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Ephesians 6:10-20 (NIV)

10 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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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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.

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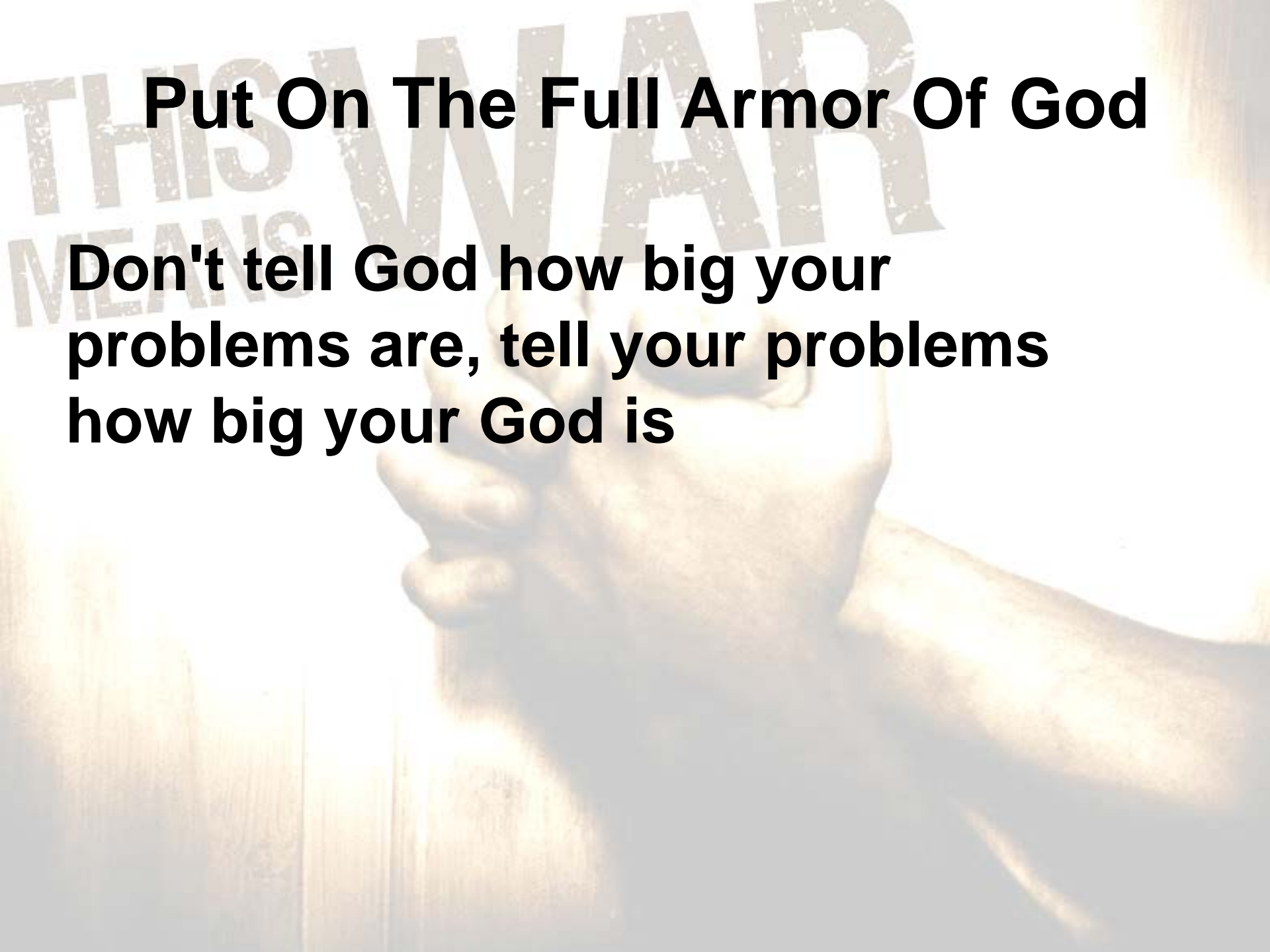
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**Don't tell God how big your
problems are, tell your problems
how big your God is**



