

Read the Word: Ephesians 6:10–20

Disciple Your Family: Discuss how we can put on the armor of God and stand firm against Satan's attacks.

Discuss the following Key Truths and how to apply them to life. Use the questions to spark discussion.



Key Truth: We Are Engaged in Spiritual Warfare (Ephesians 6:10–12)

APPLY: Look to God for power to stand against Satan's schemes.

- *How do we tap in to God's strength to help us stand firm?* (We spend time in prayer and in Scripture; we ask for and depend on the Holy Spirit to strengthen us; etc.)
- *Why is this a war that we cannot win on our own?*

APPLY: We need spiritual armor because our primary enemy is evil spiritual forces.

- *What is spiritual warfare?*
- *Why do our minds struggle to comprehend the spiritual warfare that is going on around us? Why is it important to acknowledge the reality of it?*



Key Truth: We Need God's Armor to Stand Against the Devil's Schemes (Ephesians 6:13–17)

APPLY: Identify the schemes Satan is using to try to get you off track. Make a firm decision to stand against his schemes.

- *What are some schemes or tactics Satan tries to use against us? What does this look like in our lives?* (Deception; temptation; disappointment; disunity; etc.)

APPLY: Put on truth, righteousness, the firm foundation of the gospel, faith, salvation, and the Bible. This is our spiritual armor.

- *How do we put on spiritual armor?* (We learn and apply God's revealed truth; we practice righteous living; we believe what God says; etc.)
- *Why do you think most of the armor mentioned is for defensive purposes?*
- *How can we help younger generations put on the armor of God?*



Key Truth: Prayer Is Another Powerful Weapon for Believers (Ephesians 6:18–20)

APPLY: Be ready at all times to pray all kinds of prayers for yourself and for others.

- *What are some things we should include in our prayers on a regular basis?* (Adoration and worship; that God would accomplish His will; confession of sin; thanksgiving; our own needs; the needs of others.)
- *What is the difference between praying for someone and "sending good vibes" or wishing someone luck?*

- *How can we make sure we spend more time praying than simply talking about prayer?*

APPLY: Pray regularly for the spiritual leaders in your church.

- *What do spiritual leaders need us to pray for?*

Build a Foundation: Discussion questions for elementary students.

**Name and talk about the different pieces of God's armor. Read "Who Is the Devil" in your child's Explorer's Guide or Adventure Guide.*

- What are some ways Satan tries to get you to go against God's way?
- How can God's armor help you stay strong in the Lord?
- Why is prayer such an important part of God's armor?

Work together to memorize the Verse of the Month: ***Ephesians 6:11***



Discuss This Week's Building Block:

Believers should be prepared for spiritual warfare, opposition from the Devil.

Everyday Extras:

Read Ephesians 6:11–18 and talk about the different parts of God's armor He gives us. Discuss different scenarios your child might be faced with and talk about how he or she could use the different pieces to defend against Satan's attacks. Why is prayer such a vital part of battling against the Devil? Share examples of times you have used God's armor to protect yourself from Satan's lies.

Preschool Highlights:

Today your child learned the *shoes of the gospel of peace* remind us to go where God wants us to and to tell others around us about Jesus. The *shield of faith* protects us from the wrong thoughts the Devil wants us to believe. **God Gives Me Protection** with His spiritual armor and I will put it on every day to protect myself from the Devil's lies.