

*MasterLife*

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

# Rely on God's Word

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# Disciple's Victory

- **Week 1: Overcoming the Enemy**
- **Week 2: Truth and Faith**
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# Rely on God's Word

1. God's reliable Word
2. The basis of all teaching (teaching)
3. Straying from the way (rebuking)
4. Resetting your direction (correcting)
5. Thoroughly equipped (training in righteousness)

**As a result of last week's study, you should be able to...**

- 1. Define the way God's Word equips you to serve him;**
- 2. Study God's Word effectively.**

# The inspired Word of God

- All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting, and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

## 2 Timothy 3:16-17

1. Teaching
2. Rebuking
3. Correcting
4. Training in righteousness

# Teaching

- Bible teaches you sound doctrines (things about God). You need instruction on areas involving doctrinal issues.
- Teaching is constructive. It builds you up with knowledge of God.
- Teaching is preventative. Biblical instruction and guidance are designed to prevent a problem from happening.
- If you are grounded in truth, you have God's word as a point of reference when Satan tempts you to stray.

# Rebuking

- A rebuke is a reproof that brings conviction, an awareness that you have done wrong.
- Scripture rebuke gives you guidance. It makes you aware that you are traveling in the opposite direction you should be going.
- The Lord identifies a weakness in you through his word. Through a verse of the Scripture the Lord seems to say, “Here is the way, turn around and come back.”

# Correcting

- Correcting means “to restore.” The Bible is useful for restoring the direction of your life.
- The Bible is useful not only for people who are going in the opposite direction of God but also for people who strayed from the path.
- God’s correction is motivated by love.
- It would be impossible to be an intimate disciple of Christ if you strayed from the truth.



# Training in righteousness

- The Bible teaches moral character— how to live life rightly.
- As a Christian you are not left to guess which way is right. Again and again the Bible teaches you in practical, day-to-day ways to live.
- Galatians 5:19-26

