**Suit Up!**

**Week 2: Shoes of the Gospel and shield of faith.**

Ephesians 6:10-16

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. 12 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. 13 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. 14 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. 16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

**Let’s talk about the shoes…**

1. **Shoes help you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

Matthew 24:12-14

12 Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, 13 but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

1. **Shoes help you be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

Ephesians 6:15

15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace.

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### Isaiah 52:7

7How 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!”

**Now let’s talk about the shield…**

Ephesians 6:16

16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.

1. **A shield \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ you.**

### Psalm 18:30

30As for God, his way is perfect: The Lord’s word is flawless; he shields all who take refuge in him.

1. **A shield helps you to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

9 Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: 10 If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up. 11 Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? 12 Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

1. **A shield helps you be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

### 1 Peter 3:15-16

15But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, 16keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander.

**Final thought: We need to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. If we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ he will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us from whatever comes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ us.**