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EPHESIANS 6:10-20 (CSB)

THE BIRTHMARK OF A BELIEVER IS A BULLSEYE.

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ONE REALITY IN TWO REALMS

THE SEEN & THE UNSEEN.

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EPHESIANS 6:16 (CSB)



“ Take the helmet of salvation”

EPHESIANS 6:17A (CSB)

SIN VS. STRONGHOLD.



“ And the sword of the Spirit—which is the word of God.”

EPHESIANS 6:17B (CSB)

THE FORGOTTEN ARMOR OF PRAYER.



“ Pray at all times in the Spirit with every prayer and request, and stay alert with all perseverance and intercession for all the saints.”

EPHESIANS 6:18 (CSB)

CONFESS & PRAY.

“ Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is very powerful in its effect.”

JAMES 5:16 (CSB)

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EPHESIANS 6:19-20 (CSB)

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