

MasterLife

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

Pray in Faith

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1. 門徒就是一個跟從耶穌的人。 A disciple is a person who follows Jesus.
2. 門徒訓練的目的就是過一個以基督為中心的生活。 The purpose of discipleship is to live a Christ-centered life.

Mark your calendar

- Prayer Workshop: **October 1**, Saturday, 8-12 am.
- Scripture Test: **October 2**, Sunday, class time.

Homework Evaluation

- It's an honor system
 - You grade yourself.
 - Make sure you read through and complete the daily activities.
 - Follow the instructions I-Shen sent you.
 - Be honest.

Disciple's Victory

- Week 1: Overcoming the Enemy
- Week 2: Truth and Faith
- Week 3: Rely on God's Word
- **Week 4: Pray in Faith**
- Week 5: Look to Jesus
- Week 6: Stand Victorious

Pray in Faith

1. Claiming God's promises
2. God communicates truth
3. Turning to God first
4. Leading you in faith
5. Communicate your faith

As a result of last week's study, you should be able to...

- 1. Identify occasions when you have linked prayer and God's word;**
- 2. List three stages in making a covenant with God;**
- 3. List six steps in praying in faith;**
- 4. Select a problem or a need about which you want to pray in faith.**

Three stages in making a covenant with God

1. Stage 1: God reveals his will and makes a promise to you. 神向你顯明他的旨意。
2. Stage 2: You meet the conditions God established. 你達到神所要求的條件。
3. Stage 3: You believes in God and receives the blessing. 你相信神並接受祝福。

Six steps for praying in faith

- God communicates truth to you:
 1. Abide in Christ. 住在基督裡
 2. Abide in the word. 住在神的話語中
 3. Allow the Holy Spirit to lead you in truth. 讓聖靈引導你進入真理

- You communicate faith to God:
- 4. Ask according to God's will. 照著神的旨意祈求。
- 5. Accept God's will in faith. 憑信心接受神的旨意。
- 6. Act on the basis of God's word to you. 根據神的話語來行動。

Six steps of praying in faith

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- **Your greatest concern as a Christian disciple is to find and do God's will.**
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Knowing God's Will by Warren Wang

- **The basis of knowing God's will**
 1. Active faith 活潑的信心
 2. Obedient heart 順服的心志
 3. Internalized Word 內住的話語
 4. Matured judgment 成熟的判斷
- **The conditions of knowing God's will**
 5. Prompting of the Spirit 聖靈的感動
 6. Agreement of the church 教會的同意
 7. Opened doors 開放的門路

1. Active faith: I live by faith, not by sight. That's how I operate.

- For we live by faith, not by sight. (2 Cor. 5:7)
- But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. (James 1:6)
- 因我們行事為人 是憑著信心，不是憑著眼見。
林後5:7
- 只要憑著信心求，一點不疑惑；因為那疑惑的人，就像海中的波浪，被風吹動翻騰。雅各書
1:6

2. Obedient heart: I choose to do God's will no matter what.

– Anyone who chooses to do the will of God will find out whether my teaching comes from God or whether I speak on my own. *John 7:17*

• Which one of the following will know God's will:

- 1) Lord, I'm willing to be whatever you want me to be...as long as it's not a missionary.
- 2) Lord, I'm willing to be a missionary...as long as it's in the United States.
- 3) Lord, I'm here, send me. I don't have "as long as." Just send me.

