

Armed and Dangerous
(holy, justified, and faithful)

Romans 1:16-17

I.) “Breastplate of righteousness” Eph. 6:10-14

A.) Breastplate covers the *chest* or “area of the *heart*”

Prov 4:23 Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

You must protect your heart, it is where we are justified. Romans 10:5-13

B.) Righteousness: Greek= dikaiosune *dik-ah-yos-oo-nay*. Equitable, innocent, holy. Just, meet, right.

C.) This righteousness comes from God alone! Isa 59:15-17

II.) We need his righteousness to make us holy.

A.) We can’t see him without holiness. Hebrews 12:14-17

B.) We have no righteousness outside of Christ. II Corinthians 5:16-21

III.) Righteousness is a sign of our faith, proving that we are justified against sin.

A.) Like Abraham we are justified by faith, but righteous through our actions. James 2:21-24

B.) The righteous will be remembered

PS 112:6 Surely he will never be shaken;

a **righteous** man will be remembered forever.

C.) Through righteousness we will be faithful will be rewarded, we will trade in the breastplate for a crown.

II Tim.4:6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith:

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.