## Are You Armed for Battle?

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## Introduction

- 1. The opening exhortation: be strong in the Lord! (v. 10)
- 2. Know your enemy (vv. 11–13)
  - a. A spiritual warfare (v. 12)
  - b. Satan's schemes (v. 13)
  - note how he is described: a roaring lion (1 Pet 5:8)
  - a crafty serpent (2 Cor 11:3)
  - an angel of light (2 Cor 11:14)
  - some of his schemes

He works through:

our doubts and fears (Gen 3:1; Luke 22:31)

his lies and half-truths (John 8:44; Gen 3:4)

the allurements of the world (John 14:30; Gen 3:5; 1 Tim 6:6-10;

1 Pet 2:11; 2 Tim 2:22)

our bitterness, anger, and demeaning speech (Eph 4:25–31)

our pride and self-reliance (Gen 3:5; 1 Chron 21:1; 1 Tim 3:6)

- 3. Use your weapons (vv. 14–17)
  - a. The belt of truth (v. 14a)
  - b. The breastplate of righteousness (v. 14b)
  - c. The footwear of peace (v. 15)
  - d. The shield of faith (v. 16)
  - e. The helmet of salvation (v. 17a)
  - f. The sword of the Spirt: the word of God (v. 17b)
- 4. Surround everything you do with prayer (vv. 18–20)

## Conclusion

