

The Armor of YHWH

This study is not the regular run of the mill, confirming what others teach about the Full Armor of God. Rather, this study is taken from Scripture itself from a Hebraic view point. This is not the norm from what you may have been taught in Church or other places. It's my hope to clear up what others have taught incorrectly. I will let the Scriptures speak for itself. Praise YHWH!

The picture below is typical of what we were taught in Church when it comes to the Full Armor of God. We all have this picture engrained in our minds, so when someone mentions or teaches on the Full Armor of God, we automatically see a picture of a Roman soldier such as the one below.

Unless otherwise noted, all Scripture is taken from "Restoration Scriptures --- True Name Edition" www.yourarmstoisrael.org.

Question: Does the picture below truly represent the Full Armor of God according to what is written in Scripture? Let us examine the Scriptures.



Our study starts out with **Ephesians 6:10-20** "**10** Finally, my brothers, be strong in YHWH (Yahweh), and in the power of His might. **11** Put on the whole armor of Elohim (God/Mighty One), that you may be able to stand against the strategies (wiles) of s.a.tan (satan). **12** Because we wrestle not against flesh and dom (blood), but against principalities, against authorities (powers), against the rulers of the darkness of this olam (world), against spiritual wickedness in high places. **13** Therefore take up the whole armor of Elohim (God/Mighty One), that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand, stand even more. **14** Stand therefore, having your waist wrapped around with emet (truth), and having on the breastplate of

tzedakah (righteousness); **15** And your feet fitted with the preparation of the besarot (Good News) of shalom (peace); **16** Above all, taking the shield of emunah (faith), with which you shall be able to quench all the fiery arrows of the wicked one. **17** And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Ruach (Spirit), which is the word of YHWH (Yahweh): **18** Making tefillot (prayers) always with all intercession and supplication in the Ruach (Spirit), and watching in the Ruach (Spirit) with all endurance and petitions for all kidushim (saints); **19** And for me, that words may be given to me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the besarot (Good News), **20** For which I am an envoy in prison: that in prison I may speak boldly, as I should speak."

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When Paul wrote the above Scriptures, he was remezing (looking back) to **Isaiah 59:17** "For He put on tzedakah (righteousness) as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation upon His head; and He put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak."

Isaiah was speaking of Yahshua (Jesus) above. Yahshua's (Jesus's) garments and dress as our High Priest, not as a Roman soldier, for Isaiah never knew nor saw what a Roman soldier looked like, since he lived some 600 years before Rome even existed. Moreover, Rav Shaul (Rabbi/Teacher Paul) quotes this in **Ephesians 6:13-17**, and tells the Israelites in Ephesus to dress just like their Savior Yahshua (Jesus). In context with **Isaiah 59:16**, Yahshua (Jesus) is the one being described as YHWH's (Yahweh's) armor. So in essence, these verses are telling us to put on Yahshua (Jesus) and His fullness. The Roman soldier analogy is a myth produced by wayward sheep who do not understand what is written.

Now, we will look at the Priestly garment noted in **Exodus 28:1-4** "1 And bring near Aharon (Aaron) your brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Yisrael (Israel), that he may serve Me in the kohen's (priest's) office, even Aharon (Aaron), Nadav (Nadab) and Avihu (Abihu), El-Azar (Eleazar) and Ithamar, Aharon's (Aaron's) sons. 2 And you shall make kodesh (set-apart/holy) garments for Aharon (Aaron) your brother for tifereth (glory) and for beauty. 3 And you shall speak to all that are wise hearted, who I have filled with the Ruach (Spirit) of cochma (wisdom), that they may make Aharon's (Aaron's) garments to consecrate him, that he may attend to Me in the kohen's (priest's) office. 4 And these are the garments which they shall make; a breastplate, and an shoulder garment, and a robe, and a broidered coat, a turban, and a girdle: and they shall make kodesh (set-apart/holy) garments for Aharon (Aaron) your brother, and his sons, that he may attend to Me in the kohen's (priest's) office."

In **Ephesians 6:10-11**, we see Shaul (Paul) is using a play on two words, one Hebrew and one Aramaic to teach the Ephesians. Shaul (Paul) contrasts and compares zantah (**wiles**) with zannah (**armor**).

Ephesians 6:10-11 (KJV) "10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. 11 Put on the whole **armor** (zannah) of God, that ye may be able to stand against the **wiles** (zantah – hook) of the devil."

