

SERMON NOTES

Date: January 24, 2021

Series: God's Riches

Title: The Breastplate of Righteousness

Text: Ephesians 6:14

Big Idea: God equips us with the breastplate of righteousness so that we may stand firm against enemy accusations.

APPLICATION GUIDE

DISCUSS

What is the breastplate of righteousness that Paul talks about in Ephesians 6:14?

Ephesians isn't the only book in the New Testament that talks about spiritual armor. Read and discuss the following passages in their context:

- Romans 13:11-12

- 1 Thessalonians 5:4-9

(Use the acronym G.O.D. as a basis for discussion. What does the passage tell us about GOD? What does the passage tell us about OURSELVES? What does the passage tell us to DO?)

APPLY THE TRUTH

Why is it essential that the righteousness in the breastplate of righteousness is God's and not your own (cf. Ephesians 2:8-9; Philippians 3:9)?

How does the enemy use his accusations to intimidate or discourage you?

How can putting on the breastplate of righteousness practically protect you from enemy attacks (cf. Romans 8:1, 31-33; also consider the use of "in Christ" or "in him" throughout Ephesians)?

COMMIT THIS WEEK

The gospel isn't just something we believe once and then forget. It should inform our daily mindset and worldview. Prayerfully reflect on what the gospel is and consider how it impacts everything you do.