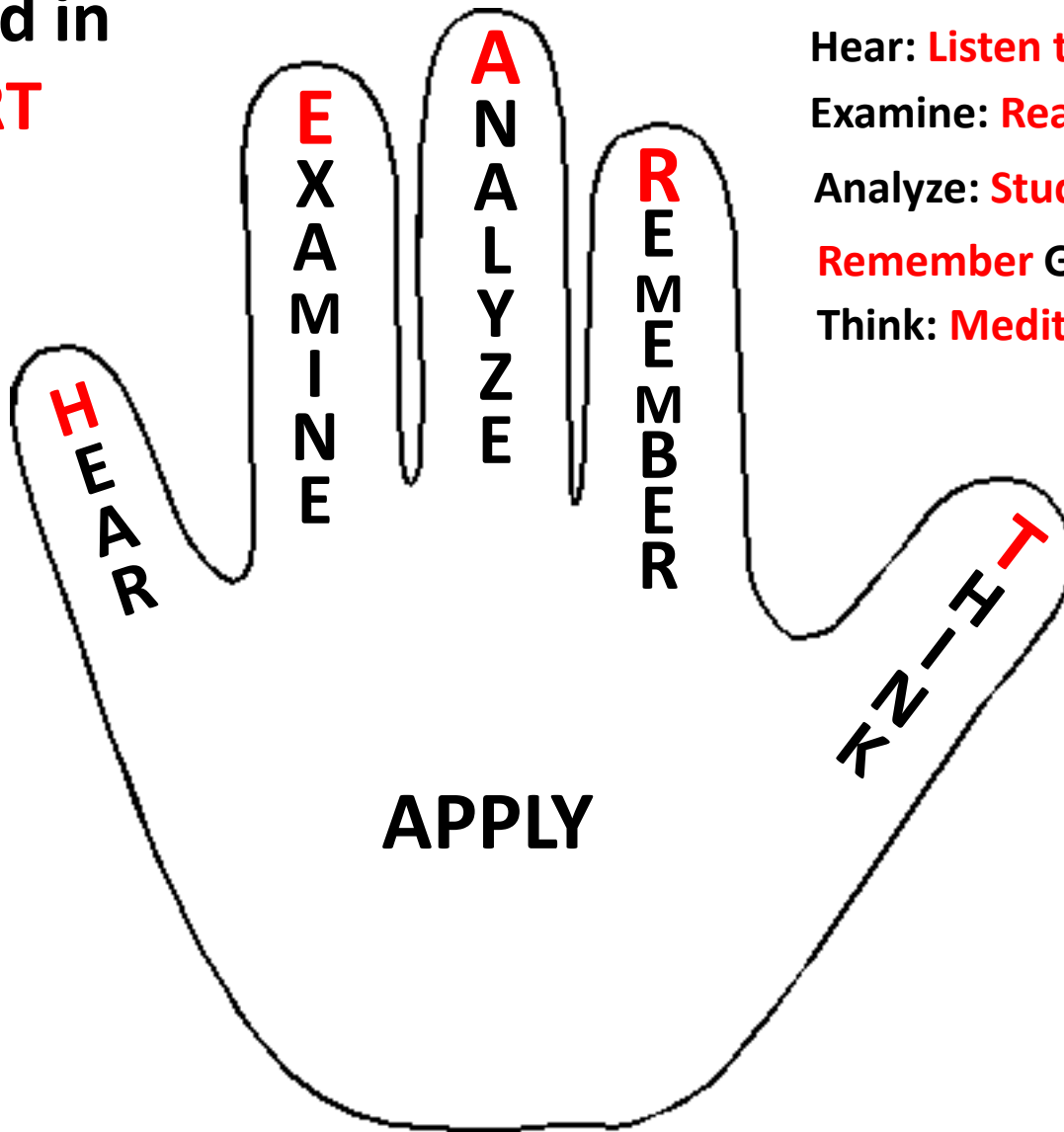
# A Christ-centered Salvation Prayer

- Lord Jesus, I need you. I am a sinner. I want you to be my Savior and my Lord.
- Your death on the cross as the payment for my sins, and I now entrust my life to your care. Thank you for forgiving me and for giving me a new life.
- Please help me grow in my understanding of your love and power so that my life will bring glory and honor to you.
- In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.

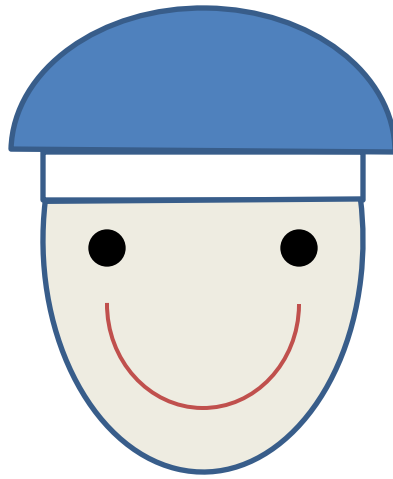
# Guidance to confession and forgiveness

- Forgiveness is God's gift. Confession and repentance are the God-ordained ways to free you from sins.
  1. Ask the Holy Spirit to convict you of sins
  2. Agree with God about the seriousness of your sins (“confession” means “agree with.”)
  3. Acknowledge Christ as the Atoning Sacrifice for your sins
  4. Walk in the light with other Christians
  5. Walk in the light with Christ

# God's Word in your **HEART** and **Hand**



Hear: **Listen to** God's Word  
Examine: **Read** God's Word  
Analyze: **Study** God's Word  
**Remember** God's Word  
Think: **Meditate on** God's Word



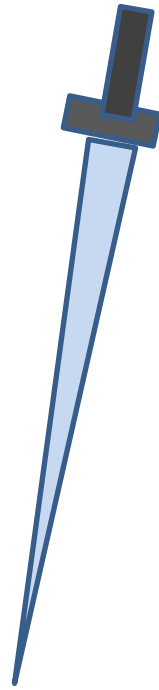
## Put on the Helmet of Salvation

1. **Put on your Identity**: Thank God that you are his child.
2. **Put on your assurance**: Praise God for your eternal life.
3. **Put on the mind of Christ**: Claim the mind of Christ.



