

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
SERMON NOTES
AUGUST 30, 2020**

**"SERMON IN A BAG: Foundational Footwear"
Ephesians 6:10-18**

"Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

As we continue our summer series, "Sermon In A Bag", this morning our object is...

It is _____

Which got me thinking about this text and specifically _____

This morning, in the larger context of "the whole armor of God",

A. The imagery of sandals, boots or shoes can imply one or both of two ideas:

1. _____

Meaning: _____

2. _____

Meaning: _____

I tend to favor _____ rather than _____

B. Proclaiming the Gospel is an integral part of the DNA of Christians. It is certainly at the heart of our church mission statement, right there on the front of your bulletin:

"The purpose of First Baptist Church is to _____"

C. Putting on the "Gospel shoes" determines for us...

1. _____
(Matthew 28:19; John 20:21; Acts 1:8)

2. _____
(2 Timothy 4:2)

3. _____
(Acts 8:26-29; 10:19-23)

4. _____
(Matthew 9:10-13)

5. _____
(2 Corinthians 5:20)

6. _____
(Ephesians 4:15; 1 Peter 3:15)

"This morning let's commit ourselves to use our 'Gospel shoes' at every opportunity and to help introduce men and women to our Lord!"