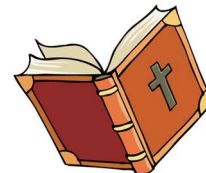


Armour of God

Don't forget to share what you have been doing on the GodZone Facebook group!



Bible Reading



This week we are going to be learning about the armour of God. Read all about it here,

Finally, build up your strength in union with the Lord and by means of his mighty power. Put on all the armour that God gives you, so that you will be able to stand up against the Devil's evil tricks. For we are not fighting against human beings but against the wicked spiritual forces in the heavenly world, the rulers, authorities, and cosmic powers of this dark age. So put on God's armour now! Then when the evil day comes, you will be able to resist the enemy's attacks; and after fighting to the end, you will still hold your ground.

So stand ready, with truth as a belt tight round your waist, with righteousness as your breastplate, 15and as your shoes the readiness to announce the Good News of peace. At all times carry faith as a shield; for with it you will be able to put out all the burning arrows shot by the Evil One. And accept salvation as a helmet, and the word of God as the sword which the Spirit gives you. Do all this in prayer, asking for God's help. Pray on every occasion, as the Spirit leads. For this reason keep alert and never give up; pray always for all God's people.

Ephesians 6v10-18



Big Questions



1. Why do you think they are called the **armour** of God?
2. Discuss each of the pieces of armour and what they are used for. This is a helpful guide - http://www.dltk-bible.com/cv/armor_of_god.htm

As it says in the above link, the armour of God can't be seen, but putting it on is like having a secret super power! With Jesus living in us then the armour will help us in difficult situations. It protects our hearts and our minds, as well as helping us to live in the way that God wants.

3. How could the armour of God help you when you are back at school? Can you think of a time when the sandals of peace would be useful? What about the shield of faith?



Songs



God Suit On - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4dTFJxNM28>

Our God is a Great Big God - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BysuOpOWmkg>



Prayer



We should 'put on' the armour of God each morning to protect and help us through the day. Say this prayer together and add some actions to put on the full armour of God.

Kid's Prayer

Jesus, today I put on the Helmet of Savation.

Please protect my mind from bad thoughts and help me to focus on things that are good.

Please protect my eyes and keep them looking up to you.

I put on the Breastplate of Righteousness.

Guard my heart, make everything that comes in or out of my heart good to you. Help my heart be open to you and easily led by the Holy Spirit.

I put on the belt of truth.

Help me love the truth. Love to tell the truth and hear the truth. Lord, make me more like you. Let truth keep me from lies and mistakes.

I put on the gospel shoes of readiness.

Everywhere I go Lord, help me bring peace. Help me be peaceful. Guide what I do and where I go. Prepare me to tell other people about you.

I put on the shield of faith.

Build a strong faith in me. With faith, all things are possible. Protect me from any attacks from the enemy.

I pick up the sword of the spirit.

Put your word in my heart. Lead me and guide me so I am good at all I do. Let your word change my character. Give me boldness and knowledge to love and defend others.

Amen.

