

Intentional

Read: The Whole Armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-18)

Explain: The Whole Armor of God (Ephesians 6:10-18)

Are there any repeated words?

What do the words mean?

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong [imperative] **in the Lord and in the power of His might** [ability, force, strength]. **11 Put on** [imperative] **the whole armor** [_____ armor] **of God, that you may be able to stand** [to cause or make to stand, to place, put, set] **against the wiles of the devil** [cunning arts, deceit, craft, trickery]. [2 Corinthians 11:14 (NIV): **And no wonder, for Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light. Charles Spurgeon: Discernment is not knowing the difference between right and wrong. It is knowing the difference between right and almost right.**] **12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.** **13 Therefore take up** [imperative] **the whole armor** [full armor] **of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.**

14 Stand [imperative] **therefore, having girded** [to fasten garments with a girdle or belt] **your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,** [Matthew Henry [on the belt]: **Girds on** [secures] **all the other pieces of our armor. _____ should cleave to us as a belt cleaves to our body.**] **15 and having shod** [to underbind, to bind under one's self, bind on] **your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 above all, taking** [to _____ (a thing in order to carry or use it)] **the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. 17 And take** [imperative] **the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;** [Hebrews 4:12: **For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.**] **18 praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints**

Psalm 139:13-18:

**13 For You formed my inward parts;
You covered me in my mother's womb.**
**14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully *and* wonderfully made;
Marvelous are Your works,
And *that* my soul knows very well.**
**15 My frame was not hidden from You,
When I was made in secret,
And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.**
**16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed.
And in Your book they all were written,
The days fashioned for me,
When as yet *there were* none of them.**
**17 How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God!
How great is the sum of them!**
**18 *If* I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand;
When I awake, I am still with You.**

Apply (What is the point?)

- 1. God has what we need
- 2. We must be ready
- 3. _____?

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____