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➤ **Powerful**



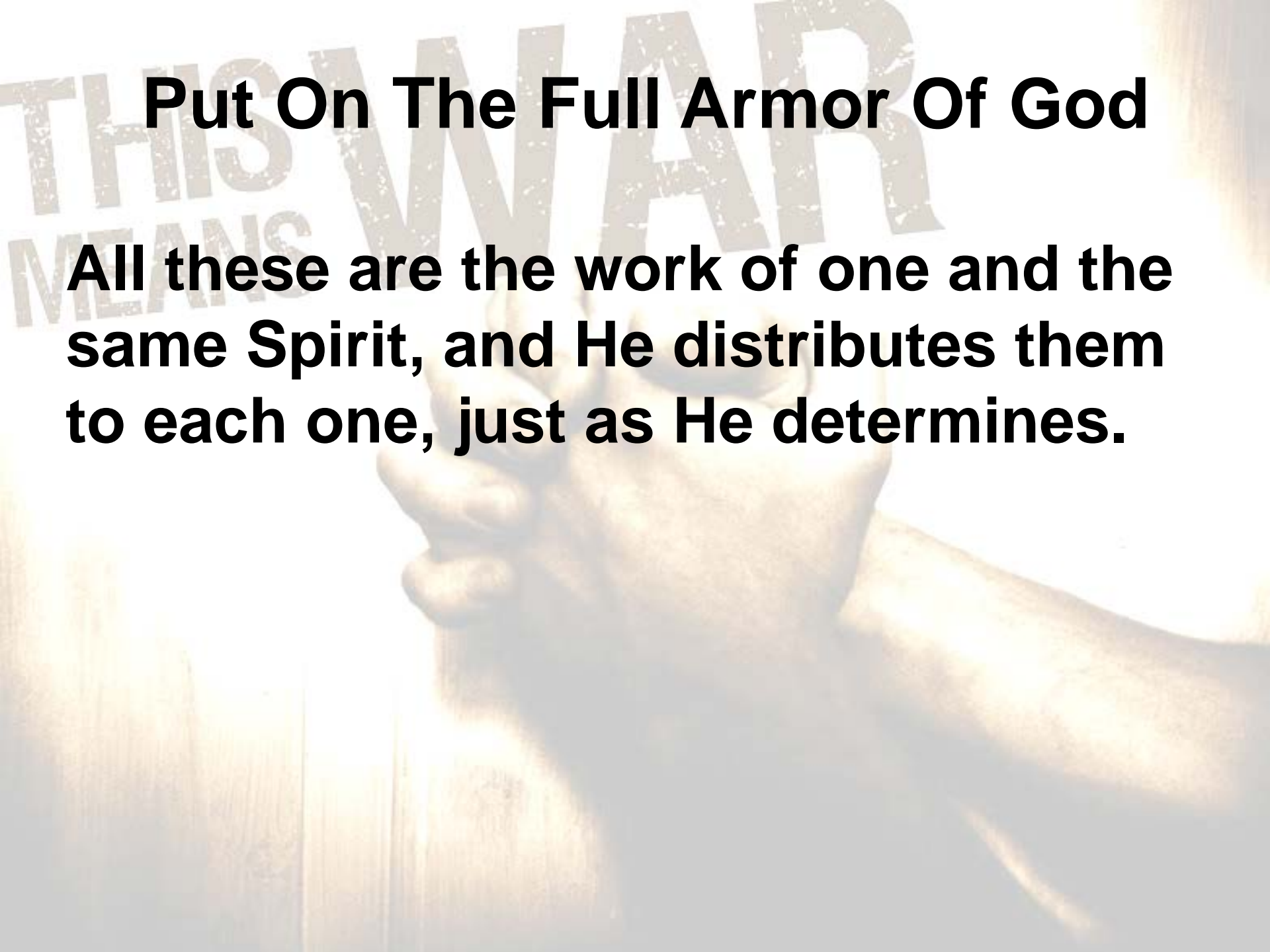
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1 Corinthians 12 (NIV)

7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. 8 To one there is given through the Spirit a message of wisdom, to another a message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, 9 to another faith...

