

Applications:

TEXT: Ephesians 6:10-20

TITLE: "Standing Strong in 2024"

Several troubling things of 2023 tell us we need the wisdom and strength of the Lord for 2024!

What will a new year hold? We have confusion in the world of government, education, religion, politics and medicine. What should a born-again, Bible believing Christian do?

→ Ephesians 6:10 gives a clear command to "be s_____ in the Lord!"

--The strength is "in the Lord"

--The strength is in "his m_____ p_____"

--The strength is not in ourselves!

→ HOW TO STAND STRONG IN 2024:

1. USE A _____ GOD'S A _____

* Ephesians 6:11

A. The overarching instruction is "put on the whole armor of God!"

B. The purpose of putting on the armor—to stand boldly facing the enemy

2. UNDERSTAND THE E _____ OPPOSITION

A. The enemy has multiple methods = "wiles" = "strategies" = "tactics" = "schemes"

* Ephesians 6:11c

B. The enemy has many minions

* Ephesians 6:12

1. Not against flesh and blood (here is the negative—NOT THIS!)

2. But against R_____

3. Against A_____

4. Against W_____ Powers of THIS
D_____

5. Against Heavenly S_____
Beings of E_____

**3. APPLY THE A _____ TO THE B _____
SITUATION**

* Ephesians 6:13

A. The purpose is to resist in the day of temptation—"day of evil"

B. The purpose is to remain standing!!

4. UTILIZE E _____ P _____ OF THE ARMOR

* Ephesians 6:14-17

A. Put on the Belt of T_____

B. Attach the Breastplate of R_____

C. Put on the Shoes of Readiness for the G_____

D. Take Up the Shield of F_____

E. Wear the Helmet of S_____

F. G_____ and Wield the S_____ of the
Spirit

5. PRACTICE P _____

* Ephesians 6:18-20

A. Through all T_____ : prayer and supplication

B. In all T_____ : convenient, inconvenient, crisis, normal times!

C. With all T_____ : alertness and staying at it

D. For all THEISTS: pray for the S_____,
the Church, God's People

E. For Gospel T_____ : Ambassadors of
the Cross, especially persecuted

