

Heartland Kids Weekend Bulletin

June 26-27, 2021



Ephesians 6:10-14

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm...

1. Put on your armour

- Human armour is used to protect people's bodies from getting hurt. God's armour protects people's minds and spirits from getting tricked or hurt by the enemy.
- Paul says in Ephesians that we have to put our armour on and never take it off!

2. Stand firm

- When we think of soldiers in armour, we often picture them running into battle. God tell us something different in the Bible. He says to stand firm – to stand still.
- Think about a game of hide and seek. If you run around after the seeker has counted, you are an easy target! God wants us to be with Him and stay still in His presence. He will do the fighting for us.

3. Know the enemy's schemes

- How do we know when something is right or wrong? Our parents, friends and family tell us! When we read our Bible and know God's truth, we can spot a lie really easily.
- The best way to know the enemy's schemes is to know God's word!

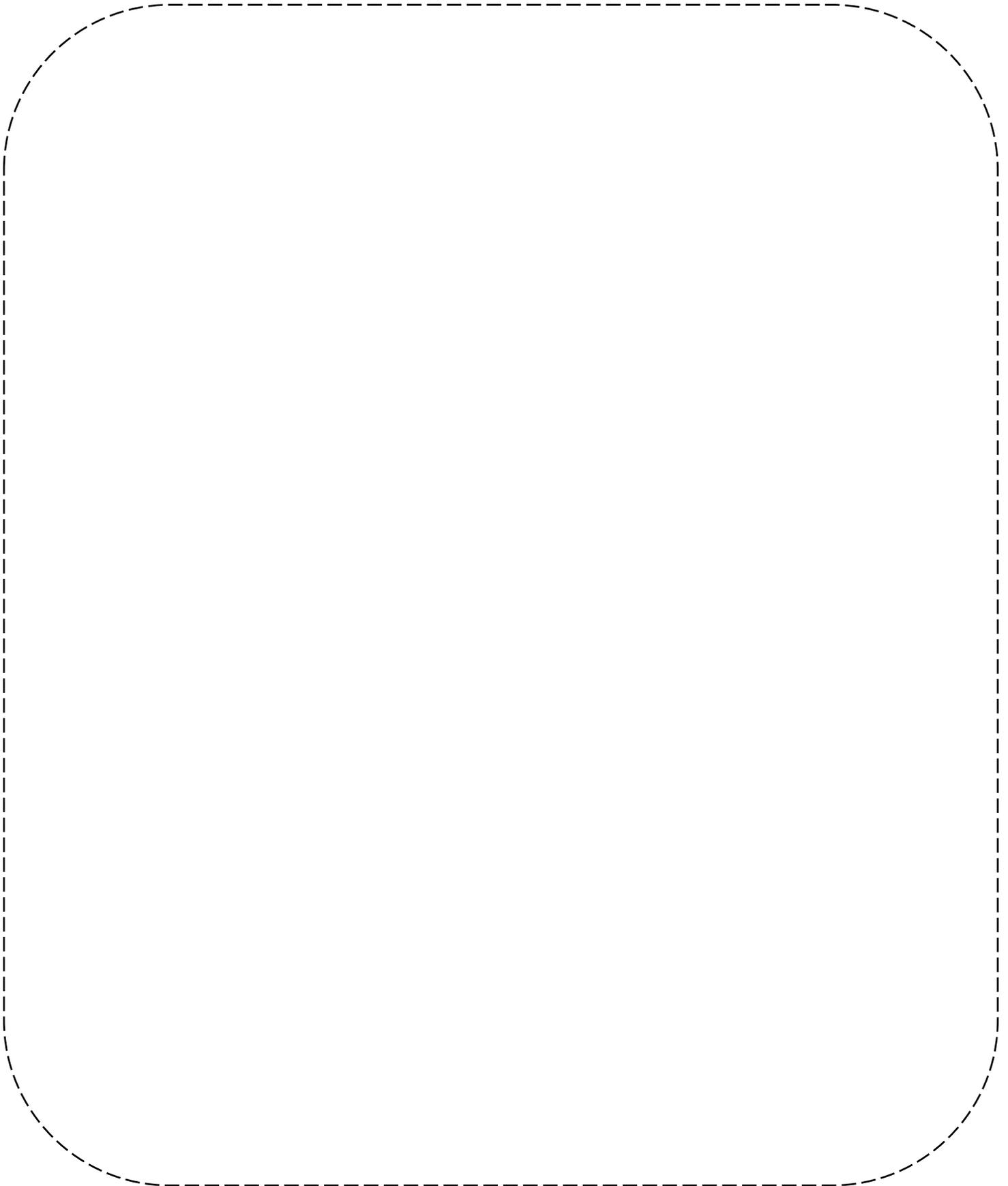
4. Prerequisite

- God loves us and wants to protect us. But first, we need to accept Jesus and His sacrifice for us.
- If you want to do that today, go to the Family Challenge section to see how to begin a relationship with Jesus.

Questions to ask as a family.

1. Have you ever put on the armour of God? Why or why not?
2. How do you feel about standing firm and letting God fight the battle for you?

Draw a picture of what you learned today.



Family Challenge

This week Pastor Al talked about putting on the armour of God. The first step in doing that is to accept Jesus into your life. If you think you're ready to take that step, talk with your family and walk through the steps below together.

1. **God loves you!** Even before you were born, God loved you and created you to know Him. But we are all separated from our holy God by sin. God found a way to bring us back to Him in relationship through the gift He gave us—His Son Jesus.

Questions to discuss:

What is sin? Have you sinned? Why is sin a problem?

2. **God gave us this incredible gift!** Jesus died on the cross for you and for me to pay for all our sins. He rose three days later to conquer sin and death and make a way for us to know God. He is alive!

Questions to discuss:

What gift did God give us? Why would God give us His most precious gift? What did Jesus do for us?

3. **Believe in Jesus.** To know God, we need to accept this gift by believing in and trusting Jesus and deciding to follow Him for our whole life.

Questions to discuss:

How do we accept this gift? What does it mean to trust Jesus?

If you want to accept this gift, talk to God in a simple prayer:

- Admit that you are a sinner and be willing to turn away from your sin.
- Ask the Lord for forgiveness of your sin.
- Believe in your heart that Jesus is God's Son who died for you and rose again.
- Express your need to Jesus for Him to be in your life as your Lord (He's in charge) and your Saviour (He has saved you).

STAND FIRM!

This week Pastor Al talked about standing firm with the armour of God. What colour do you think the armour of God is? Colour in the soldier below and show us!

