



Soldier Up!

The Armor of God



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How to Use This Memory Course

Welcome! You hold in your hands a memory course to help you memorize God's Word systematically. As you get started, consider the 3 W's of memorization:

1: What will you memorize?

This memory course contains 9 verses divided into 3 weekly lessons. Resist the temptation to memorize only those verses which seem particularly interesting to you. Just as a mechanic brings his entire toolbox to the job, you'll benefit from having your heart filled with a variety of Scripture - not just the few verses you think you'll need. You'll also find that knowing a variety of Scripture equips you to minister to others more effectively.

2: When will you finish?

You have a plan, but you need a goal! Mark each weekly lesson on your calendar, allowing for breaks and holidays. Share your calendar with someone who will hold you accountable in a friendly but persistent way. After all, your memorization goal is worth completing!

3: Who will hear you recite?

Take time at the end of each week to recite the verses you've learned. If possible, recite them to someone outside your family. In addition to keeping you on track, reciting to others is a great way to share the Scriptures you're memorizing.

At Scripture Memory Fellowship, our prayer is that the verses you're about to memorize will serve as a lamp to your feet and a light to your path (Psa. 119:105). Contact us anytime for encouragement, prayer, and additional resources.

Free Resources

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Soldier Up: The Armor of God (ESV)

Every believer is part of the Army of God. Being "a good soldier of Jesus Christ" (2 Tim. 2:3) requires "suiting up" in the whole armor of God. By memorizing the nine verses in this collection, you'll become familiar with each piece of the armor of God and learn how to succeed in spiritual warfare. Are you ready to suit up?

Lesson 1: Wisdom for Soldiers

Ephesians 6:10-12

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Devotional

The Christian life is filled with dangers. The Enemy continually assaults believers. How can we stand against this constant warfare? Our strength comes from our union with the Lord Jesus Christ (John 15:4). The power to fight and stand firm comes from Him.

Study Questions

1. Based on this passage, who are your enemies? Why do you have these enemies?
2. How are the devil and demons described in this passage? How does this description compel you to rely on God?
3. Paul issues two orders in Ephesians 6:10-12. What are these orders? Are you following them?
4. According to verse 11, what is the result when Christians follow these commands?

Lesson 2: Weapons for Soldiers, Part 1

Ephesians 6:13-15

Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace.

Devotional

Our personal weakness and the ferocity of the Enemy necessitate relying on the power of God. We fight with God's strength and with God's weaponry. The Lord provides every assistance needed for daily victory over the enemy's attacks.

Study Questions

1. Why must Christian soldiers put on the armor of God?
2. What does Paul mean by "in the evil day"? Have you had one of these? How did God help you during that time?
3. Notice the repetition of the words "stand" and "withstand." What does this teach us about the Christian who puts on God's armor?
4. What does a breastplate protect? Consider a bulletproof vest and modern body armor in forming your answer.
5. Where do we get the righteousness that protects us? See 1 Corinthians 1:30.

Lesson 3: Weapons for Soldiers, Part 2

Ephesians 6:16-18

In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints,

Devotional

A soldier or policeman has a certain daily kit. Every piece of the kit is essential. The lack of one item can cause utter disaster on the day of battle. Similarly, every piece of God's armor is necessary for a believer's victory. As you memorize these verses, be sure to put on *every* piece each day.

Study Questions

1. According to Genesis 15:1 and Psalm 144:1-2, who serves as a shield for Christians?
2. What are some ways the Enemy shoots fiery darts at you?
3. The sword of the Spirit is the only offensive weapon described in this list of armor. What is this weapon, and how should believers use it? See Matthew 4:1-11 for guidance.
4. The final piece of armor has been called "the weapon of all-prayer." How do you currently use prayer in spiritual warfare? What do you need to change?

Congratulations!

You've just completed *Soldier Up: The Armor of God!*

Now what? Be a doer of the Word! Take what you've learned and live it out to the glory of God. But don't stop there. Continue studying and memorizing God's Word!

"But you must continue in the things which you have learned..." 2 Tim. 3:14

Who We Are

SMF exists to cultivate systematic Scripture memorizers who know Jesus Christ and grow in His likeness for the glory of God.

We offer 50+ time-tested memory courses as well as apps, Scripture song CDs, rewards, and more to equip memorizers of all ages for mastering the challenges of Scripture memory. We also host Scripture Memory Camp and ScriptureFests to help believers treasure the life-giving words of God.

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