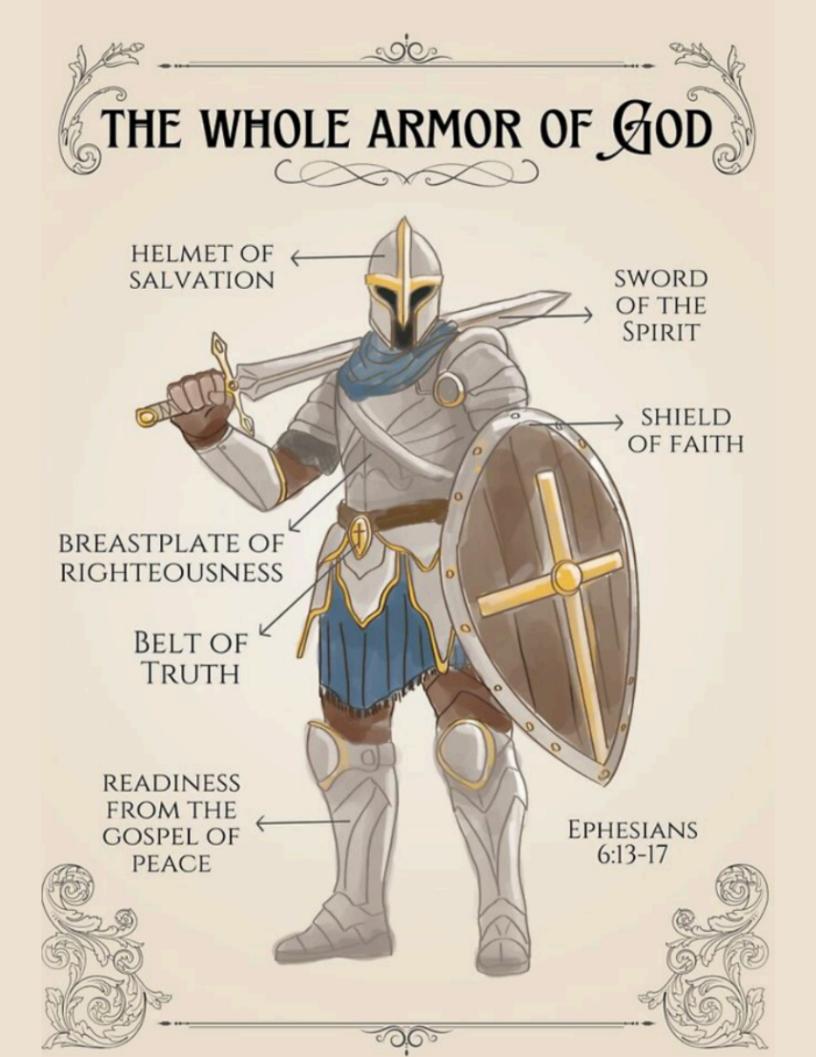
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<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. <sup>11</sup> Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. <sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the

rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up

the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. 14 Stand therefore, having fastened on <u>the belt of</u>

truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. 16 In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; 17 and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, 18 praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, 19 and also for me, that words may be given

to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, 20 for which 1 am an ambassador in chains, that 1 may declare it boldly, as 1 ought to speak. 7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

2 Corinthians 5:7



The shield of faith is used to quench the fiery darts of the evil one, protecting believers from doubt and fear.

## **REFLECT**:

Shields may not be popular as armor but a great defense can be a great offense. The shield can be used to hide behind, or to push forward, to guard yourself, or

to protect someone else. The shield is an active piece of armor. It is thus fitting that Paul gives that image to faith. The shield of faith protects believers from doubts, temptations, and other spiritual attacks by keeping faith in God strong. It involves relying on God's grace, strength, and guidance, rather than one's own abilities or resources despite difficult situations.

"My faith will quench, as nothing else will, these sudden impulses of fiery desires, because my faith brings me into the conscious presence of God, and of the unseen realities where He dwells."

- Alexander Maclaren

Faith is not just a feeling or intuition but basing our belief on the object of faith which is Jesus in all circumstances as we believe for greater things.

## Pray:

Almighty God and Father,

Today, I lift up the shield of faith. Not in my own strength, but in the power of Your promises. Strengthen my faith daily, Lord. Help me believe even when the way is unclear. Let every fiery dart be extinguished by the unshakable truth that You are with me, and for me.

In Jesus' mighty name, Amen.

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