Introduction to the Armor of God
Part 2

Righteousness

Eph 6:10-14 ….. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. **Stand therefore,** having your loins girt about with Truth, **and having on the breastplate of righteousness;**

A. What is Righteousness?

1. Definition of righteousness
   a) Webster – Holiness, purity, uprightness, rectitude.
   b) Strong – the condition of being acceptable to God.
   c) ABC – Being in right standing with God.
2. The Word of God is the Word of Righteousness — Isa 45:23; Psalm 119:123
3. The Commandments of God are Righteousness. — Psalm 119:172
4. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His Righteousness. — Matt 6:33
5. He who drinks milk of the Word is unskillful in the Word of Righteousness. — Heb 5:12-13
   a) Strong meat belongs to those who apply the Word to discern both good/evil. — Heb 5:14

B. Righteousness Belongs to You.

1. All of our righteousness are as filthy rags before God. — Isa 64:6
2. God imputes Righteousness to Abraham because of his faith. — Rom 3:24; Rom 4:13; 9:30
3. God imputes Righteousness to us because of our faith in Jesus Christ and what he did for us. — Rom 4:6,11,22 Jam 2:23
4. You are the Righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. — 2 Cor 5:21
5. You have been given the Gift of righteousness to reign in life. — Rom 5:17

C. Righteousness Overcomes the Enemies of Faith.

1. With Faith, you receive from God; without Faith, it is impossible to please God. — Heb 11:6
   a) The primary enemies of Faith are: Fear, doubt, unbelief, guilt and condemnation.
2. In Righteousness, you shall be far from oppression and terror, you shall not fear. — Isa 54:14
3. Because you are righteous in Christ Jesus, there is no condemnation for you. — Rom 8:1
4. So shalt thou put away the guilt of innocent blood from among you, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the LORD. — Deu 21:9
5. Reckon yourself dead to sin; therefore your **heart does not condemn** you so that you have **confidence** towards God (1 Jn 3:21); so whatsoever you ask, you have. — Rom 6:11 1 John 5:14-15
   a) Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and **doubt not**, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. — Matt 21:21

D. Righteousness Is Your Defense

1. Live unto Righteousness. — 1 Pet 2:24
2. Jesus is made unto us Righteousness. — 1 Cor 1:30
3. God leads us in paths of Righteousness for His Name's sake. — Psalm 23:3
4. No matter what the fiery darts say to you, you are a new creation in Christ Jesus; you have wronged no man (2 Cor 7:2), your sins have been cast into the depths of the sea; and God remembers your sins no more. — 2 Cor 5:17 Mic 7:19 Heb 10:17
5. Die to sin and yield yourselves as instruments of righteousness unto God. — Rom 6:11-13

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