

## OVERVIEW

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We are engaged in a cosmic battle against the spiritual forces of evil. Though our adversary is strong, our Savior is stronger and the ultimate victor. If we, as the church, put on the full armor of God, stand firm in our faith, and pray in the Spirit, we will overcome whatever difficulty we may face. Onward, Christian soldiers!

## OHANA TIME!

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**Icebreaker:** What were some of your (or your kids') favorite dress-up costumes?

**Ohana Time! Arts & Crafts** – Create the armor of God (ex. paint, papier Mache, origami).

## PRAYER

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**Pray in groups of 2-3:** Pray over one another to put on each part of the full armor of God.

**Pray in a large group:** Pray that we, as the church, may be able to put on the full armor of God and pray fervently in the Spirit to stand our ground against any activity of the devil's schemes.

## BIBLE: READ EPHESIANS 6:10-20

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1. From his prison cell awaiting trial, Paul sees a battle raging (verse 12). What is this battle? What is it over?
2. "Our battle is not against flesh or blood" (verse 12). What happens when our focus and efforts are misguided and not focused on our real enemy?
3. How many times do you see the word "stand" appear in verses 11-14? What does it mean to "stand firm in the faith?"
4. What are the six armors for the Christian? Which of these are offensive weapons? Defensive weapons?
5. Why is it important for you to put on the "full armor" of God? What happens when you are missing a piece of armor?
6. As Christians, we make a daily decision to "put off" our former way of life and "put on" our new self in Christ. Similarly, why is it important for us to "put on" the full armor of God daily?
7. According to verses 18-20, what kind of attitude should we have as we face these forces? Why is prayer indispensable in our battle against evil?

## APPLICATION

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1. If you had to compare your spiritual armor to this list, where are you strong? Weak? What do you need to do to prepare for battle? What is at stake if you don't?
2. Putting on the armor of God is done in community. Armor usually required helpers to strap on. As an Ohana Group, how can you help one another put on the full armor of God?
3. What evidence do you see of the battle in your life? Think of different areas of your life (ex. your family, church, school, community, nation, and the world). What would it mean for you "to stand" in these particular battlefields? How can you pray over these battlefields?