Special Gear for Special Work

03 Apr 2011 Ephesians 6:10-24

**Three Critical Strategies in the Battle We Are Equipping For**

1. **Be Strong in the Lord! (6:10-13)**

Paul says, as the final and main point of this whole letter, that we are in a spiritual battle taking place in the realm he has been calling the heavenly places. Do you believe that? How has our cultural/educational system tried to make you prejudiced against the idea of supernatural anything?

Why are we to be strong in the Lord rather than terrified? God has already won the war- so what is now at stake (6:13)?

1. **Stand Firm! (6:14-17)**

God is telling us to suit up in the same armor that He and His Messiah wear in the day of Battle (Is 11:5; 59:17). Can you wear these things listed again here in Ephesians?

Is this language casual and philosophical in nature? How would you describe the level of commitment God is seeking in us?

1. **Pray! (6:18-20)**

Paul wants prayer for himself and other believers. Why is important that there are people with other spiritual gifts and some (like Paul) with extraordinary levels of faith?

Why is it important that we are always aware that we are not alone in this battle?