

Series Title: “The Letter of Paul to the Ephesians”

**“The Power & Protection of Believers” Part 1**

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**A. Review**

**B. “The Power & Protection of Believers” Part 1**

- **Ephesians 6:10**

1. Finally (3063) = **as to the rest, in conclusion**, finally.
2. Be strong (***continuously***) [PIM-present imperative= be being strong] (1743); to be strengthened; to become strong.
  - In the Lord.
  - In the strength or KJV says power (2904) [kratos] = power that is a part of the nature of God. It is inherent power and ability.
  - Of His might (2479) [ischus] = the two words together means=the strength that has prevailed manifestly and demonstratively, translated “mighty power” and “power of His might.”

**C. How am I going to continuously be strong in the Lord and the power of His might?**

- **Ephesians 6:11 (a)**

➤ By putting on the full armor of God.

❖ **2 Corinthians 7:1** (Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all defilement of flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.)

❖ **Romans 13:11-14** (Therefore let us lay aside the deeds of darkness and **put on the armor of light**.<sup>13</sup> Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and sensuality, not in strife and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>**But put on the Lord Jesus Christ**, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.)

❖ **James 4:8** (<sup>8</sup> Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.)

❖ **Nehemiah 8:8-12** ( <sup>10</sup> Then he said to them, “Go, eat of the fat, drink of the sweet, and send portions to him who has nothing prepared; for this day is holy to our Lord. Do not be grieved, for **the joy of the LORD is your strength**.”)

**D. Why do I need to be continuously be strong in the Lord and the power of His might?**

- So that you will be able to stand firm against the wiles, schemes, strategies, or methods (*methodeias*) of the devil.

➤ **2 Corinthians 4:1-18**

➤ **2 Corinthians 5:7** (<sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by <sup>[a]</sup>sight—  
) [Or *appearance*]

➤ **2 Corinthians 10:3-5** (<sup>4</sup> For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)<sup>5</sup> Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;)

**E. Closure**