

The Armor of God: Gospel Boots

Text: Ephesians 6:15

Putting on the boots of the Gospel will help you to....

1. _____ firm in peace (vs. 15)

- A. Roman soldiers wore boots with nails in them to grip the ground in combat. The gospel of peace pertains to the good news that, through Christ, believers are at peace with God and He is on their side (Rom. 5:6–10). It is that confidence of divine support which allows the believer to stand firm, knowing that since he is at peace with God, and God is his strength (see Rom. 8:31, 37–39). (John MacArthur Study Bible)
- B. Romans 5:1 (ESV) Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2. _____ ready to share the Gospel (vs. 15)

- A. The greek word for readiness (hetoimasia) means to “be prepared,” or, “to put or keep in a state of readiness.”
- B. Paul appears to be making a connection to Isaiah 52:7, which reinforces that the Christian should be ready at all times to share the Good News: Isaiah 52:7 (ESV) How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, “Your God reigns.”

3. _____ the Gospel of peace (v. 15)

- A. The Gospel message, when received, puts the sinner at peace with God and others.
- B. Who do you know that could use the peace of God today?

Prayer Prompt - “God, help me today to put on the shoes of the Gospel, to stand firm in the peace I have with you in Christ. Bless me to be ready today to share the Gospel message with anyone, and prompt me when it is time to speak. I pray that others would come into peace with you through your Son Jesus.”