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**Ephesians 6:10-14a**



## **Ephesians 6:10-14 (NASB95)**

**<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil.**



## Ephesians 6:10-14 (NASB95)

<sup>12</sup> For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual *forces* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.



## **Ephesians 6:10-14 (NASB95)**

<sup>13</sup> Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.



## **Ephesians 6:10-14 (NASB95)**

**<sup>14</sup> Stand firm therefore,  
*having girded your loins with  
truth, and having put on the  
breastplate of righteousness.***



## **2 Corinthians 16:8-9 (NASB95)**


**<sup>8</sup> But I will remain in Ephesus until Pentecost; <sup>9</sup> for a wide door for effective service has opened to me, and there are many adversaries.**





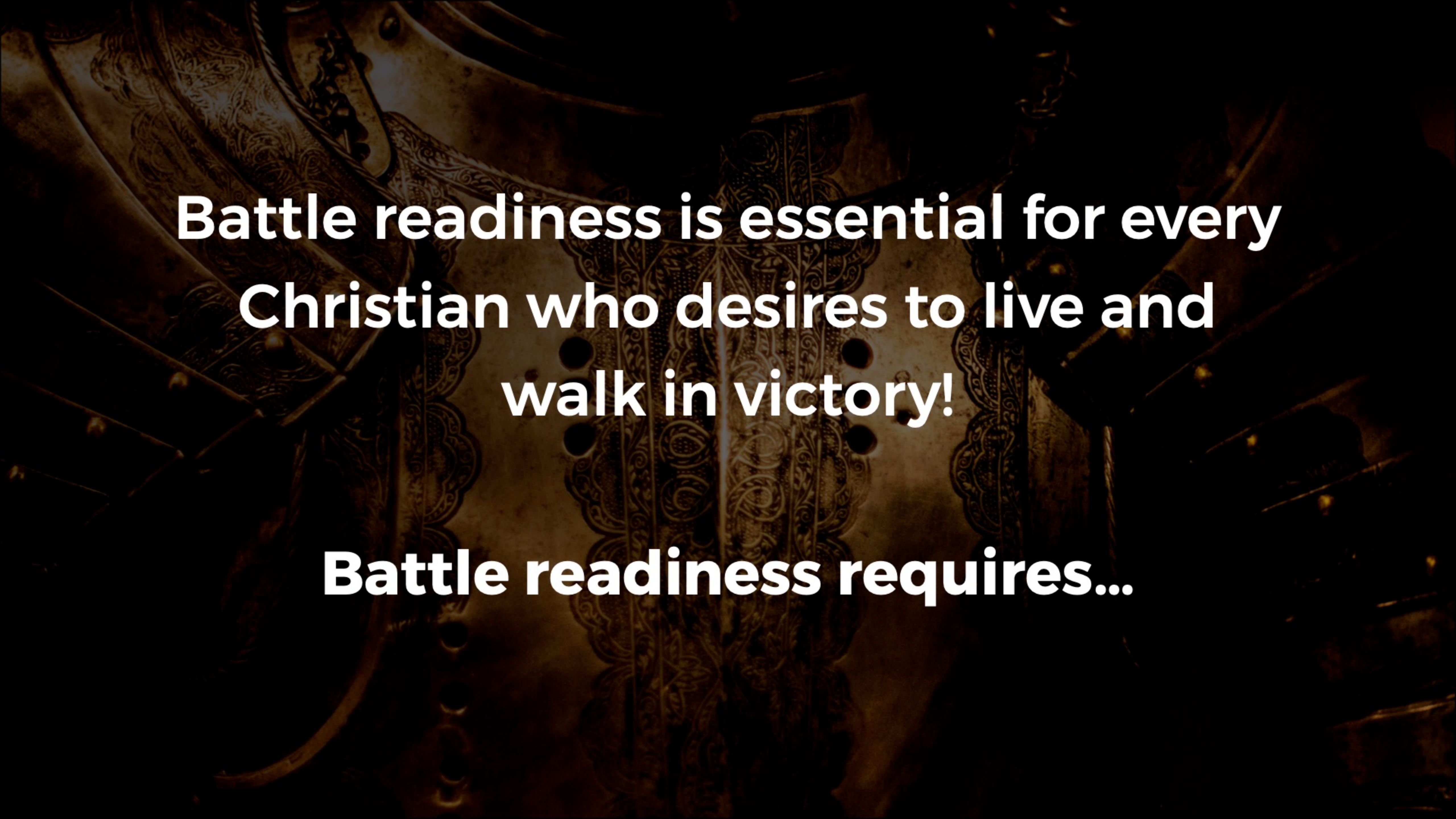
**Paul encouraged the Ephesians  
to be battle ready.**





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**You must depend on the Lord!**  
**(verse 10)**





*Translation.*

“Finally, be constantly strengthened  
in the Lord and in the active efficacy  
of the might that is inherent in Him.”

