

Connect

A philosopher once said, “Peace is the only battle worth waging.”

What is the truth or untruth in that statement? (Matthew 10:34)

Verses - Ephesians 6:15 (CSB)

and your feet sandaled with readiness for the gospel of peace.

Study

1. If we think of the “full armor of God” as being various protections that Christians may receive from God, and should take up, in preparation for the evil day, to help us to stand against the schemes of the devil,

   then…

   a) What is the “gospel of peace” to which Paul refers to?
   (2 Corinthians 5:18-19; Romans 5:10; John 3:16)

   b) How do you understand “readiness” (being ready) for the gospel of peace?
   (Acts 2:24,37-42; Romans 1:16-17, 1 Peter 3:15)

   c) Why do you suppose Paul associates gospel-readiness with feet?
   (Isaiah 52:7, Romans 10:15; Matthew 28:19)

   d) How does readiness help us to “take our stand” on the evil day (Eph 6:13-14)?
   (2 Corinthians 10:3-5; Matthew 10:19-20, 26-28; James 4:7-10; Colossians 1:23)

APPLY

Since we are always on the move, where and when should we share the gospel of peace *in peace*? Notice Paul often spoke in synagogues and meeting places that religious discussions were being made. (cf. Acts 13:5; 14:1, 19:8) Where are the best places today to share the gospel, especially in our daily lives?

DISCUSS

Can our feet be “sandaled with readiness for the gospel of peace “(v. 15) before we can wear the belt of truth and put on righteousness like armor on our chest ?
(Romans 1:16-17, Hebrews 11:6, 1 Corinthians 1:18-24)

Share

Have you been a part of a conversation that led to an unintentional/unexpected gospel presentation? Can you think of any?

Grow

Based on today’s lesson, in prayer: What might you be able to confess? What can you praise God for who He is? What can you thank Him for? Finally, take prayer requests and pray for each other. Have someone pray the Lord’s Prayer before closing.