Zantah (Aramaic) means: Strategies or wiles.
Hooked or barbed in Hebrew.
Fish hook or any other trap.

Zantah is the devil. This is a type and shadow of the spirit of the anti-Christ.

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Zanah (Hebrew) means: Armor

Any type of military equipment.
Sword or shield.

Zanah is Yahshua (Jesus). This is a type and shadow of Yahshua (Jesus).

What Shaul (Paul) was saying is "What is going to **hook** (Zantah) you and carry you to your death?"

The other one will become an **armor** (Zanah) to you, and it will protect you with the anointing of Yahshua Messiah (Jesus Christ).

In this study, we will be piecing together the full armor of Yahweh from a Hebrew perspective.

Belt of Truth

We begin with the **Belt of Truth**.

Shaul (Paul) was remezing (reflecting back) to **Leviticus 8:6-7** when he wrote **Ephesians 6:10-20**.

Leviticus 8:6-7 "6 And Moshe (Moses) brought Aharon (Aaron) and his sons, and washed them with mayim (water). 7 And he put upon him the coat, and dressed him with the girdle, and clothed him with the robe, and put the ephod upon him, and he dressed him with the long shirt of the ephod, and bound it to him with it."

Isaiah

Isaiah 11:5 "And tzedakah (righteousness) shall be the belt of His loins, and faithfulness the belt of his waist."

Ephesians

Ephesians 6:14a "Stand therefore, having your waist wrapped around with emet (truth),...."

John 8:39b-45 "39bYahshua (Jesus) said to them, **If you were Avraham's (Abraham's) children, you would do the works of Avraham (Abraham).** 40 **But now you seek to kill Me, a man that has told you the emet (truth), which I have heard from YHWH (Yahweh): this Avraham (Abraham) did not do.** 41 **You do the deeds of your abba (father).** Then they said to Him, We are not born of fornication; we have one Abba (Father), even Elohim (Mighty One/God). 42 Yahshua (Jesus) said to them, **If YHWH (Yahweh) Elohim (Mighty One/God) were your Abba (Father), you would love Me: for I proceeded forth and came from YHWH (Yahweh) Elohim (Mighty One/God); neither came I by My own**

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accord, but He sent Me. **43** Why do you not understand My speech? Even because you cannot shema (hear) My word. **44** You are of your abba (father) s.a.tan (satan/the devil), and the lusts of your abba (father) you will do. He was a murderer from the Bereshet (Beginning), and stayed not in the emet (truth), because there is no emet (truth) in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks his own lie: for he is a liar, and the abba (father) of it. **45** And because I tell you the emet (truth), you do not believe Me."

What is Truth?

We can look to **Psalm 119:142** to find the answer "Your tzedakah (righteousness) is an everlasting tzedakah (righteousness), and Your Torah (law) is the emet (truth)."

We see that Torah (law) is defined as "**Truth**" in the above Psalm. Now, lets look at another Psalm.

Psalm 119:150-151 "**150** They draw near that follow after evil: they are far from Your Torah (law). **151** You are near, O YHWH (Yahweh); and all Your mitzvot (commandments) are emet (truth)."

Again, we see from the above Psalm that His Commandments which are in His Torah (law) are "**Truth**".

Matthew

Matthew 24:12 "And because iniquity (Torah-less-ness/lawlessness) shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold." (KJV)

Romans

Romans 13:12 "The night is far spent, the Day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of Light." (KJV)

Lawlessness is anomos in Greek. It is translated in our Scriptures as "**law**". Strong's #460 **ἀνόμος**, anomōs, *an-om'-oce*: Adverb from #459; *lawlessly*, that is, (specifically) *not amenable to* (the Jewish) *law*: - **without law**.

The other Greek work for "**law**" is nomos. Strong's #3551 **νόμος**, nomos, *nom'-os*: From a primary word **νέμω** nemō (to *parcel* out, especially *food* or *grazing* to animals); *law* (through the idea of prescriptive *usage*), generally (*regulation*), specifically (of Moses [including the volume]; also of the Gospel), or figuratively (a *principle*): - **law**.

Proverbs 6:23 "For the commandment is a lamp; and the **law** (Torah) **is light**; and reproofs of instruction (discipline) are the way of life:" (KJV)

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We see from the above Scripture in Proverbs that the "law" (Torah) is light! With this in mind, let's look again at **Romans 13:12**. "The night is far spent, the Day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the **armor of Light**." (KJV)

In the book of Romans, Shaul (Paul) tells us to put on the "armor of Light" = Torah as our armor! Perhaps Shaul (Paul) had this in mind when he wrote to the Ephesians?