– *Kenneth Wuest*





## **Philippians 4:13**

**I can do all things through Him  
who strengthens me.**



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## **1 Thessalonians 5:24**

**Faithful is He who calls you, and  
He also will bring it to pass.**





## 2 Thessalonians 3:3

But the Lord is faithful, and He  
will strengthen and protect you  
from the evil *one*.



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**You must depend on the  
Lord's resources!  
(verses 11 & 13)**





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**You must recognize your enemy!**  
**(verse 12)**





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**You must be ready daily!**  
**(verse 13)**





## **Romans 13:12 (NIV)**

**The night is nearly over; the day  
is almost here. So let us put aside  
the deeds of darkness and put  
on the armor of light.**



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**You must resolve to stand firm!**  
**(verse 13b-14a)**





## 1 Thessalonians 3:8

For now we *really* live, if you  
stand firm in the Lord.



## 2 Thessalonians 2:15

So then, brethren, stand firm and  
hold to the traditions which you  
were taught, whether by word of  
*mouth* or by letter from us.





**Four imperative  
commands in this text**

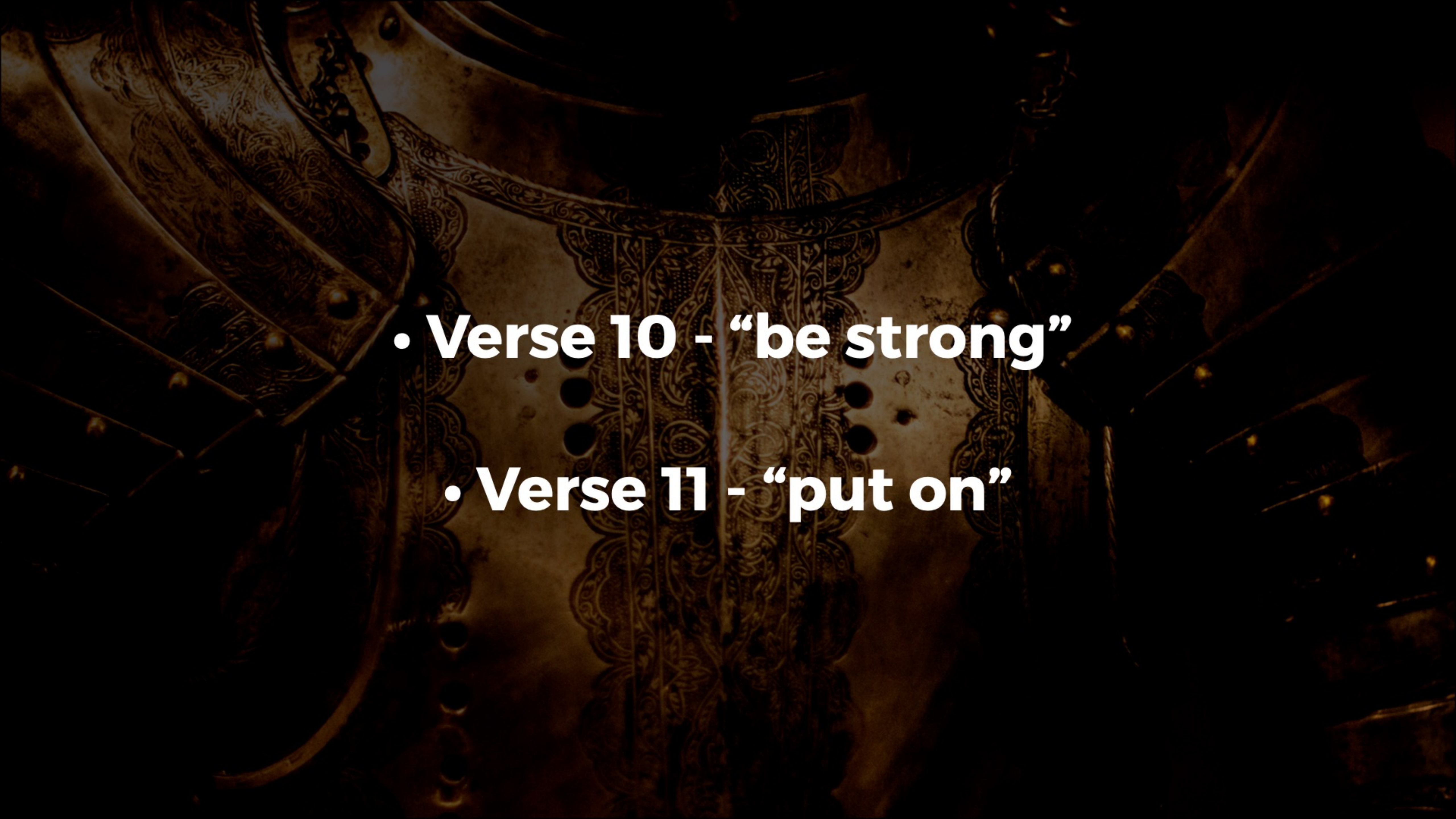






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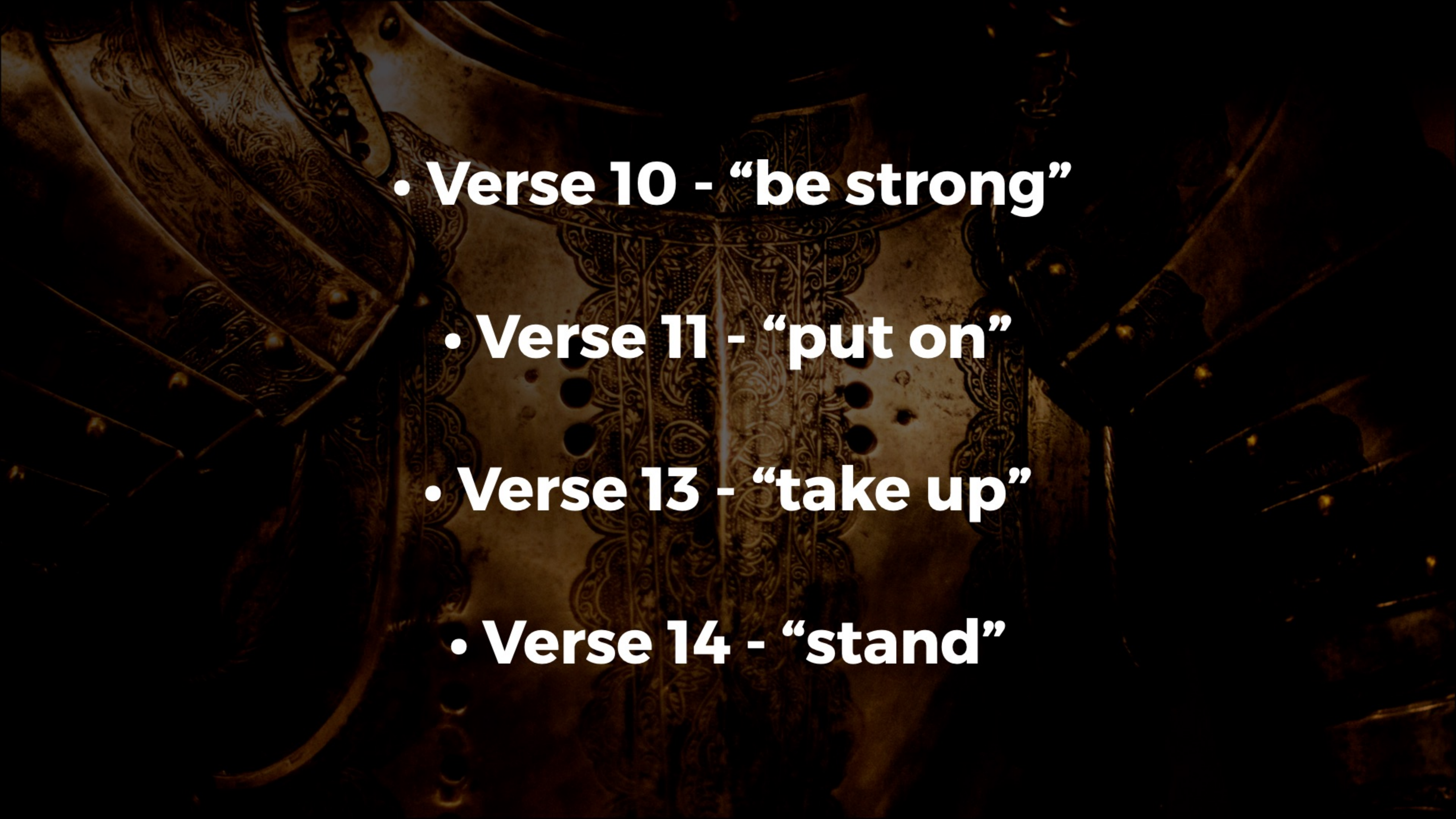


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- **Verse 14 - “stand”**



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