Gear Up Part 7 - Sunday

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Sword of the Spirit!

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Ephesians 6:13-18

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Ephesians 6:13, Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. 14 Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, 15 and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. 16 In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. 17 Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Romans 4:3, What does Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."

Hebrews 4:12, For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.

Hebrews 1:3, The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.

- **2 Corinthians 10:4,** The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.
- **2 Timothy 3:16,** All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, 17 so

that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

When We Unsheathe God's Word—We Realize:

1. It Is Our Foundation for TRUTH

John 17:17, Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth.

2. It Is Our Supply for Spiritual GROWTH

1 Peter 2:1, Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. 2 Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, 3 now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

3. It Is Our Resource for **DIRECTION**

Psalm 119:105, Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.

4. It Is Our Strength When <u>TEMPTED</u>

Psalm 119:11, I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you.

5. It Is Our Source of Encouragement and HOPE

Romans 15:4, For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

6. It Is Our Fountain of True HAPPINESS

Luke 11:28, He replied, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it."

Luke 4:13, When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.