The Breastplate of Righteousness

When you put on the armor of God; you are putting on Yahshua (Jesus) and the Torah.

We do NOT take on the devil, but Yahshua (Jesus) does. The enemy is already defeated.

Let us consider the breastplate of righteousness from a Hebrew perspective.

The breastplate of righteousness is the 12 stones representing the 12 tribes of Israel. When all 12 are gathered; we have a breastplate of righteousness.

Exodus 28:15-21 "15 And you shall make the breastplate of mishpat (judgment) with skilled work; like the work of the shoulder garment you shall make it; of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shall you make it. 16 Foursquare it shall be being doubled; a span shall be the length of it, and a span shall be the width of it. 17 And you shall set in it settings of stones, even four rows of stones: the first row shall be a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this shall be the first row. 18 And the second row shall be an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond. 19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst. 20 And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their settings. 21 And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Yisrael (Israel), twelve, according to their names, like the engravings of a signet; every one with its name shall they be according to the twelve tribes."

The Hebrew word for judgment is mishpat (Strong's #4941) which means deliverance, deliverer and power!

Mishpat (Strong's #4941) משפט mishpât, *mish-pawt'*: From H8199; properly a *verdict* (favorable or unfavorable) pronounced judicially, especially a *sentence* or formal decree (human or (particularly) divine *law*, individual or collectively), including the act, the place, the suit, the crime, and the penalty; abstractly *justice*, including a particular *right*, or *privilege* (statutory or customary), or even a *style*: - + adversary, ceremony, charge, X crime, custom, desert, determination, discretion, disposing, due, fashion, form, to be

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judged, judgment, just (-ice, -ly), (manner of) law (-ful), manner, measure, (due) order, ordinance, right, sentence, usest, X worthy, + wrong.

Isaiah

Isaiah 11:5 "And tzedakah (righteousness) shall be the belt of His loins, and faithfulness the belt of his waist."

Ephesians

Ephesians 6:14a "Stand therefore, having your waist wrapped around with emet (truth),...."

The Hebrew word for righteousness is Strong's #6666 tzadekah. A tzadek is a righteous person.

Feet Shod With the Gospel of Peace

Shaul (Paul) was remezing (looking back) to **Exodus 28:31-35**.

Exodus 28:31-35 (KJV) "**31** And you shall make the robe of the shoulder garment all of blue. **32** And there shall be a hole in the top of it, in the midst of it: it shall have a binding of woven work all around the hole of it, as it were the hole of strong, armor that it be not torn. **33** And beneath upon the hem of it you shall make pomegranates of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, all around the hem of it; and bells of gold between them all around: **34** A golden bell and a pomegranate, a golden bell and a pomegranate, upon the hem of the robe round all around. **35** And it shall be upon Aharon (Aaron) to attend: and its sound shall be heard when he goes in to the kadosh (set-apart) place before YHWH (Yahweh), and when he comes out, that he die not."

Isaiah

Isaiah 52:7 "How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of Him that brings Tov (Good) News, that publishes shalom (peace); that brings Tov (Good) News of tov (good) things, that publishes Yahshua (Yah saves or Salvation of Yah); that says to Tzion (Zion – pronounced "see on"), Your Elohim (Mighty One/God) reigns!"

Ephesians

Ephesians 6:15 "And your feet fitted with the preparation of the besarot (Good News) of shalom (peace);"

Psalm 119:105 (KJV) "Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my derech (Way, or road, or path)."

Romans 10:14-15 (KJV) "**14** How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how

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shall they shema (hear) without a proclaimer (preacher)? **15** And how shall they proclaim (preach), except they be sent? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that proclaim (preach) the besorah (Good News) of shalom (peace), and bring besorah (Good News) of tov (Good) things!"

The Shield of Faith

We cannot see the shield of faith. Our shield is Yahshua! We must have faith (or trust) in Him and the Word of Promise He as given us!

