

# The Good News

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Breastplate of  
Righteousness (Part 3/8)

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# PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD



**BELT  
OF  
TRUTH**



**BREAST  
OF  
RIGHTEOUSNESS**



**SHOES  
OF  
PEACE**



**SHIELD  
OF  
FAITH**



**HELMET  
OF  
SALVATION**

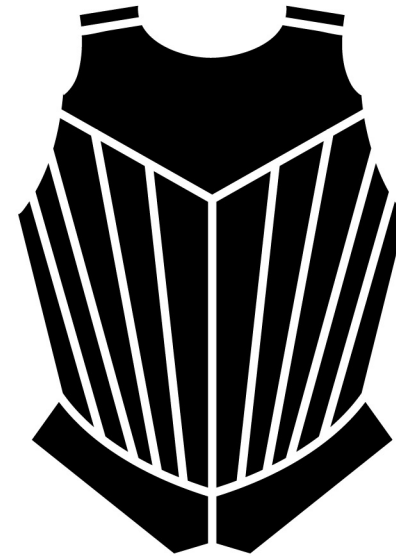


**SWORD  
OF  
SPIRIT**

**EPHESIANS 6:10**

Roman  
armor or  
something  
else?

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“breastplate of righteousness”  
Eph 6:14



# Words for “breastplate”

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“breastplate of righteousness”  
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חֹשֶׁן *hōšen* (H2833)  
associated with Priests

שָׁרְיוֹן *širyôn* (H8302)  
associated with Soldiers

LLX uses  
same word



חֹשֶׁן  
*hōšēn*  
H2833

Used exclusively of priest's breastplate:

[Exo 28:30 KJV] And thou shalt put in the **breastplate** of judgment the Urim and the Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart before the LORD continually.



# Exodus 28:15-30

Read Together



# The Priest's Breastplate

- Wore breastplate of judgement as part of the official garments
- Closely linked with ephod & girdle
- 12 gemstones for the Children of Israel
- Urim and Thummim were put into it like a pocket and used to make decisions
- Beautifully designed and had “sparkle” from the gemstones



שִׁרְיוֹן  
*širyôn*  
H8302

Used of soldiers, war, Leviathan, and in special reference to the Arm of the Lord:

[Isa 59:17 KJV] For he put on righteousness as a **breastplate**, and an helmet of salvation upon his head; and he put on the garments of vengeance [for] clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloke.





# Isaiah 59:9-21

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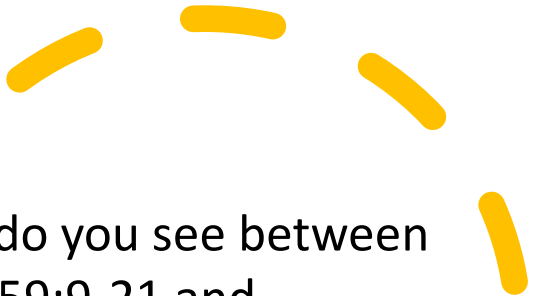


# The Arm of the Lord

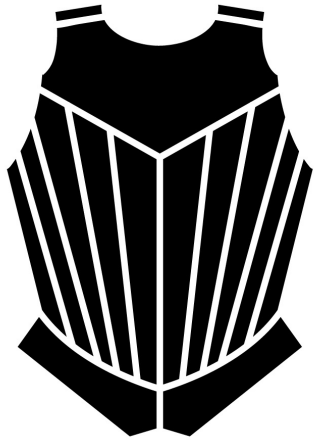
- Darkness: no judgement or justice – salvation and redemption required
- He put on righteousness as a breastplate and a helmet of Salvation
- Righteousness “sustained Him”



Discuss



What similarities or differences do you see between the armor and warfare in Isaiah 59:9-21 and Ephesians 6:10-18?



