# Agitation OR TRANSFORMATION

Take a long look here. Summarizes everything that is breaking down in our country.

How does it make you feel?

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BLACK LIVES MATTER

# It's Traumatic and Infuriating

- The longer this goes on the more agitated we become, and finally we decide to DO SOMETHING!!! So we spring into action, and what do we do? I know ...
  - Post something on FACEBOOK. Point out to people the error of their opinions.
  - Seriously? Is that the best we can do as joint heirs with Jesus who have been installed as His Ekklesia to demonstrate his love and mercy and bring in His Kingdom rule on this earth? Is It?????

#### Hear the Word of the Lord

- To the USA and to those called to be My Body, My hands and feet bringing My light and love to those in darkness there;
- Satan has demanded permission to sift you like wheat, and I am praying for you, But resist him, <u>firm in your faith</u>,

 <sup>10</sup> After you have suffered for a little while, <u>the God of all grace, who called you to</u> <u>His eternal glory in Christ, will</u> <u>Himself</u> perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you. Fruit of sifting is VICTORY

# Your Opinions Aren't Enough

 Isaiah 55: 8-9 - "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," declares the LORD.

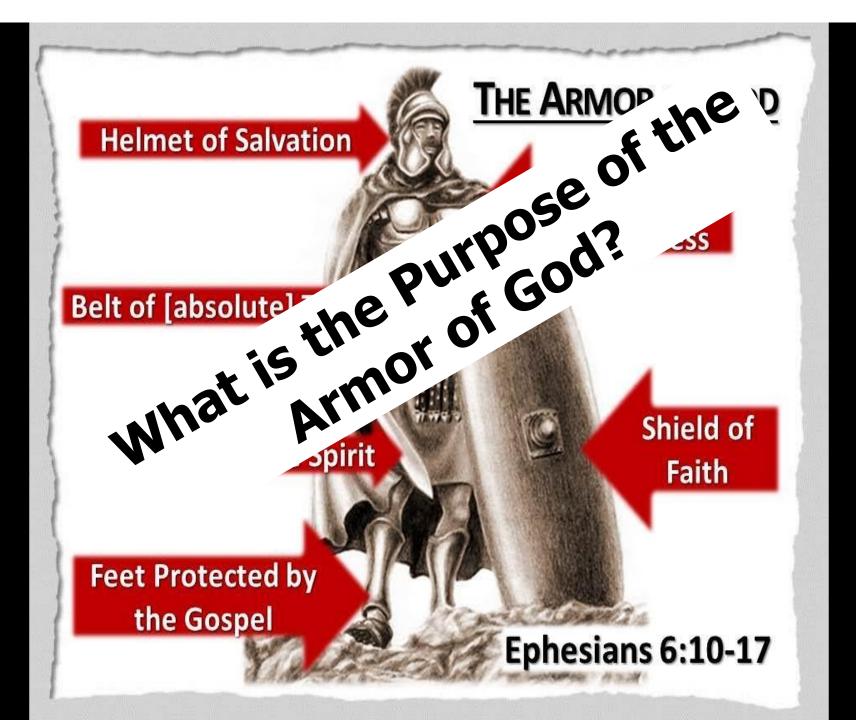
"For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways And My thoughts than your thoughts." - <u>Don't trust your understanding</u>

- The Kingdom doesn't operate the way we thought it did or should
- Trust ME, I AM <u>faithful</u>

#### Trust Me, NOT YOU!!!

- My grace is sufficient for you." 2 Cor. 12
- Stop trusting you and everything you think you know and have accomplished. Trust ME and My GRACE and MY Power ...
- Paul realized that when I am weak, then I am strong.

But we have this treasure in <u>earthen</u> <u>vessels</u>, so that the surpassing <u>greatness of the power</u> will be <u>of God</u> and not from ourselves; 2 Cor 4:7



### The Enemy and His Plan

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the <u>Lord</u> and in the strength of His might. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. <u>*I2 For our*</u> struggle is not against <sup>[e]</sup>flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup> Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to **resist** in the evil day, **and** having done everything, to stand firm.

# **Our Preparation and Training**

<sup>14</sup> Stand firm therefore, HAVING GIRDED YOUR LOINS WITH TRUTH, and HAVING PUT ON THE BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, <sup>15</sup> and having shod your feet with the preparation of the GOSPEL OF PEACE; 16 [f] in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup> And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and **the** sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. (revelation and understanding)

#### The Power to TRANSFORM

<sup>18 [g]</sup> With all prayer and petition [h] pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, <sup>[i]</sup> be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints.

 Transformation comes by surrendering to the power and presence of God, and Prayer is the key

# Our Only Offensive Weapon

- The Armor of God provides the <u>defensive</u> protection we need so that we can STAND and WITHSTAND the deceptive, manipulative attacks of the enemy
- So we can pray with power into the situations that are causing the disruptions
- So we can hear from God and experience God's presence and Power, and be changed by Him and OBEY HIM AND PARTNER WITH HIM AS HE BRINGS TRANSFORMATION ON THE EARTH

### Get This Straight

- The Power of Jackie is an oxymoron operating in the flesh; it is weak, lame, laughable, deceived, impotent, dead
  - It erects more obstacles, can be subverted by the enemy and makes things worse
  - Prayer led by the Spirit tears down strongholds, provides revelation, and releases His power
  - The Power of God is unstoppable and irrestible – Our Priority Must Be Prayer – Only weapon we have or Need

#### **Prayer Triggers Transformation**

The one concern of the devil is to keep Christians from praying. He fears nothing from prayerless studies, prayerless work and prayerless religion. He laughs at our toil, mocks at our wisdom, but he trembles when we pray. **Samuel Chadwick** 

#### Jesus + Nothing = EVERYTHING

- deeply loved by God,
- fully accepted by God,
- completely and permanently forgiven by God,
- Iavishly blessed by God,

and eternally, perfectly embraced by God as his child; a child who brings Him unspeakable JOY