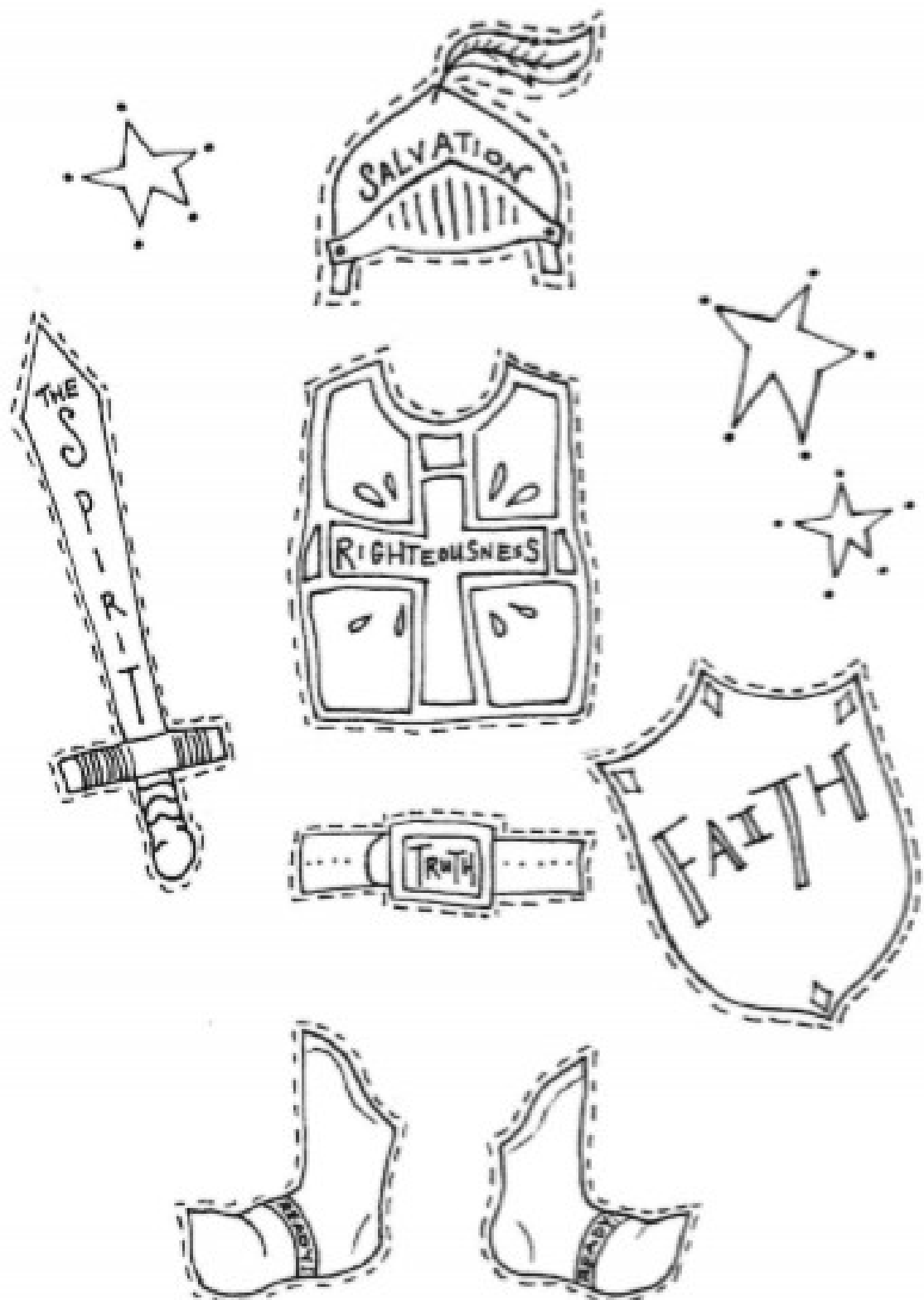


Craft



Use what you have around your house to make one of the pieces of armour. You could use a cardboard box, paper, newspaper, material or something like a belt or hat that you could adapt. There are some ideas below to help you or an alternative craft. I would love to see what you have made so please post it on our facebook group.

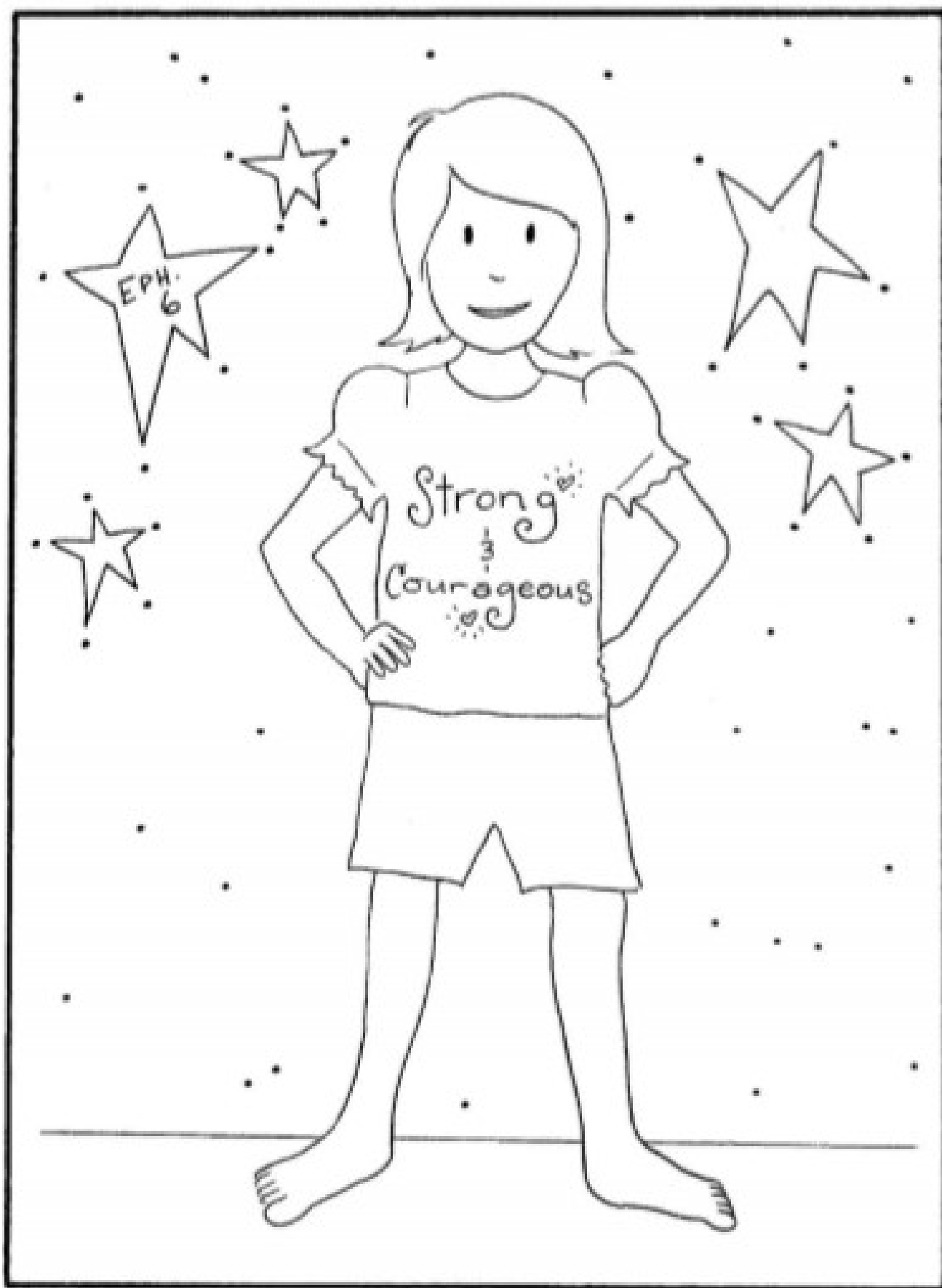






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