

"BOOTS FOR THE BATTLE"

(The Armor of God Series - Four)

<u>Introduction</u>: There are <u>{seven</u>} pieces in the spiritual armor! The third is *"feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace"* (Ephesians 6:15)!

I. WHAT ARE THE SOLDIER'S **BOOTS**?

- 1. These special boots were used for {<u>defense</u>}!
- <u>Note</u>: These {<u>cleats</u>} keep soldiers from slipping, sliding, or stumbling, but "*standing*"! (John 16:33 / Isaiah 43:1-3a)
 - 2. These special boots were used for {<u>offense</u>}! (*Matthew 16:18*)

Note: Believers are to be {attacking the kingdom of Satan}. (Mark 16:15)

II. WHAT ARE THE PURPOSES FOR THE BOOTS?

*Ephesians 6:15 *I Peter 3:15

<u>Note</u>: The word "preparation" means "readiness"

1. To bring sinners into {peace with God}

*Romans 5:1 *Matthew 5:9 *II Corinthians 5:19-20 *Jude 23

2. To help believers live in the {peace of God}

*Galatians 6:1 *James 5:19-20 *Romans 10:13-15

3. To help {<u>the soldier</u>} have the peace of God

*I Peter 5:7-9 *Acts 8:26-31 *Acts 8:35

<u>Conclusion</u>: God wants every believer {<u>able</u>} and {<u>available</u>}!