

Naked

- Before sin: nakedness wasn't noticed
 - ◆ Genesis 2:25 - And the man and his wife were both **naked** and were not ashamed.
- After sin: naked = shame/hiding/separation from God
 - ◆ Genesis 3:10 He replied, "I heard you walking in the garden, so I hid. I was afraid because I was **naked**."
- Before Jesus: Demon possessed/remembering traumas & past regrets
 - ◆ Luke 8:27 - When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had **worn no clothes**, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs.
- After Jesus encounter: fully clothed and in his right mind
 - ◆ Mark 5:15 And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, **clothed** and in his right mind, and they were afraid.
- With Jesus, before a threat/fear: clothed & armed
 - ◆ John 18:10 - Then Simon Peter drew a sword and slashed off the right ear of Malchus, the high priest's slave.
- After threat of arrest: ran from Jesus & naked
 - ◆ Mark 14:51-52 And a young man followed him, with nothing but a linen cloth about his body. And they seized him, but he left the linen cloth and ran away **naked**.
- Spiritual Warfare with Jesus: keep garments on!
 - ◆ Revelation 16:15 Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about **naked** and be seen exposed!
- Spiritual Warfare without Jesus:
 - ◆ Acts 19:15-16 - the evil spirit replied, "I know Jesus, and I know Paul, but who are you?" Then the man with the evil spirit leaped on them, overpowered them, and attacked them with such violence that they fled from the house, **naked** and battered.
- Dark deeds: like dirty clothes
 - ◆ Romans 13:12 - The night is almost gone; the day of salvation will soon be here. So **remove your dark deeds like dirty clothes**, and put on the shining armor of right living.
- Nothing is really hidden: we are all naked before God
 - ◆ Romans 13:13-14 - Because we belong to the day, **we must live decent lives for all to see**. Don't participate in the darkness of wild parties and drunkenness, or in sexual promiscuity and immoral living, or in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, **clothe yourself** with the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. And don't let yourself think about ways to indulge your evil desires.
 - ◆ Hebrews 4:13 And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.
- Jesus died naked in shame so that we could LIVE clothed without shame
 - ◆ John 19:23-24 - When the soldiers had crucified Jesus, they divided his clothes among the four of them. They also took his robe, but it was seamless, woven in one piece from top to bottom. So they said, "Rather than tearing it apart, let's throw dice for it." This fulfilled the Scripture that says, "They divided my garments among themselves and threw dice for my clothing." So that is what they did.