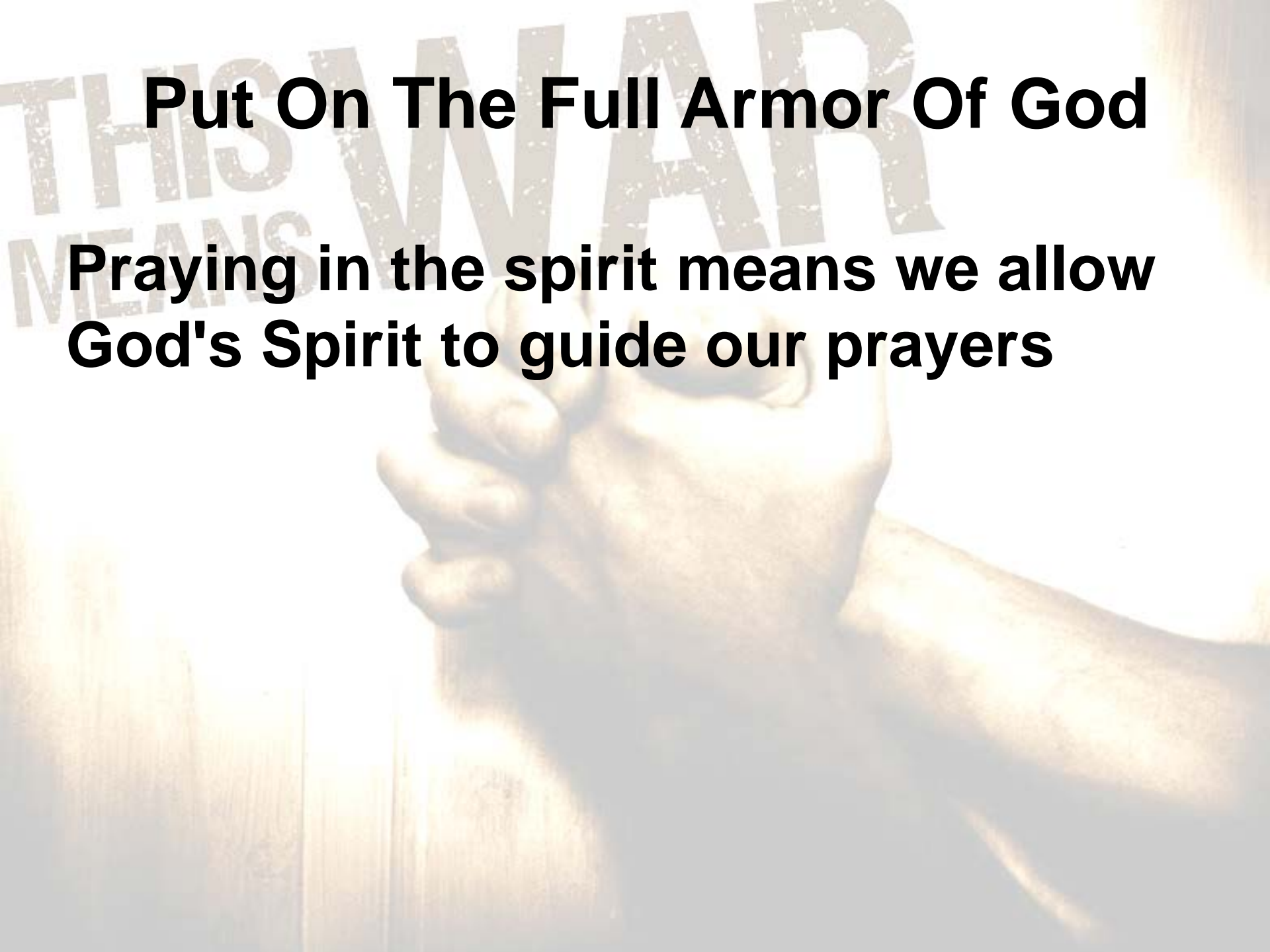
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All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and He distributes them to each one, just as He determines.



