

ARMOUR OF GOD – BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS / THE BLOOD

The full armour - Eph 6: 13-18

1. **Definition of breastplate**

It consisted of 2 parts and protected the body on both sides.

- Side 1 Eph 6:14 - Breastplate of righteousness
- Side 2 1 Thes 5:8 - Breastplate of faith and love

2. **Definition of righteousness**

Righteousness means that we are in right standing with God

- We are made righteous by only one thing, i.e. the blood of Jesus - Eph 1:7, 2:13

3. **The blood of Jesus**

- There is no remission without blood – Heb 9:22
- Jesus had to pay with His own blood – Heb 9:12
- Jesus' blood was special because:
 - His blood was not human blood
 - Jesus' father was the Holy Spirit – Mt 1:18

4. **Jesus had to sprinkle His blood**

- After Jesus rose His blood had to be taken to the father – Jhn 20:17
- Jesus sprinkled his blood once and for all – Heb 9:12

5. **Blood as a weapon**

- Job shed blood for His children – Job 1:5
- The hedge came about by the blood – Job 1:10
- Job broke his own hedge – Job 3:25
- The blood of Jesus gives us protection – Heb 12:24

6. Summary

We should never forget the price that was paid by Jesus' blood which allows us direct access to God the father as well as our protection.

WE HAVE PROTECTION THROUGH JESUS' BLOOD