

NEW TESTAMENT WRITERS

EPHESIANS

Pray: ask God to open your mind, soul and spirit to His teaching through His Word

Think: the questions are designed to expand your knowledge of God and His Word

Begin: using only your Bible, answer the questions* without other outside sources

**questions are based on New International Version (NIV)*

Lesson 7 – Ephesians 6:10–24

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1.
 - a) What is the final command given to readers in Ephesians 6:10?
 - b) How do we achieve this command according to Ephesians 6:11?
 - c) Upon whom do we rely on for all these things?
2.
 - a) Who are “you”, “our” and “all the saints” in Ephesians 6:10–24?
 - b) Who is “our” struggle against according to Ephesians 6:11–12?
 - c) Where are these schemes, powers and forces found? Be specific.
 - d) Read Romans 7:14–25. Do you think the battle discussed in Ephesians 6:10–20 is different than the battles discussed in Romans 7:14–25? Why or why not?
 - e) What feelings does the topic of spiritual battle bring up for you? Why?
 - f) In what relationship is Ephesians 6:12 helping you to see that your struggle is not against a particular human being but against spiritual forces? How does this shape your future interactions within this relationship?

3.
 - a) Write down words and phrases that are repeated at least once in Ephesians 6:10–20. What do you think is the reason for this repetition?

 - b) What position does putting on the full armor of God allow? (Hint: It's one of the phrases that Scripture repeats). Write a definition of this word(s) from the dictionary.

4.
 - a) Describe the articles of armor. Include the purpose for each piece.

 - b) Each article of armor is given an attribute. Who do these attributes describe?

 - c) How is the topic discussed in Ephesians 6:18 part of the armor of God?

 - d) Which parts of the armor of God would you classify as defensive and which are offensive? Which are both?

 - e) Why do you think there are more in one classification than the other?

5.
 - a) For what two things does Paul specifically ask the readers to pray in Ephesians 6:19–20?

 - b) How are these requests in accord with his statements in Ephesians 3:1–13?

 - c) Describe the spiritual battle in which Paul seems to be.

- d) Prayerfully identify the specifics of the spiritual battle in which you face today.
- e) Form your prayer requests to aid you in battle, keeping in mind your mission (remember your answer in Lesson 3, question 4a) and the equipping of God's armor upon you (including prayer and other believers' prayers). Pray through your feelings and ask for a deeper understanding of Truth regarding your battle. Write your prayer requests and thoughts here.
6. According to Ephesians 6:21–22, why does Paul send Tychicus?
7. What does Paul remind “the brothers” they have in his closing of the letter in Ephesians 6:23–24?