3. Internalized Word: I have a good storage of God's word inside of me.

- If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. *John 15:7*
- 你們若常在我裡面，我的話也常在你們裡面，凡你們所願意的，祈求就給你們成就。(約15:7)

4. Matured judgment: My senses are matured enough to make sound judgment.

- But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil. (Hebrews 5:14)
- 惟獨長大成人的才能吃乾糧；他們的心竅習練得通達，就能分辨好歹了。希伯來書5:14

5. Prompting of the Spirit 聖靈的感動

- While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.” (Acts 13:2)
- Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. (Matt. 4:1)
- 他們事奉主、禁食的時候，聖靈說：「要為我分派巴拿巴和掃羅，去做我召他們所做的工。」 (徒13:2)
- 當時，耶穌被聖靈引到曠野，受魔鬼的試探。(太4:1)

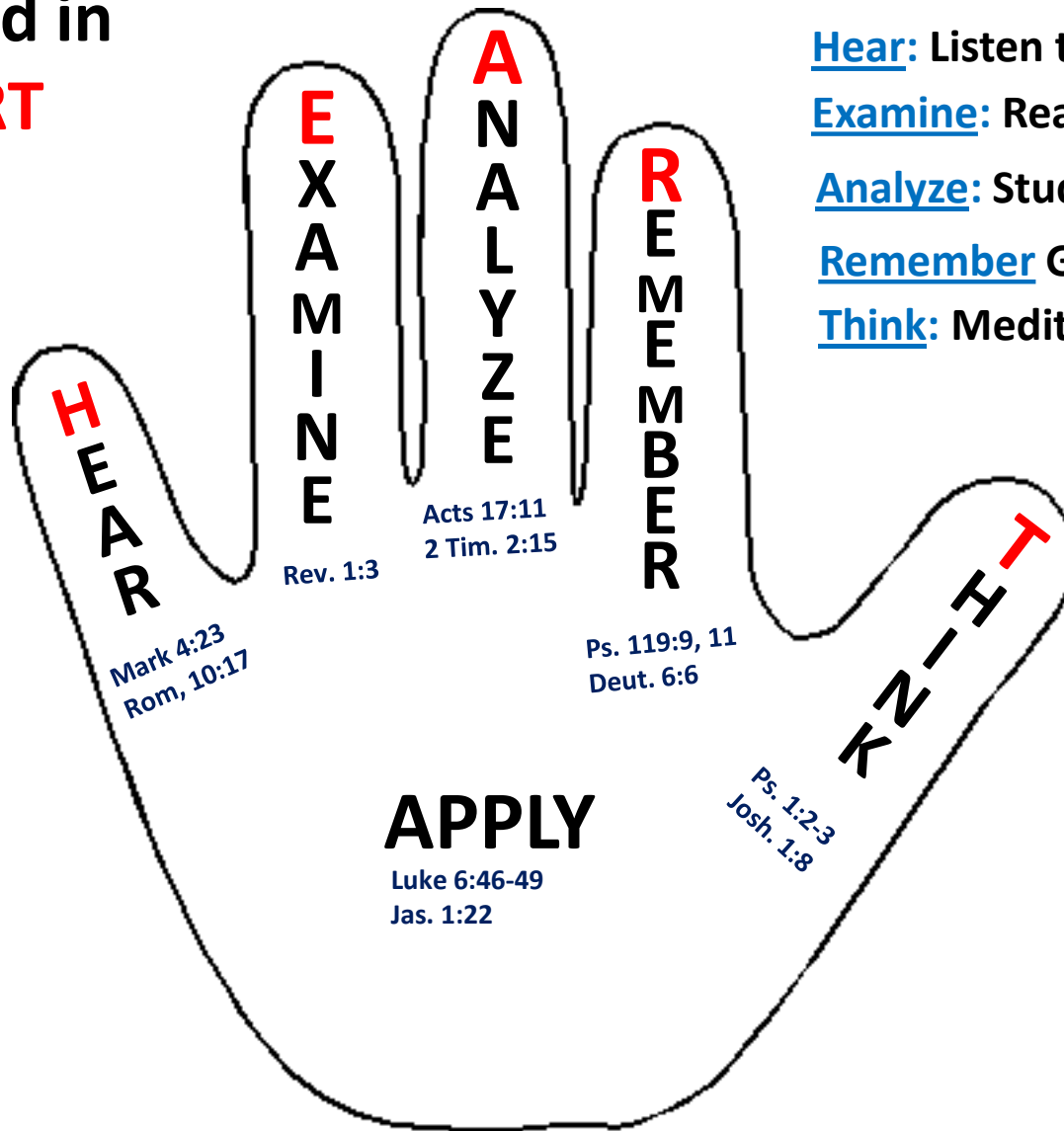
6. Agreement of the church 教會的同意

- Then the apostles and elders, with the whole church, decided to choose some of their own men and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They chose Judas (called Barsabbas) and Silas, men who were leaders among the believers. (Acts 15:22)
- 那時，使徒和長老並全教會定意從他們中間揀選人，差他們和保羅、巴拿巴同往安提阿去；所揀選的就是稱呼巴撒巴的猶大和西拉。這兩個人在弟兄中是作首領的。(徒15:22)

7. Opened doors: I'm sensitive to the doors God has opened for me.

- And I pray that now at last by God's will the way may be opened for me to come to you. (Romans 1:10)
- 在禱告之間常常懇求，或者照神的旨意，終能得平坦的道路往你們那裏去。羅馬書1:10

