



The Echoes of Eternity

Sermon Notes and Takehome

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“What we do on earth, echoes in eternity!”

We don't like think about how much _____ our life makes.

This thought can be _____.

The Armor of God passage is meant to be an _____ that you're not fighting _____.

“Be strong _____ and in _____ mighty power.” (vs. 10)

“Put on the _____ armor of God.” (vs 13)

7. In the message, Kory defined righteousness as, “being in right relationship with God and other people.” Do you agree with this definition? Why or why not?
8. What are some examples of “false righteousness?”
9. Why does Paul describe the gospel as “the gospel of peace?”
10. How would you define peace? How do you know when you have peace?
11. Kory said, “You can't have faith *in* God if you're not faithful *to* God.” Do you agree? Why or why not?
12. What does it mean to be “faithful” to God?
13. How does the hope of salvation help us be faithful to God?
14. In what ways have you used the Bible as a weapon?
15. If you were to say one piece of armor is lacking in your life, which would it be?
16. If the echoes of eternity come from the “small things,” what small things have others done that impacted your eternity?
17. What small thing can you do this week that may echo in eternity?

The Armor:

1. Truth.

- Jesus said, “the truth will set you _____.”
- We wear it when we _____ to the truth.

2. Righteousness.

- Being in right relationship with _____ and _____.
- Even religious devotion can become _____ - _____.

3. The Gospel of Peace.

- We all live with a God-shaped _____.
- When we accept the “gospel of peace” we become _____.

4. Faith.

- The word for “faith” and “_____” are the same.
- You can’t have faith and be “_____” at the same time.

5. Salvation.

- Faithfulness is not a _____.
- In this life, Jesus’ only promise is that He will be _____.

6. The Word of God.

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Questions for Reflection and Application:

Read through the armor of God passage in Ephesians 6:10-18.

1. Is there any particular one of the six pieces of armor that stand out to you?
2. Do you think Paul carefully thought out the relationship of each piece of armor with its corresponding spiritual trait? (i.e. do you think Paul saw commonalities between the soldier’s belt and “truth?”)
3. If so, how is each spiritual trait like its corresponding piece of armor?
4. Jesus said, “the truth will set you free.” How has this been true in your life?
5. How are truth and righteousness related? What happens if you have truth without righteousness?