Feet Fitted with the Readiness of the Gospel of Peace

Ephesians 6:14-18 (New International Version)

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lords people.

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Put on my full armor everyday; test yourself to see if you are in the faith, if not tighten the **Belt of Truth** so I can reveal to you where your armor needs to be sure up.

Your **Breast Plate of Righteousness** is like the sternum & ribs protecting the heart. My righteousness protects your wellspring of life; all life starts in the in the heart.

Your **Shoes of Peace** is living the life of grace, everywhere you go, with everyone you meet. Shoes are to protect your feet so you can walk longer and farther but shoes can be attractive in addition to being functional. The beauty of grace is that it not only goes and moves but that it attracts others to grace.

The **Shield of Faith** is like the DNA that makes up you. Your very skin is a protective covering. When I am in you my being is in every part of your being right down to your DNA. I am the glue that makes up you and holds you together.

The **Helmet of Salvation**, the helmet is hard, the hardest piece of armor because it must protect your mind like the skull protects the brain the enemy cannot penetrate it when you are wearing it.

The **Sword of my Spirit** should flow through you like your blood reaches every part of you. When you open your mouth wide I'll fill it. My word in pregnant with power, when you speak it - I jump out alive and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, I penetrate even to divide soul & spirit, joint & morrow, I judge the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

Your entire body is fully protected before you take the Sword of the Spirit.

And **Pray in the Spirit** on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and request. Praying in the Spirit is how I edify you and build you up from all the attacks of the

enemy. It is also a private line of communication and what is spoken cannot be used against you.

*Song before service - Our God Reigns"

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"For He Himself is our peace..." (Ephesians. 2:14-15)

2 Timothy 4:1-3

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: preach the word; **be prepared in season and out of season**; correct, rebuke and encourage – **with great patience and careful instruction**. For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather round them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. NIV-UK

The image here is of the Roman soldier's sturdy sandals, which gave him stability and protection in battle.

Ironically, the peace that comes from the gospel **readies** us for war against evil.

The preparation of the gospel of peace signifies a prepared and resolved frame of heart.

We know the truth, We've given ourselves as a living sacrifice and now we are ready for battle.

<u>Isaiah 52:7</u> How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

Romans 10:15 And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Who sends us?

Not my will but yours God.