## Prophetic Word by Pastor Richard – March 17th, 2019

The Whole Armour of God – Ephesians 6:10-20

Yes, says the Lord, the Lord of Hosts, the Lord of the Holy Ghost, God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob; this is how you can tell very clearly, this is how you can see very clearly those that are truly Christian and those that are not. Those that are truly Christian have their armour on, the full armour of God on.

Those that are truly Christian, their salvation, the gospel is soiled on the battlefield. Their salvation has been soiled.

Their feet that have been shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace have been soiled on the battlefield.

The belt of truth has been challenged. They've been lied about, they've spoken ill-favoured about, they've been told they're liars as they've preached the gospel of truth. Their belt of truth that protects that area, has been damaged, has been hit.

They're not carrying shields of faith that are shiny and sparkling and glistening, no they have shields of faith that are hammered, that are worn, that are beaten, that are in need of repair, hammered from the battles, from being shot at by the devil.

Oh, their swords, their swords are not only sharp, but their swords are double-edged. There is no glisten in their sword, there is no shine in their sword, they wield it like warriors. Their swords are beaten, their swords are hammered, their swords have taken many, many, many a hit in defending the truth, that's how you can discern the true Christian from the non-Christian.

There is no battle for the non-Christian. There is no battle for the easy believer.

Yes, you see clearly in the breastplate of righteousness, it's obvious that they've taken battle in the place of righteousness. It's obvious that those who serve Me, who have taken upon My righteousness have been hit, have been hammered, have been assaulted. No, it's not shiny, no it's not glistening, no it's not colourful. Some of you have been spending a lot of time shinning your armour. It's time that you start using it. I'd rather see a sword with a few notches in it from the victories, than a sword that is sharp and shiny says the Lord.

Oh, that helmet of salvation, you can see it clearly the Christian who wears the helmet of salvation and the Christian who is just a fraud. The Christian who wears the helmet of salvation, who protects his salvation who walks upright with me, it's pretty obvious from his head the hits that he's taken. It's pretty obvious as he has stood upon My word, and his salvation has been attacked. That's the difference you can see from the true Christian and the one who just believes, says the Lord.

Those that are born again of My Spirit, those that are truly born again of My Spirit, their armour has gone through a battle, says the Lord. Their shield of faith isn't hanging on the shelf at home for those to see. Their armour isn't sparkling and spangling for those to see the image. No, says the Lord. Those that are My Christians, those that walk in truth, they're soiled with the battle

with the devil. That's how you can tell the difference, that's how you can see the difference. It's very clear, says the Lord. It's not that I haven't made it clear.

The weapons of your warfare are not carnal but are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds. I've given you the authority in My word, rise up and use it. Stop the image, stop being concerned about the image, the nice shiny, sparklingly, sharp image. It's time to get soiled in battle, it's time to fight the devil again, it's time to give up that image. It's time to take a few hits, to rise up with the word, to fight the good fight of faith, says the Lord. The Lord of Hosts, the Lord of the Holy Ghost, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, of Jacob, the God of the great Patriarchs, the God of the Apostles.

The armour that the world would put on you, the armour that the world would put on you, oh, it has the appearance of Me, it has the appearance of My Spirit, oh, it has the appearance of warfare. Oh, how deceptive the worldly armour is, that the devil would put on you. Even in My name, the devil would like you wear the worldly armour. Even in My name, the devil would like to coat you with the spirit of the world. Resist it, rise up, resist it, do not wear the armour of the world today, resist it. Resist the way the world fights their battle in the spirit, resist it, run from it, do not put on that armour, spirit of the world, the flesh, the devil. Do not put that armour on. You'll lose your battle every time, submit yourself unto me, resist the devil and he will flee from you says the Lord. Submit unto My word.

The word of Mine is a double-edged sword, use it. That shield I gave you, the shield of faith, use it. Above all, use it, take up that shield of faith.

Greater is He that's in you than he's that's in the world. Thanks be unto God who causes you to triumph, and you will triumph over the devil in My name. No weapon formed against you will prosper, you will triumph over the devil with the full armour on. You will triumph over the devil with the full armour on. You will triumph over the devil with the full armour on. You will triumph over the devil with the full armour on. You will triumph over the devil with the full armour on. Yes, you'll take a few hits, yes, you'll get knocked down, it will look like you're defeated, but I have the final word, says the Lord. I have the final say in your life, I have the final word in your life, says the Lord. Haven't I given you My word, the more sure word of prophecy? Haven't I given you My word, My word will defeat the devil? I defeated him when I died on the cross, and it will continue to defeat him. Every area of your life, everywhere you walk in My name, everywhere you walk in My name, use My word as a sword in the kingdom of darkness. Use My word as a sword to penetrate the kingdom of darkness that's coming up against you. Walk upright with Me, stand strong in the Lord and in the power of My might says the Lord, and you'll have victory everywhere you go. Even when it doesn't appear like it's a victory, you'll have the final victory, says the Lord.

Oh yes, the 'believer' they've got their armour just sparkling. But it's not My armour that they're wearing. They've got this image that's of the devil, they're not even of Me, says the Lord. Oh, they confess My name, they believe in Me, but they're not even of Me, says the Lord. They don't even know how to wield My sword, they don't even know how to hold up the shield of faith if they had one that was from Me. Salvation, they're not saved, they don't have the helmet of salvation on today. They're defeated before they even go into battle, but all in My name they say, I believe, all in My name they recognize themselves to be Christian based on upon their belief.

But they're not even of Me says the Lord. How can you bypass being born again and be of Me, says the Lord? How can you bypass repenting of your sins and be of Me, says the Lord?

The devil's done a good job at having some of you bypass the born again experience, but I'm telling you, I'm going to raise up Christians, who will not bypass, who will not refuse the born again experience, and will preach the born again experience. They will take up My full armour, and they will fight the good fight of faith, says the Lord. They will walk upright with Me, men of women of no compromise, men and women of no compromise.