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## Practical Armor

*Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. <sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> 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.*

**Ephesians 6:10-13 (NIV)**

Q: Where will the spiritual forces of evil try to attack me?

### 1. My Mobility.

*Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist,...*

**Ephesians 6:14a (NIV)**

**Restrictions that Truth will eliminate:**

- Traditions Matthew 15:1-9
- Judgements Colossians 2:16-18; Romans 14
- Fears 2 Timothy 1:7; Hebrew 2:14-15
- Approval from others Galatians 1:10

### 2. My Desires.

*...with the breastplate of righteousness in place,...*

**Ephesians 6:14b (NIV)**

\*What is your Dominant Life Value???

Romans 1:17b - "The righteous will live by faith."

Ephesians 5:10 - "...and find out what pleases the Lord."

Galatians 5:16 - "...walk by the Spirit and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh."

**Desires that disable my breastplate/protection:**

- Safety
- Anger Ephesians 4:26-27
- Bitterness Ephesians 4:31; Acts 8:23; James 3:14