



Beyond the Sermon

A Sermon Application Guide

Title: Armor of Love (At The Enemy's Gate pt. 2)

This guide is designed to offer a simple tool for those wanting to take the next step with Sunday's message. You can print this guide to study on your own, or use it in a group and experience transformation together.

Prayer

"God, you are an awesome God. Your beauty can't be contained in any song or prayer. Thank you for the glimpses of You all around us and for making each of us unique to resemble you in different ways. I know you have defeated the enemy and that you have good things for me. You're so wonderful. Amen."

Message Theme

The Real Enemy | Know Satan's Tactics

Key Truths

It is important for us as believers to know who our enemy is so we can be prepared and stand against him. In the beginning, satan was created by God and was a cherub angel. We can see in the Bible that even the angels have free will and Satan had made a choice for himself between good and evil.

Why would God create evil? The fact that there was good means there was the possibility for evil. God's plan wasn't for evil but he has blessed us with choices and free will, which means that we get to choose God and goodness or evil and separation from God.

We learn in the bible that music is spiritual. By just being in corporate worship we can find relief. What we listen to gets on the inside of us. This is why what we listen to is so important. We also read that Angels are often involved in healings. Angels are ministers of God sent to minister for us but our rebellion and strife can stop their ministry.

Practical Application

The grace of God is like a diamond, it has a lot of facets and sides. One of them is the grace for every single need we have. That isn't necessarily for the past but specifically for today and tomorrow. ● The grace of God brings help for the situation we are in right now.

- When the grace of God is on us, we will love doing what we're doing.

- The grace of God enables us to enjoy what others don't.
- We must stay vigilant, satan uses people to get his work done but people are not our enemies.
- We will have God's best for us if we press in for it.

Reference Verses

- 1 Peter 5:8
- Ezekiel 28:2, 28:12-16
- Daniel 3:7
- 2 Kings 3:10-20
- Isaiah 14:13-15
- Hebrews 4:16
- Ephesians 6:12
- 2 Corinthians 4:4
- Revelation 3:20
- Matthew 11:28-30

Declarations

"I know that God is good and created me for good things. God does not cause bad things to happen but he turns them around to bring beauty. Our battles are not against people but against Satan and darkness. The Bible tells me I am on the winning team. Now I get the honor of sharing the good news with other people".

What's Next?

Now it's time to write down anything the Lord has spoken to you. Praise Him, Thank Him and ask the Holy Spirit to help you walk this out.

Scripture References

Armor of Love

Proverbs 13:20 NKJV He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will be destroyed.

Proverbs 6:23-24 NKJV For the commandment is a lamp, And the law a light; Reproofs of instruction are the way of life, To keep you from the evil woman...

1 Corinthians 13:1 ESV If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

1 Corinthians 13:1-8 NKJV Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.

Proverbs 18:22 NKJV He who finds a wife finds a good thing...

Proverbs 31:10 NKJV Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.

Proverbs 2:1-2 NIV My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding—

2 Timothy 3:16-17 NIV All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Psalms 87:7 NKJV "All my springs are in you."

Colossians 3:23-24 KJV And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men; Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.

Psalms 91:15 NKJV I will deliver him and honor him.

Proverbs 13:18 NCV ...but the one who accepts correction will be honored.

1 Corinthians 7:39 KJV ...she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.

1 Peter 3:1-7 NKJV REF Wives, likewise, *be* submissive to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, may be won by the conduct of their wives, when they observe your chaste conduct *accompanied* by fear. Do not let your adornment be *merely* outward—arranging the hair, wearing gold, or putting on *fine* apparel— rather *let it be* the hidden person of the heart, with the ⁱⁿincorruptible *beauty* of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is very precious in the sight of God. For in this manner, in former times, the holy women who trusted in God also adorned themselves, being submissive to their own husbands, as Sarah obeyed Abraham, calling him lord, whose daughters you are if you do good and are not afraid with any terror.