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pan·o·ply

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noun

1. a complete or impressive collection of things.
2. a splendid display.
3. historical literary use: a complete set of arms or suit of armor.

Great word, isn't it? Panoply. pan-uh-plee with the accent on the pan!

Prayer is an all-efficient panoply*, a treasure undiminished, a mine which is never exhausted, a sky unobscured by clouds, a heaven unruffled by the storm. It is the root, the fountain, the mother of a thousand blessings. -Chrysostom
*complete array of warrior's armor and weapons.

We are warriors of The Word. We are women with swords. We are mighty in Spirit and complete in Jesus Christ. Do you believe that? It is time for us to PREPARE FOR BATTLE.

Ready for a Sword Drill? Let's go!

BE PREPARED:

[1 Timothy 4.16](#) *Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.*

[1 Corinthians 9.25-27](#) *And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown. Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air. But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.*

GET DRESSED:

[Ephesians 6.11-12](#) *Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.*

KNOW YOUR IDENTITY:

[Galatians 5.24-25](#) *And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.*

[Romans 8.14](#) *For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.*

PROGRESS & BE KNOWN:

[1 Timothy 4.15](#) *Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.*

STAND & BE SOBER-MINDED:

[Ephesians 6.14](#) *Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness...*

[1 Peter 1.13](#) *Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ...*

PRAYER IS AN ALL-EFFICIENT PANOPLY...

Everything we need, we have in The Word. Friends, practice it. Memorize it. Dress in it. Pray it.

PREPARE FOR BATTLE.

Because, when the Enemy comes in? Like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord raises a standard against him. [reference Isaiah 59.19] And, we must be armed, ready, and dangerous in Christ Jesus.