THE ARMOR OF GOD SERIES (#10) HELMET OF SALVATION Ephesians 6:10-17

INTRODUCTION: SPIRITUAL CONFLICT IS NOT EASY!

A. THE BIBLE DISCUSSES OUR CONFLICT IN 3 DIMENSIONS

- 1. Between the flesh and the spirit. (Galatians 5:16-26)
- 2. Between the Christian and the world. (John 15:18-27)
- 3. Between the believer and demons. (Ephesians 6:10-17)

B. THE BIBLE DISCUSSES THE CHRISTIAN'S VICTORY!

- 1. We have the power to glorify God! (Ephesians 3:20)
- 2. In God's power, we can "walk worthy." (Ephesians 4:1)
- 3. The Holy Spirit is God's resource to power! (Ephesians 5:18)

C. TO LIVE IN VICTORY WE MUST USE GOD'S RESOURCES

- Belt of Truth
- Shoes of the Gospel of Peace
- Shield of Faith
- Breastplate of Righteousness

I. THE HELMET OF SALVATION (17)

- 1. Primary function: to ward off blows from a sword.
- 2. Covers you with the hope and surety of eternal life.

II. THREE ASPECTS OF THE THEOLOGY OF SALVATION

- Past: Freedom from the penalty of my sin. (Romans 8:1)
- Present: Freedom from the power of sin. (Romans 8:33)
- Future: Freedom from the presence of sin. (Revelation 21:4; 1 John 3:2; Romans 8:30)

CLOSING: GOD'S SALVATION COVERS AND PROTECTS US!

As a child and soldier of Christ:

- Salvation <u>has</u> happened...that's justification.
- It <u>is</u> happening every day...that's sanctification.
- It will happen in God's heaven...that's glorification!