

SERMON NOTES

Title: The Invisible War: God's Armor – Breastplate of Righteousness

Text: Ephesians 6:10-20

Topic: Spiritual Warfare

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The Breastplate of Righteousness is sometimes called the **heart protector**.

The word "righteousness" means **right-living**. It has to do with conforming our will to God's will. It's about the lordship of Christ, applying the Word of God in our lives.

As we learned last week the first attack or assault of Satan is **deception**. He is the *Liar, The Father of Lies*, but he's also called *the accuser of the brethren*.

His second major attack on you is **condemnation**.

A lot of the junk in our lives is because of **guilt**.

God doesn't want you to try harder, He wants you to do the **right thing** now, and He's given you the power to do it.

When we willfully turn away from what we know is God's will, we open ourselves to **demonic** attack. Saul is an example; from the moment he disobeys he's plagued by demonic activity.

When you put on the Breastplate of Righteousness that doesn't mean you're **perfect**. It means your seeking to be responsive to what God is showing you.

Once you take the first step to do what you know God wants you to do, God will give you more **grace**.

"Therefore, to the one who knows what's right to do and doesn't do it, to him it is sin (missing the mark)." James

Why do you think God wants you to obey and apply His Word? He **loves you**. He knows that when you are living outside His will for your life you are **vulnerable** to Satan's attacks.