

1 **ARMOR TIME: THE HELMET OF SALVATION**

Ephesians 6:13-17

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- 1. THE HELMET OF THE ROMAN SOLDIER
- 2. THE HELMET OF THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER
- 3. PUTTING ON THE HELMET OF SALVATION

3 **THE HELMET OF THE ROMAN SOLDIER**

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5 **The purpose of the helmet?**

- Protect the head!
 - Construction workers
 - Football players
 - Motorcycle riders
- The soldier's last line of defense.
- The helmet—both then and now—protects the head.
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6 **Why is it important to protect the head?**

- Because that's where the brain is – your control center!
- Without a helmet, you're much more likely to sustain an injury to your head.
- If the damage to the brain is severe enough, you could become paralyzed or even die.
- That is why the helmet for the Roman soldier was so important.

7 **THE HELMET OF THE CHRISTIAN SOLDIER**

- Called THE HELMET OF SALVATION
- Isaiah 59:17: *"For He put on righteousness as a breastplate, And a helmet of salvation on His head; He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, And was clad with zeal as a cloak."*
 - Isaiah says that God puts on the helmet of salvation.
 - God puts on the helmet of salvation and reaches down as our Redeemer and gives to the sinner eternal salvation.

8 **SALVATION**

- All-inclusive gospel word that encompasses all the exceeding riches of God's grace.
- Salvation covers the entire scope of the work of God.
- Ephesians 2:8-10: *"⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast. ¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."*

9 **What is this helmet of salvation?**

- It is from God.
- It is *the armor of God.*"
- The HELMET OF SALVATION is part of that armor.
- It is God's helmet which He has given to us for our use as His soldiers in this great war against Satan.

- 10 **We need to put on the helmet of salvation.**
- Paul is talking about the fact, the reality of the salvation that we have in Christ.
 - Can't mean that they are lost and need to be saved
 - You do not become saved by putting on the helmet.
 - If you have the helmet to put on, you are already saved.
- 11 **Help for the Battle**
- Protects the head – our minds – salvation
 - It is in our brain, that we possess the knowledge of what Christ has done for us. It is in our head that we made the decision to believe in Jesus for eternal life. It is in our head that we know what we have in Christ, and it is in our head that we know we are saved.
- 12 **Why do we need to put on the helmet of salvation?**
- It provides us with the assurance of salvation.
 - Every Christian should have assurance.
 - A doubting Christian is a worthless Christian.
 - If Satan can attack us in our mind, in our thinking, creating doubts about our salvation, he has won the victory.
 - Satan's main target of attack is our minds – to cause us to doubt our salvation.
- 13 **Doubting Castle**
- Christian & Hopeful left the Way for By-path Meadow
 - Captured by Giant Despair
 - In the dungeon of Doubting Castle
 - Midnight prayer meeting
 - Christian's Discovery – the Key
- 14 **Lessons from Doubting Castle**
- Importance of following the Way
 - Christians have the key – Assurance
 - Christian had forgotten that he had the key in his possession.
 - There was no need to be in Doubting Castle as a prisoner of Giant Despair.
- 15 **PUTTING ON THE HELMET OF SALVATION**
- How to know that you are saved – How to know that you are safe and secure forever.
 - Assurance is based on what and Who you know – NOT on what you have or haven't done.
- 16 **Romans 8:31-34**
- *³¹ What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?³³ Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. ³⁴ Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.*
- 17 **Romans 8:35-37**
- *³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?³⁶ As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." ³⁷ Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.*
- 18 **Romans 8:38-39**
- *³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers,*

nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

19  **1 John 5:11-13**

- *¹¹ And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹² He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³ These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.*

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20  **Building the Golden Gate Bridge**

- The work went very slowly.
- The reason was that the men were scared to be working over those cold, icy waters of the San Francisco Bay.
- Twelve men fell to their death.
- The safety net

21  **The Christian's Safety Net**

- John 10:27:29: *²⁷ My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. ²⁸ And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.*

22  **2 Timothy 1:12**

- *"I know whom I have believed and am persuaded that He is able to keep what I have committed to Him until that Day."*