God's Word in your **HEART** and **Hand**



Hear: Listen to God's Word

Examine: Read God's Word

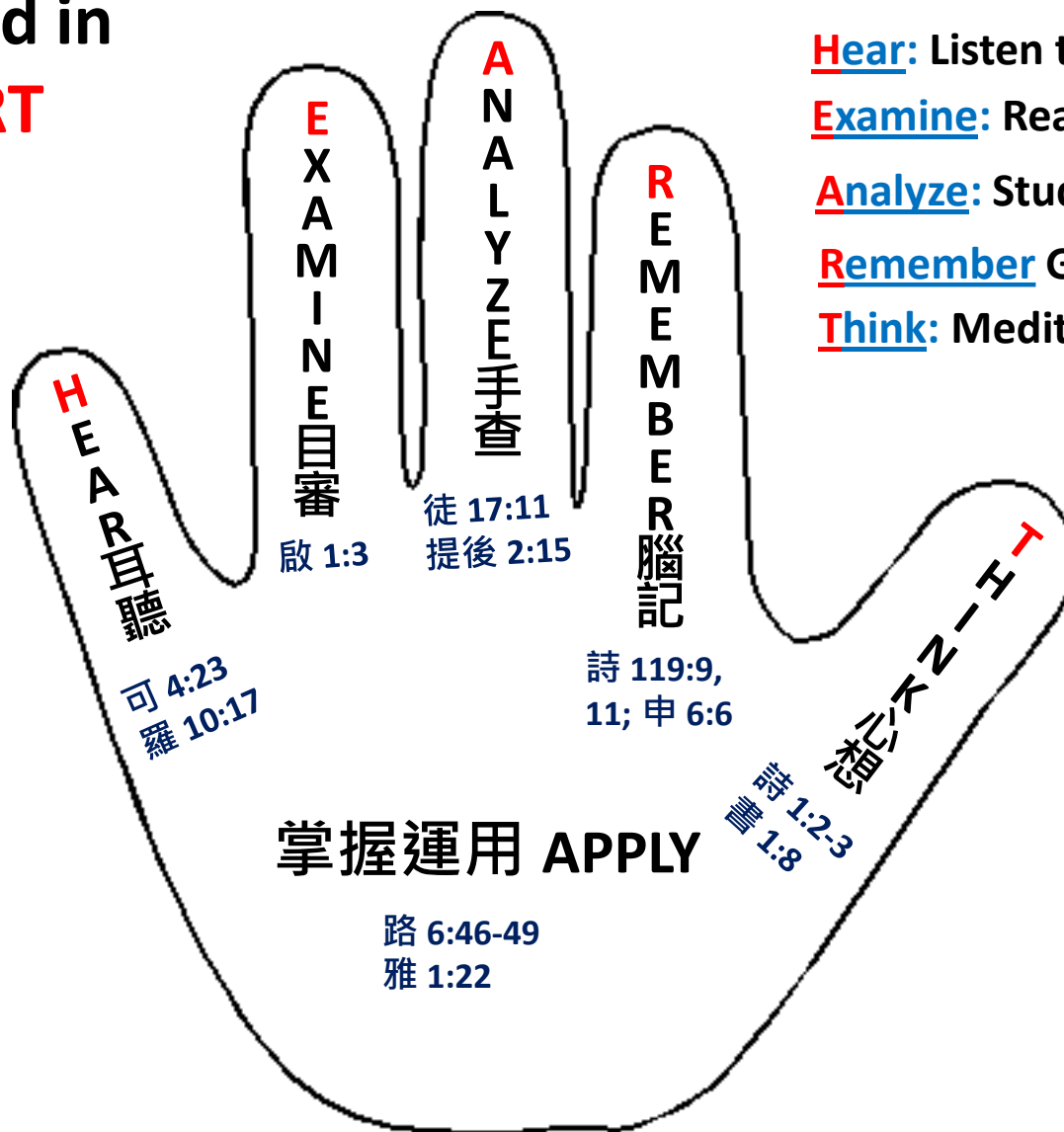
Analyze: Study God's Word

Remember God's Word

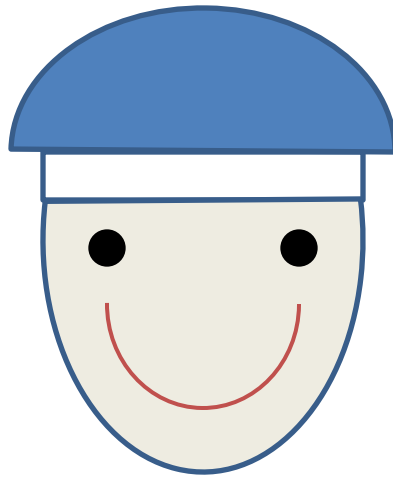
Think: Meditate on God's Word

God's Word in your **HEART** and **Hand**

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目審
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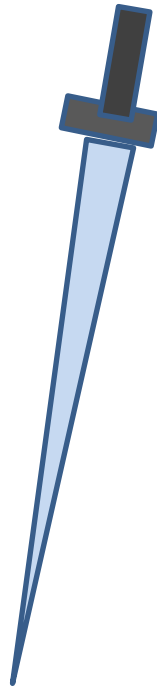
Put on the Helmet of Salvation

