

## Boots for the Battle (Ephesians 6:15)

- I. Stand firm against the enemy, Prepared with Boots of Gospel of peace
  1. Be prepared with the boots of the gospel of peace, we must understand the gospel so we can defend it against attack
    - a. The Gospel is under attack from “Christian” psychology, which denies the sufficiency of Christ & the gospel
    - b. The Gospel is under attack from the modern evangelical church & its “seeker sensitive Christianity.”
    - c. The Gospel is under attack from the postmodern and humanistic views of the emerging church.
- II. To be prepared with the boots of the gospel of peace, we must have appropriated message personally.
  - a. Appropriating the gospel personally begins with repentance from sin & faith in Christ alone for salvation.
  - b. Appropriating the gospel personally continues with preaching the gospel to your own soul.
    - i. *Preaching the gospel to your own soul increases your love for God, for others, and for the lost.*
    - ii. *Preaching the gospel to your own soul humbles your pride*
    - iii. *Preaching the gospel to your own soul causes you to glorify God in all things, including your trials*
  - c. Appropriating the gospel personally brings the peace of Christ practically into your daily life.
    - i. First, it *brings us peace with God*
    - ii. The gospel *brings us peace with one another*

## CONCLUSION