

Sword of The Spirit

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A. The Sword - Ephesians 6:14

- The Word of God is the Sword
- The sword not only softens our heart but also pushes back against Satan
- The Word of God gives us direction – Romans 15:4
- The Word of God is truth
- There is no error in the Bible

B. Who wrote the Bible? – 2 Peter 1:19-21

- Men wrote it down
- In a lot of cases there was a scribe who actually wrote it
- God inspired – 2 Timothy 3:16-17
- There are 66 books of the Bible and 40 different authors
- God inspired from creation to what is to come, prophecy

C. Sword

- A sword penetrates
- A 2-edged sword – Revelation 1:16
- Sharp and divides truth and error
- Error finder – Story
- Penetrates even the hardest of areas

D. The Holy Spirit

- The word for Spirit refers to the Holy Spirit
- The Holy Spirit or the helper guides us
- This is the one living inside of believers
- This is the Holy Spirit that has been the same through the ages
- The 3rd member of the Trinity

The Bible is not an end in itself, but a means to bring men to an intimate and satisfying knowledge of God, that they may enter into Him, that they may delight in His Presence, may taste and know the inner sweetness of the very God Himself in the core and center of their hearts – A.W. Tozer

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E. Offense or Defense weapon?

- The purpose of the armor is to withstand Satan
- This doesn't change because we now have a sword
- We are not attacking Satan but instead holding our ground
- This is a defensive sword
- The Bible is living and active - **Hebrews 4:12-13**
- The words don't change – Hebrews 13:8

F. How does The Bible effect your life?

- We are hard hearted and don't let the bible change us
- There isn't area of your life that the Bible isn't applicable too
- It might be a book that was written long ago but it applies today as much as it did back then
- It transforms you if you let it – Romans 12:2
- It is used to defend against the enemy

G. “Rhema” Word of God

- This is perfect and lacking nothing – John 17:17
- There will not be anything added or taken away from it
- The Bible is pure
- Living and active
- Proven by many manuscripts to be accurate