

Lesson 102 Answers and Comments

Loins	speak	word	richly	water
Loins	girded	truth	word	word
Girded	loins	word	God	effectually
Shoes	ran	truth	quick	worketh
Feet	gird	word	powerful	believe
Girdle	loins	truth	piercing	word
Loins	loins	gospel	soul	grace
Loosed	girded	truth	spirit	able
Linen	open	word	joints	build
Breeches	sackcloth	God	marrow	up
Nakedness	loins	dividing	discerner	all
Loins	mourned	word	heart	scripture
Thighs	sackcloth	truth	milk	inspiration
Soundness	loins	hard	word	profitable
Flesh	sackcloth	understood	grow	doctrine
Loins	loins	unlearned	fed	reproof
Loathsome	sackclothes	unstable	milk	correction
Loins	confessed	wrest	meat	instruction
Shake	sins	scriptures	strong	righteousness
Thoughts	smite	destruction	meat	man
Troubled	loins	led	written	God
Loins	loins	error	learning	perfect
Loosed	girt	wicked	comfort	thoroughly
Knees	truth	steadfastness	scriptures	furnished
Loins	truth	heart	hope	good
Mind	thy	word	sanctify	works
Gird	truth	Christ	cleanse	
Loins	truth	dwelt	washing	

Prov. 23:23 says, "Buy the truth and sell it not." Truth, the word of God, is what God uses to equip His people. Truth will guide, govern, encourage, strengthen and equip the believer. God's truth girt on our loins is essential for victory in our warfare with the devil. Satan has a counterfeit program, a lie program. God's truth will prevent us from being victimized by his wiles. God's truth girt on our loins will make us ready for the work before us. We are all called to study, to know, to understand God's truth, not so that we can be smarter than the next guy, but that we may be completely furnished for a worthy walk that will please the Lord.

Col. 1:10 "That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work..."

Thank you for your continued prayers, I likewise hold you all up in my prayers and know that God's truth will strengthen us, comfort us and fill us with hope that we may finish our course.

Lesson 103 The Breastplate of Righteousness

Eph. 6:14 "...and having on the breastplate of righteousness;"

The Bible speaks mostly about the breastplate worn by the high priest of Israel. It was a garment beautifully made with 12 stones set in it each bearing the names of one of the 12 tribes of Israel. Read Ex. 28:15-30. Two additional stones called the Urim and Thummim were also set in the breastplate.

Ex. 28:21 "And the _____ shall be with the _____ of the children of Israel, _____, according to their _____... according to the twelve _____." Vs. 30 "And thou shalt put in the _____ of _____ the _____ and the _____; and they shall be upon _____, when he goeth in _____ the _____: And Aaron shall _____ the _____ of the _____ of _____ upon his _____ before the _____ continually." The high priests garments were worn as they served in the tabernacle/temple offering sacrifices to the Lord.

Is. 59:17 "For he put on _____ as a _____, and an _____ of _____ upon his _____; and he put on the _____ of _____ for _____, and was clad with zeal as a cloke."

If we read this 59th chapter of Isaiah we see sin abounding in the nation of Israel. Against this backdrop of abounding sin comes abounding grace.

Rom. 5:20 "...But where _____, _____ did much more _____."

I wonder if "one reason" for our armor being called God's armor is because He wore it first?

In the midst of Israel's sin, they were not deserving of God's help, yet God, clothed in righteousness, brings salvation.

Clothing in many scriptures is a symbol for righteousness.

Is. 11:5 "And _____ shall be the _____ of his _____..."

Job 29:14 "I put on _____, and it _____ me:"

When Adam and Eve found themselves naked in the garden, they were not ashamed in front of each other but wanted to hide from the presence of the Lord. They knew they were not fit for the eyes of the Lord. They no longer were clothed in righteousness. God makes them a garment to clothe them.

Gen. 3:21 "Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make _____ of _____, and _____ them." Clothing them with animal skins meant the shedding of blood.

Heb. 9:22 "...and without the shedding of _____ is no _____."

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At the marriage of the Lamb in Rev. 19:8 we see the wife, “And to her was granted that she should be _____ in fine _____, clean and white: for the fine _____ is the _____ of _____.”

In contrast to garments that are a symbol of God’s righteousness we see in Is. 64:6 “But we are all as an unclean thing, and all _____ are as _____.”

What graphic pictures the word of God paints for us!

You and I are directed to have on the breastplate of righteousness. Now what righteousness is being spoken of here? We know that it is not our own righteousness. Phil. 3:9 “And be found in him, _____ having mine _____, which is of the law, but that which is through the _____ of Christ, the _____ which is of _____ by _____:”

Imputed righteousness is what we have on the basis of the faith of Christ in His meritorious work on Calvary’s cross.

II Cor. 5:21 “For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be _____ the _____ of _____ in him.”

Rom. 3:21, 22. vs. 22 “Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto _____ and _____ them that _____.”

Eph. 4:24 “And that ye _____ the _____ which after God is _____ in _____ and true holiness.”

Rom. 4:5, 6 “...his _____ is counted for _____.”

It is the great doctrine of righteousness that the believer must have on at all times. Not just the doctrine of imputed righteousness.

But also the great truth of God’s righteousness and how His justice was not compromised in the justifying of the ungodly! Rom. 3:21-28. And Rom. 1:16, 17, the gospel of Christ, is what reveals, makes known, God’s righteousness, vs. 17 “For therein (the gospel) is the _____ of _____”

How can God declare the ungodly righteous? Only by His grace!

Rom. 3:24 “Being justified freely (without a cause) by his _____.”

But how can God exercise such amazing grace and impart such a glorious change as to constitute sinners as righteous?? Let’s finish verse 24 “...through the _____ that is in _____.”

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God is righteous and just and free to exercise His grace by declaring the one who believes as righteous because our redemption has been secured by the blood of His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ!

These great truths of righteousness are the breastplate that is on our heart. If they are, then righteousness will be what lives in our life. We will live righteously because we are righteous!

Rom. 6:11-23 vs. 13 "...but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are _____ from the _____, and your _____ as _____ of _____ unto God." Vs. 19 "...even so now yield your _____ to _____ unto holiness."

I Cor. 15:34 "_____ to _____, and _____..."

Phil. 1:11 "Being _____ with the _____ of _____, which are by _____, unto the glory and praise of God."

The doctrine of God's righteousness, imputed righteousness, man's righteousness, and practical righteousness make up the breastplate of the believer. Satan's attacks of doubt, our worthiness, the need for the blood, eternal security, will be easily defeated with this great doctrine.

The believer is forever clothed with the righteousness of God! This glorious truth will keep our lives pure and free from sin.

Do you remember from Ex. 28:29 where Aaron bore the names of Israel before the LROD? In the breastplate upon his _____. As the priest went in to offer the sacrifices, Israel was present on the heart of the priest. What tender loving, affection God had for His people! What a glorious provision for their cleansing.

Christ as He hung on Calvary's cross had you and me on His heart.

Gal. 2:20 "...who _____ and _____ himself for _____."

As Aaron bore the judgement of God's people upon his heart in offering the sacrifices, so our Lord bore our sins.

I Pet. 2:24 "Who his own self _____ our _____ in his own _____ on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto _____:..."

All that you and I might be reconciled to God, made righteous and accepted. Oh, the place of tender affection that we stand in today before God.

Eph. 1:4 "...holy and without _____ before him in _____: vs. 6 ...wherein he hath made us _____ in the _____."

I Cor. 1:30 "But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is _____ unto _____ wisdom, and _____ and sanctification, and redemption:" All that we have is in and through our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ!