

Dressed to Kill

The Most Important Weapon

Ephesians 6:13-14

Let me ask you a question this morning. How many of the guys here this morning noticed what kind of belt I was wearing this morning? No one did. If you noticed anything about what I have on I'm sure it was my shirt or pants or even my shoes. But no one pays attention to what kind of belt someone else is wearing. Speaking from a guy's point of view of course.

Did you know that the belt, or loin belt the Bible calls it, is the most vital part of all the weaponry the Roman soldier wore? Think about it. The shield was attached to the loin belt. There would be no place to hang his sword. His breast plate was also strapped down by the loin belt. The loin belt held it all together.

The Soldier's armor would have literally fallen apart piece by piece if the loin belt wasn't in its proper place.

A Visible Piece of Armor

- If you think about it, almost all of your spiritual armor is invisible.
 - The Breastplate of righteousness.
 - The Shoes of peace.
 - The Shield of Faith.
 - The Helmet of Salvation.
 - The Sword of the Spirit

These are all invisible. But you can see one spiritual weapon, the Belt of Truth or AKA, the Bible.

- It's the only weapon that has taken on a physical, natural form and is now tangibly in our hands. It is the most important weapon that we have.

- God is saying to us, that the piece of armor that is in the middle of the man is the most important weapon available to us. If you take off that weapon then we will fall apart.
- So, if we fail to put the Word of God at the center of our lives then we will quit literally fall apart at the seams!!

- **The Difference Between Logos And Rhema**

- It is important to point out that there are two kinds of words from God. There is Logos, which is the written Word and there is Rhema, which is a fresh word usually spoken by someone else to you from God.
- The reason that I bring it up is because we can get so caught up in seeking after a fresh word that we forget that we have the written Word that holds all things together.
- When all else fails the written Word is always just an arm length away.
- If we lay aside our Bibles, in time we will lose our sense of righteousness, or sense of peace, the joy of your salvation will began to go away and we will begin to lose our ability to believe God and to walk in faith.
- If you remove the Word of God it will only be a matter of time before we begin to fall to pieces spiritually. Demonic assaults will break through and chaos will take over in our lives.

• The Only Way To Succeed Spiritually

- Some ministers have tried to build their churches on praise and worship. I love praise and worship but you can't build a church on just that. It's not the belt of truth.
- Other ministers try to build their church on social events. This is needed but you cannot rest a church on social events. It's not the belt of truth.
- Well what about prayer. Surly you can build a church on just prayer. NO!! Prayer is the lifeblood of the church but it's not the belt of truth. Only the belt of truth can hold us together both individually and corporately.
- The Bible is the only piece of spiritual armor that is tangible to hold. If you want to walk through life clothed in your spiritual armor, you must begin by taking up the Word of God and permanently affixing it to your life!!!
- The Bible MUST BE the governor, the law, the ruler, and the final say so in your life!!!