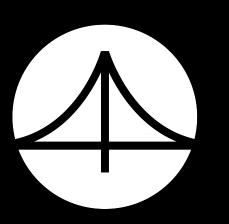
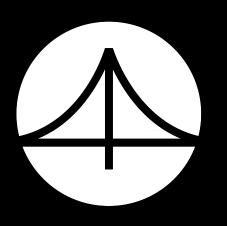
Ephesians: Armor of God





Life is war, so be ready.

- See the Battle
- Know the Enemy
- Know your Goal
- Know Your Tactics and Tools



See The Battle

- Unless we see that life is war, we won't know how to fight properly
- There are forces at work actively trying to stop God's plan for the universe from coming about



Know the Enemy

- People aren't the enemy, they're the ground being fought over
- The enemy is:
 - Spiritual, not physical
 - Powerful
 - Crafty and strategic
 - DEFEATED
- We don't need to fear the enemy
- We don't need to obsess over the enemy

Know Your Goal

- To stand (v. 11, 13, and 14)
- Jesus is the only hero of this war
- We don't need to be heroes, we just need to keep fighting
- To stand: to hold onto faith in Jesus, love God and others, and live obedient to God



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Phalanx (Tortoise)



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- The armor of God is meant to be used in the community of the church
- We won't use any of the armor properly if we're not using it with prayer