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**Praying in the spirit means we allow
God's Spirit to guide our prayers**



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1 Thessalonians 5:17 (NIV)

pray continually



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Acts 1:14 (NIV)

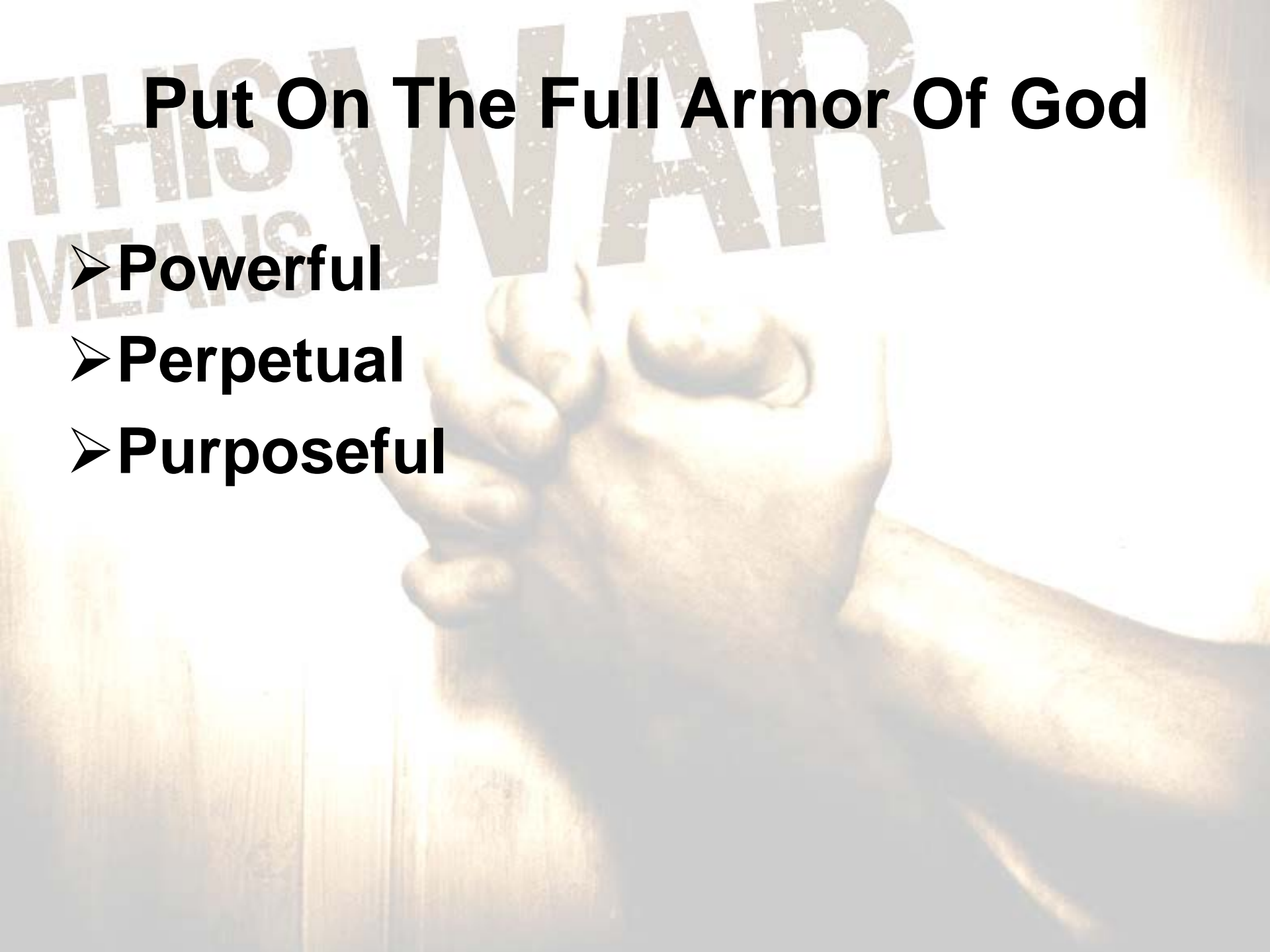
They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers

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- **Purposeful**



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No request is too little



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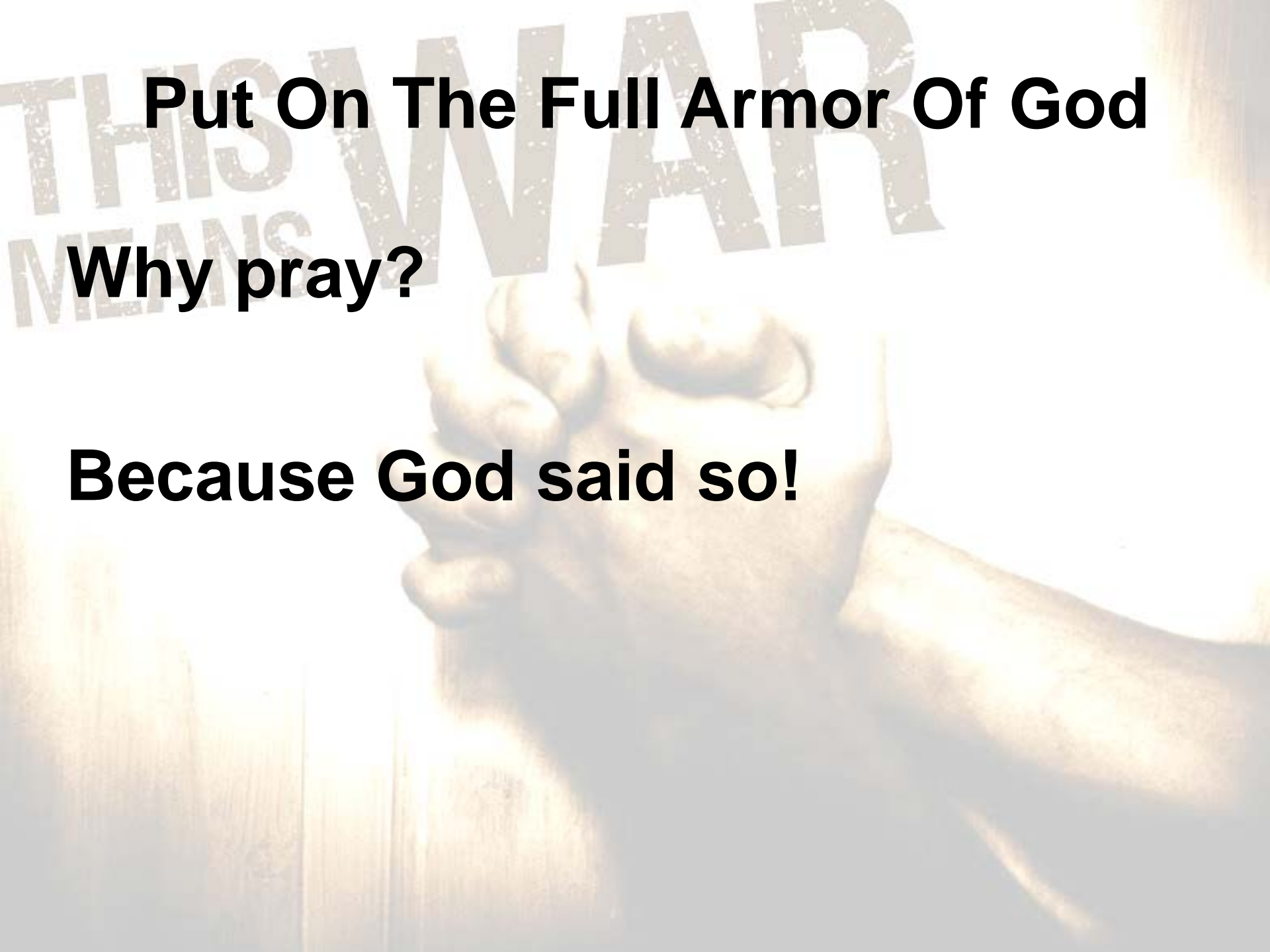
Why pray?



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Because God said so!





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God's answer to prayer

➤ **Wrong prayer: No**



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- **Right prayer, wrong heart: Grow**



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- **Right prayer, right time, right heart:**

Go!

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18 And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert

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- **Powerful**
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- **Purposeful**
- **Perceptive**



A close-up photograph of a person's hands clasped together in a prayerful gesture. The hands are positioned in the center-right of the frame, with fingers interlaced. The background is a warm, golden-brown wooden surface with vertical grain lines. The lighting is soft and directional, coming from the right, which creates a strong highlight on the right side of the hands and the wood, while the left side is in gentle shadow. The overall mood is one of devotion and spiritual focus.