Judgement  
Vs  
Righteousness



Righteous  
(noun & verb)

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# δοκιμάζω (dokimazō) G1381

23x in TR Greek NT

1. to test, examine, prove, scrutinise
  2. to recognise as genuine after examination
- (Outline of Biblical Usage)



# Discern, test, prove (G1381)

- [Luk 12:56 KJV] [Ye] hypocrites, ye can **discern** the face of the sky and of the earth; but how is it that ye do not discern[G1381] this time?
- [1Pe 1:7 KJV] That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be **tried** with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:
- [Rom 12:2 KJV] And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may **prove** what [is] that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Examine  
(dokimazō)



Judge



Genuine  
(dikaiosynē)

Test  
(dokimazō)



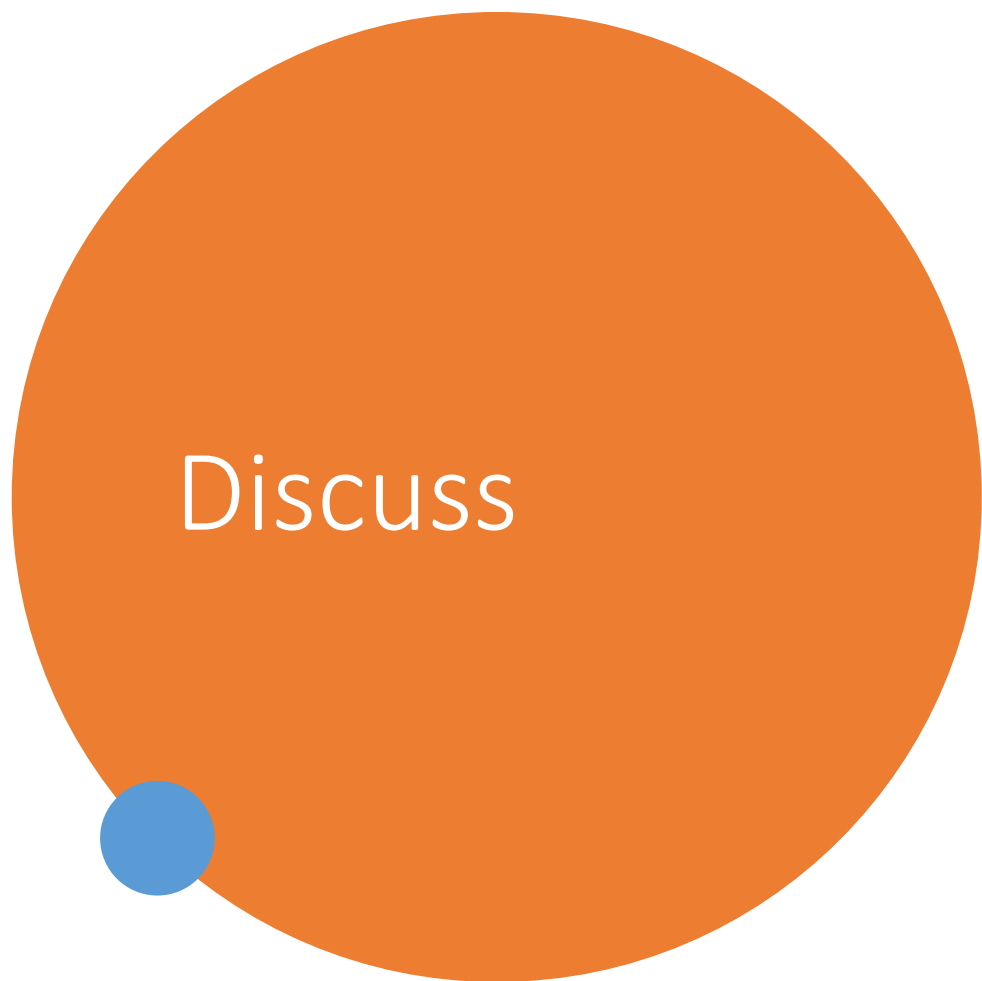
Judge



Righteous  
(dikaiosynē)

# Recap

- Breastplate of righteousness protects and sustains
- God's righteousness is tested, judged, and determined to be solid – it will stand the most intense scrutiny!
- Only reference to “breastplate of righteousness” outside Ephesians is when Christ Himself puts righteousness on.



Thoughts? Questions?



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