

Sermon Notes November 6, 2022

Helmet of Salvation

TEXT: Ephesians 6:10-20

- Today we are looking at the helmet of salvation.
 - Vrs. 17 and take the helmet of salvation
- The helmet was carried, slung on a strap while not in battle or service.
- When the helmet was put on, you were going into battle.
- This is important in view of the fact the child of God is told to take up the helmet of salvation.
 - Putting on the Helmet of Salvation means you are going to war! What Do We Know About This War From God's Word?
- 1. We understand we have changed kingdoms.
 - a. We changed kingdoms from darkness to Christ's.
 - i. Colossians 1:13
 - **1.** The devil is not happy about this, you have moved from the devil's kingdom to God's kingdom.
 - ii. We know it by the battle that is now raging in our souls.
 - 1. 1 Peter 2:11
 - Our focus now is to fight in the kingdom of which we have been enlisted.
 - 1. 2 Timothy 2:4
 - iv. Coming to Christ makes you a spiritual warrior.
 - v. Your salvation declares to the devil and his demons that you are now fighting back.
 - **b.** Our mind set has changed.
 - i. Romans 8:5-6
 - **c.** We are prepared for action.
 - i. 1 Peter 1:13
 - **d.** We have chosen to sow to the Spirit and not the flesh.
 - i. Galatians 6:8
 - e. The enemy is surprised that we have joined the opposition.
 - i. 1 Peter 4:3-5

2. We understand the power of the enemy, the flesh.

- a. Our former self was fulfilling the desires of the flesh.
- **b.** This is what we now are in a battle against.
- c. Our former self is like a winey kid that's no longer getting all the attention they use to get.
 - i. Ephesians 2:3
- d. The enemy wants to make us submit. Refuse to give in to the enemy as you battle.
 - i. Romans 6:12
 - ii. We must refuse to let sin have it's way
- **e.** We must open our eyes and see the reality of the enemy.
 - i. 2 Corinthians 4:18

3. We understand the objective of this war

- a. To kill the enemy, our fleshly passions.
 - i. Colossians 3:5
- **b.** To crucify the flesh and it's passions
 - i. Galatians 5:19-21

- **c.** We starve it's gratifying desires.
 - i. Romans 13:12-14

Look at the contrast

ii. Cast off works of darkness

Put on armor of

iii. Make no provision for the flesh Christ

Put on the Lord Jesus

- to gratify it's desires. d. We want the flesh to suffer to death.
 - i. 1 Peter 4:1-2
 - ii. When you flesh is suffering, you are winning!!

4. We understand the power of the Spirit to kill the flesh

- **a.** When you are converted, the Spirit of God comes to dwell in you.
 - i. Romans 8:8-10
- **b.** He is the power behind the victory over the flesh.
 - i. Romans 8:13-14
 - 1. Those who have victory, are those who are led by the Spirit of God.
 - 2. The Spirit of God, kills the flesh!
- 5. We understand the characteristics of this war.
 - a. It is a purposeful war.
 - i. 1 Corinthians 9:26-27
 - 1. Don't get to thinking it is not use, I can't win, why bother.
 - 2. Your strength to fight is in the Lord, but you have to be willing to fight.
 - 3. The purpose for fighting the war is so that you will not be rejected.
 - b. It is a good war.
 - i. 1 Timothy 1:18
 - ii. 1 Timothy 6:12
 - iii. 2 Timothy 4:7
 - **1.** This is a good fight.
 - 2. You can feel biblically good about this fight.
 - c. It is a joint war.
 - i. Philippians 2:25
 - ii. Philemon 1:2
 - 1. This is why we lean on one another and help one another.
 - 2. We do not have the attitude of each man for himself.
 - 3. The devil wants us to think that we are in it alone.
 - **4.** We cannot develop an isolationist mentality.
 - d. It is a hard war.
 - i. 2 Timothy 2:3
 - ii. I can find no verse that says this war against the devil is easy.
 - iii. It was not easy for Christ.
 - iv. Angels came and ministered to him at least twice that the scriptures give record of. - Luke 22:43, Matthew 4:11
 - e. It is a winning war.
 - i. Christ NEVER looses!
 - **1.** 2 Corinthians 2:14
 - ii. We are MORE THAN conquerors.
 - 1. Romans 8:35-37

Conclusion: Every child of God has entered the war, and you are on the winning side.

FIGHT!!