1. **Put on your Identity:** Thank God that you are his child.
2. **Put on your assurance:** Praise God for your eternal life.
3. **Put on the mind of Christ:** Claim the mind of Christ.



Put on the Breastplate of Righteousness

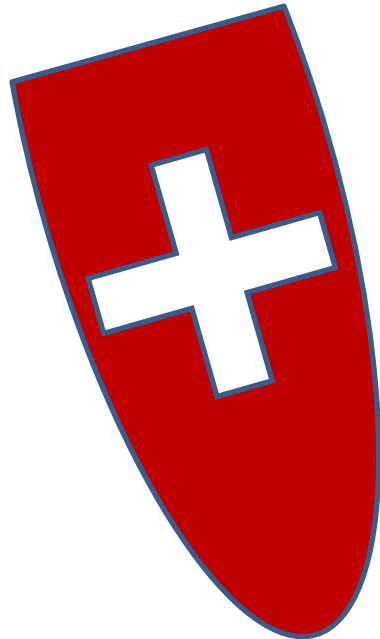
1. **Put on a “heart search”**: Ask God to search your heart to reveal any wicked way in it.
2. **Put on your confession**: Confess any sin.
3. **Put on Christ’s righteousness**: Claim Christ’s righteousness to cover your sins and to give you right standing with him.