## Put on the Breastplate of Righteousness

1. **Put on a “heart search”**: Ask God to search your heart to reveal any wicked way in it.
2. **Put on your confession**: Confess any sin.
3. **Put on Christ’s righteousness**: Claim Christ’s righteousness to cover your sins and to give you right standing with him.

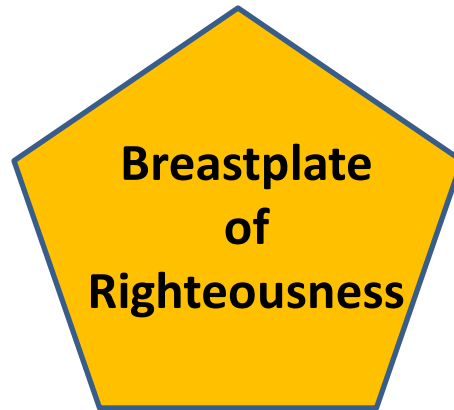
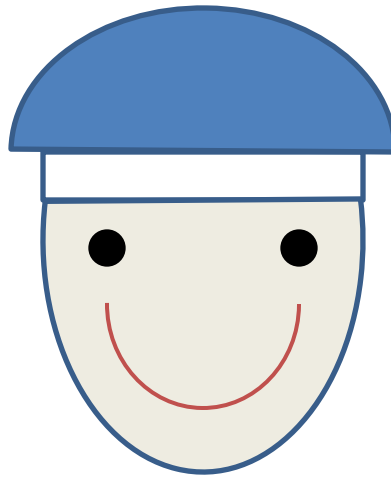


## Put on the Sword of Spirit— The Word of God

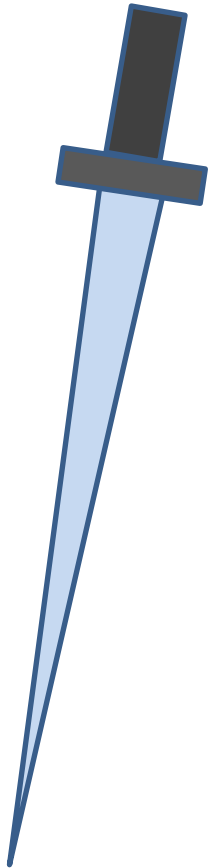
1. Put on a grasp on the Word: Hold it to your HEART.
2. Put on the Holy Spirit to use the Word: It is His sword.
3. Put on a basis to your prayers : Base your prayers on God's Word.

# The Spiritual Armor of God

Helmet of Salvation



Sword  
of  
Spirit -  
the  
Word  
of God





# Next week's assignment

- Complete “my walk with the Master” on page 60. Draw a vertical line in the diamond beside each activity you've completed.
- Use 1 John 5:14-15 and “**guide to meditation, pp. 136-138**” during your quiet time every day this week.
- List the names of unsaved persons. Pray for them.
- Witness to a non-Christian.
- Review “the helmet of salvation,” “the breastplate of righteousness,” and “the sword of the Spirit.” Learn “the shield of faith.”
- Continue to memorize Ephesians 6:10-18.

# Small Group Time

1. **Check** each other's "my walk with the Master this week."
2. **Quote** Psalm 1:2-3 to each other.
3. **Practice:**
  - 1) Explain "the spiritual armor" to each other.
  - 2) Explain "God's word in your Heart and Hand."
4. **Share** an experience the Scripture equips you—teaching, rebuking, correcting, or training in righteousness.
5. **Share** your experience in witnessing to people.
6. **Pray** with praise and thanksgiving.