

The Armor of God: Sword of the Spirit Ephesians 6:10-12, 17; Luke 4:1-13



Here's what happens...

Paul talks about the spiritual battle we're fighting against evil and tells us to wield the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. This is the only offensive weapon that's listed as part of God's armor, and we see Jesus use his sword to fight Satan's temptations.

Bible Point:

We fight evil with God's Word.

"Therefore, put on every piece of God's armor so you will be able to resist the enemy in the time of evil. Then after the battle you will still be standing firm" (Ephesians 6:13).

Through the Week

- Choose one verse from the list below that means the most to your family.
- Work together to learn the verse, putting it in your *hearts*, not just your heads.
- Discuss what the verse means for your life and what difference it makes each day as you remember it. You could fill in the second half of Psalm 119:11 with why the verse matters to you: "I have hidden your word in my heart, that I might ____."

Choose from these verses:

- "Do everything without complaining and arguing" (Philippians 2:14).
- "Never let loyalty and kindness leave you! Tie them around your neck as a reminder. Write them deep within your heart" (Proverbs 3:3).
- "This is my command—be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9).

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Talk About This...

- Describe the Bible. What do you think it's useful for?