**Put on the
Sword of Spirit—
The Word of God**

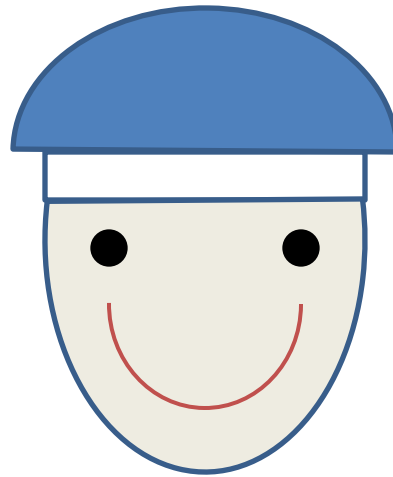
1. **Put on a grasp on the Word:** Hold it to your HEART.
2. **Put on the Holy Spirit to use the Word:** It is His sword.
3. **Put on a basis to your prayers :** Base your prayers on God's Word.

Put on the Shield of Faith

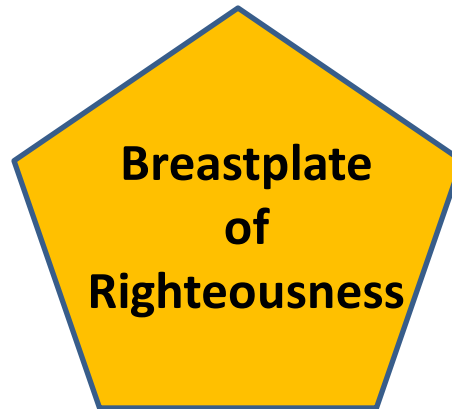


1. **Put on a winning attitude**: Claim the victory by faith.
2. **Put on your steps**: Faith without works is dead. Walk the talk. Just do it.
3. **Put on the defense**: D-E-F-E-N-D! Quench all of the fiery darts from Satan by faith.

The Spiritual Armor of God

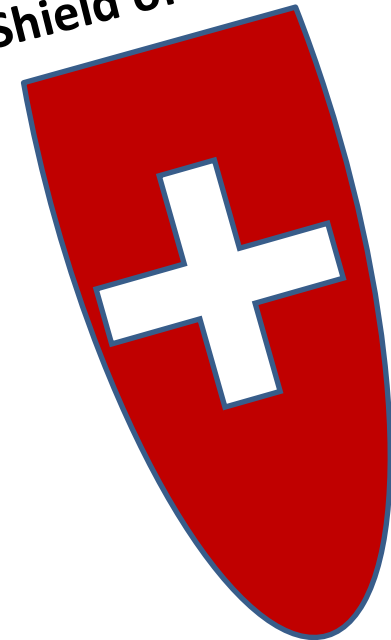


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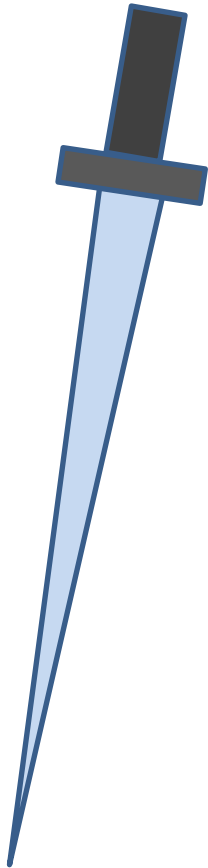


Breastplate
of
Righteousness

Shield of Faith



Sword
of
Spirit -
the
Word
of God



Next week's assignment

- Complete “my walk with the Master” on page 83.
- **Show God's love to someone every day this week.**
- Share with someone “God's word in your HEART and hand.”
- Use guide to intercession during your prayer time.
- Memorize Ephesians 6:18.
- List the names of unsaved persons. Pray for them.
- Learn “the gospel shoes.”
- Review “the helmet of salvation,” “the breastplate of righteousness,” “the sword of the Spirit,” and “the shield of faith.”

Small Group Time

1. Check each other's "my walk with the Master this week."
2. Share the names of persons you include in your relational-witness charts.
3. Brainstorm reasons why God does not always answer the way we want him to.
4. Quote 1 John 5:14-15 to each other.
5. Practice:
 - 1) Explain "the spiritual armor" to each other.
 - 2) Explain "God's word in your Heart and Hand."
6. Pray with praise and thanksgiving.