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Rely on the Lord (v. 10)

Power is derived from the Lord – “strong in the Lord”

The power is immeasurable – “strength of His might”

- A power that conquers death (Ephesians 1:19-23)
- A power that overcomes (Zechariah 4:6)
- A power that gives us authority
- A power we get at conversion (Acts 1:8)
- A power not limited by quantity (Revelation 3:8)

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Be ready for the enemy (v. 11)

Always dressed for battle – “full armor of God”

- It is a complete set of armor
- It is spiritual armor for a spiritual battle (2 Cor. 10:3-4)
- It is used for total annihilation (2 Cor. 10:5-6)
- It can not be worn with garment of darkness (Rom 13:12-14)

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Satan doesn't play fair

“schemes of the devil”

- Anger (Ephesians 4:26-27)
- Unforgiveness (2 Corinthians 2:8-11)
- Hypocrisy/Duplicitousness (Acts 5:3)
- God is holding out on you (Genesis 3:5)
- Sexual temptation (1 Thessalonians 4:3)

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Know your enemy (v. 12)

The enemy is not people – “flesh and blood”

The enemy is spiritual wickedness

- The structure
- The dominion
- The character

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Engage in the battle (v. 13)

We must actively seek out the enemy

Our battle is daily – “evil day”

Our victory is sure – “stand”