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WANNA FIGHT?

*(Ephesians 6:10-20
& Luther's Hymn "A Mighty Fortress")*

INTRODUCTION: *My 1st & only fight...*

I. THE DEVIL USES FIERY DARTS (v.16)

- A. Used in open warfare before hand-to-hand combat (Psalm 91:5)
- B. These are temptations to wound & soften you

II. GOD PROVIDES US WITH A SHIELD (v.16)

- A. This is the ***shield of faith***
- B. He gives us shield-bearers for help & protection

III. GOD HAS GIVEN US A CUSTOM-FITTED HELMET (v.17)

- A. This is the ***helmet of salvation*** (Isaiah 59:7; Ephesians 2:8-9)
- B. The devil cannot take this from us (2 Peter 5:8)

IV. THE SWORD GOD PROVIDES IS VERY SHARP (v.17)

- A. This is a "short sword" for hand-to-hand combat
- B. This sword is God's powerful Word
- C. Hand-to-hand combat & sermons, Bible classes, private devotions

V. THE VICTORY DEPENDS NOT ON US, BUT ON OUR LORD (v.19)

vi. THE ROMAN SOLDIER'S ARMOUR & WEAPONS WERE GIVEN TO HIM BY HIS COMMANDER & THE SAME IS TRUE FOR US (vv.10-11)

CONCLUSION: *Wanna fight? Bring it on!!*