Genesis 15:1-6 "1 After these things the word of YHWH (Yahweh) came to Avram (Abram) in a vision, saying, **Fear not, Avram (Abram): I am your shield, and your exceeding great reward.** 2 And Avram (Abram) said, **Sovereign YHWH (Yahweh), what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my bayit (house) is this Eliezer of Dameshek (Damascus)?** 3 And Avram (Abram) said, **See, to me You have given no zera (seed, sperm): and, see, one born in my bayit (house) is my heir.** 4 And, see, the word of YHWH (Yahweh) came to him, saying, **This shall not be your heir; but he that shall come out of your own bowels shall be your heir.** 5 And he brought him out abroad, and said, **Look now toward the shamayim (heaven), and count the chochavim (stars), if you are able to number them:** and He said to him, **So shall your zera (seed, sperm) be.** 6 And he believed in the Word of YHWH (Yahweh); and He counted it to him for tzedakah (righteousness)."

Psalm

Psalm 28:7 "YHWH (Yahweh) is My strength and My shield; my lev (heart) trusted in Him, and I am helped: therefore my lev (heart) has great gilah (rejoice); and with my shir (song) will I hallel (praise) Him."

Ephesians

Ephesians 6:16 "Above all, taking the shield of emunah (faith), with which you shall be able to quench all the fiery arrows of the wicked one."

The Psalmist describe many times that God is our shield. Look also at **Psalm 3:3; 18:35; 33:20; 59:11** and many more!

The Helmet of Salvation

Upon the helmet of salvation is the inscription "Holiness to the YHWH (Yahweh)" or "Holy Unto YHWH (Yahweh)".

It is called a miter or a signet ring that's on the top of the High Priest.

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Exodus 28:36-38 "36 And you shall make a plate of pure gold, and grave upon it, like the engravings of a signet, Kadosh-Le-YHWH (HOLINESS TO YHWH). 37 And you shall put it on a blue lace that it may be upon the turban; upon the forefront of the turban it shall be. 38 And it shall be upon Aharon's (Aaron's) forehead, that Aharon (Aaron) may bear the iniquity of the kadosh (holy) things, which the children of Yisrael (Israel) shall set-apart in all their kadosh (holy) gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead, that they may be accepted before YHWH (Yahweh)."

Isaiah

Isaiah 59:17a "For He put on tzedakah (righteousness) as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation upon his head;"

Ephesians

Ephesians 6:17 "And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Ruach (Spirit), which is the word of YHWH (Yahweh):"

Ezekiel 9:3-6a "3 And the tiferet (glory) of the Elohim (Mighty One/God) of Yisrael (Israel) was gone up from the cheruv (cherub), where it had been, to the threshold of the Bayit (house). And he called to the Man clothed with linen, whose loins were girded with sephiroth (writer's inkhorn/writing case); 4 And YHWH (Yahweh) said to him, **Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Yahrushalayim (Jerusalem), and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that are done in the midst of it.** 5 And to the others He said in the hearing, **Follow him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have any pity:** 6 **Slay utterly old and young, both maidens, and little children, and women: but come not near any man who has the mark;**"

The Sword Of The Spirit

Just as we cannot see the shield of faith, we cannot see the sword of the Spirit!

The sword of the Spirit is the Word of Yahweh --- which is written on our hearts and our minds as a part of the renewed covenant (**Hebrews 8:8-12; Jeremiah 31:31-34!**)

Deuteronomy 33:29 "Favored are you, O Yisrael (Israel): who is like you, O people saved by YHWH (Yahweh), the Shield of your help, who is the Sword of Your Excellency! And your enemies shall be found to be liars to you; and you shall tread down their high places."

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Isaiah

Isaiah 49:2 "And he has made My mouth like a sharp arrow; in the shadow of His hand has He hidden me, and made Me a polished shaft; in His quiver has He hidden Me;"

Ephesians

Ephesians 6:17-18 "17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Ruach (Spirit), which is the word of YHWH (Yahweh): 18 Making tefillot (prayer) always with all intercession and supplication in the Ruach (Spirit), and watching in the Ruach (Spirit) with all endurance and petitions for all the kidushim (saints);"

Isaiah 11:4 "But with tzedakah (righteousness) shall He sofet (judge) the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth: and He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall He slay the wicked."

Hebrews 4:12 (KJV) "For the word of YHWH (Yahweh) is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing between the being and ruach (spirit), and between the joints and marrow and bone, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the lev (heart)."

Have you guessed what the full armor of Yahweh looks like as depicted by the Hebrew Scriptures and not by a Roman guard?

To put on the full armor of Yahweh is to put on the garments of the Priesthood as described by the Torah!

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The Golden Garments (8th) of the Kohen Gadol Shemot 28:4:42

