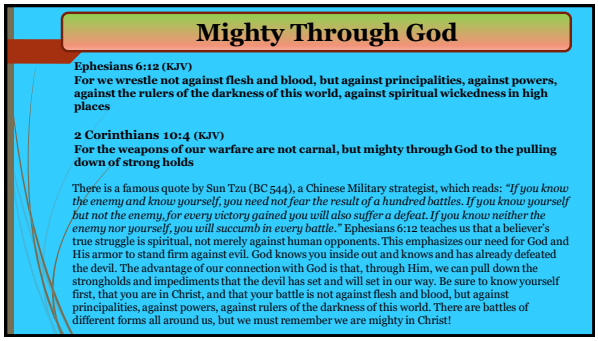
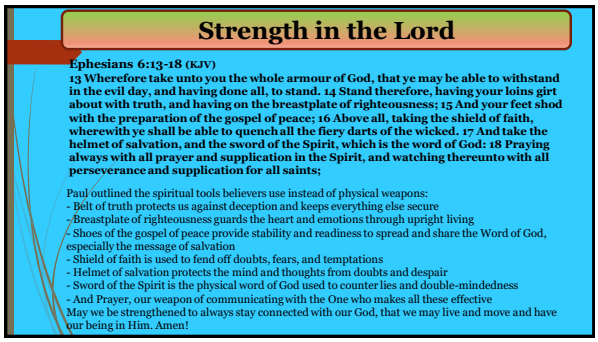

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Mighty Through God
Ephesians 6:12 (KJV)
For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places
2 Corinthians 10:4 (KJV)
For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds
There is a famous quote by Sun Tzu (BC 544), a Chinese Military strategist, which reads: "If you know the enemy and know yourself, you need not fear the result of a hundred battles. If you know yourself but not the enemy, for every victory gained you will also suffer a defeat. If you know neither the enemy nor yourself, you will succumb in every battle." Ephesians 6:12 teaches us that a believer's true struggle is spiritual, not merely against human opponents. This emphasizes our need for God and His armor to stand firm against evil. God knows you inside out and knows and has already defeated the devil. The advantage of our connection with God is that, through Him, we can pull down the strongholds and impediments that the devil has set and will set in our way. Be sure to know yourself first, that you are in Christ, and that your battle is not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of this world. There are battles of different forms all around us, but we must remember we are mighty in Christ!

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Strength in the Lord
Ephesians 6:13-18 (KJV)
13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. 14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; 15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; 16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. 17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: 18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;
Paul outlined the spiritual tools believers use instead of physical weapons:
- Belt of truth protects us against deception and keeps everything else secure
- Breastplate of righteousness guards the heart and emotions through upright living
- Shoes of the gospel of peace provide stability and readiness to spread and share the Word of God, especially the message of salvation
- Shield of faith is used to fend off doubts, fears, and temptations
- Helmet of salvation protects the mind and thoughts from doubts and despair
- Sword of the Spirit is the physical word of God used to counter lies and double-mindedness
- And Prayer, our weapon of communicating with the One who makes all these effective
May we be strengthened to always stay connected with our God, that we may live and move and have our being in Him. Amen!

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