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Colossians 4:2 (NIV)

Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful.

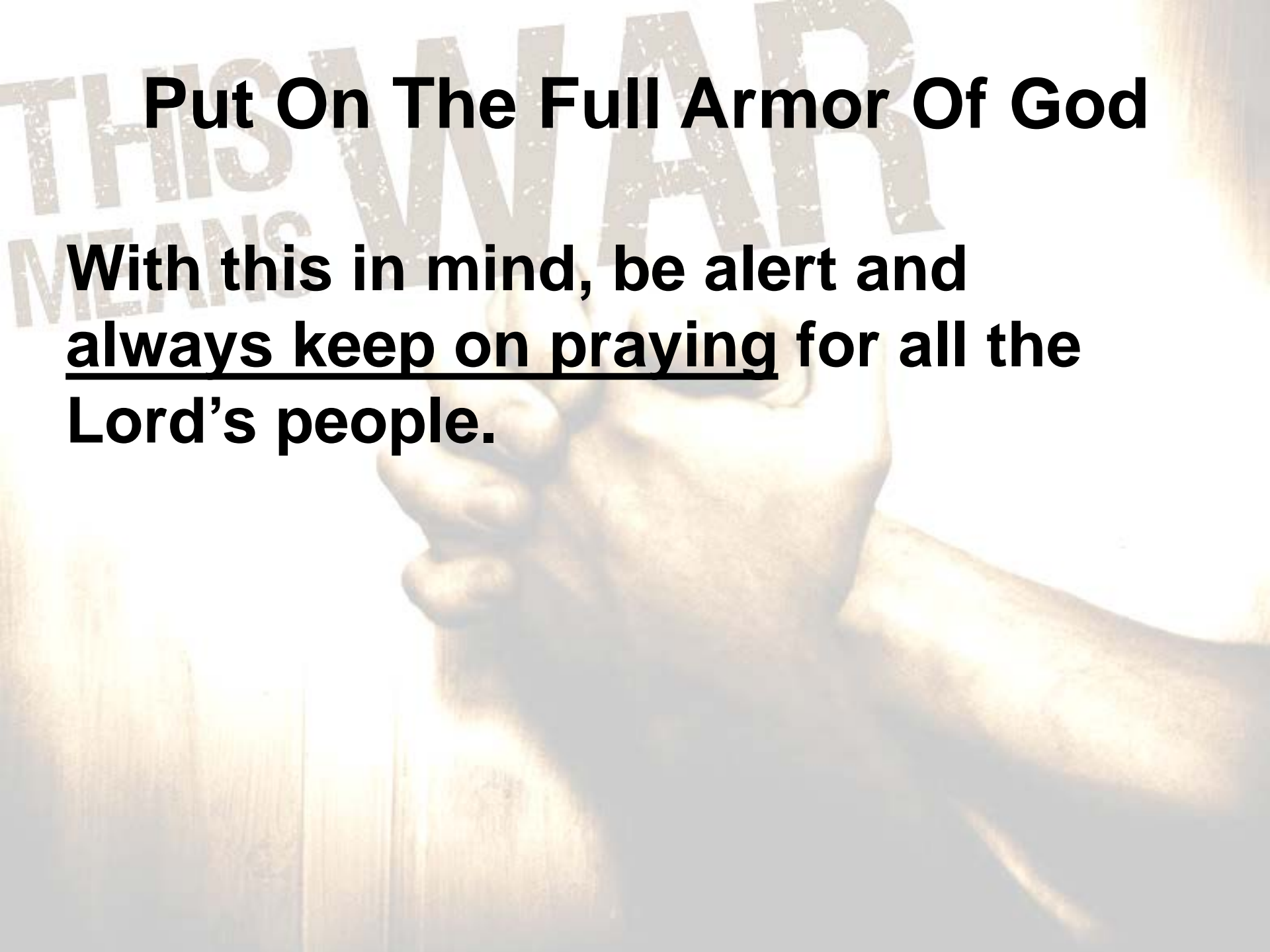
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Look for prayer opportunities



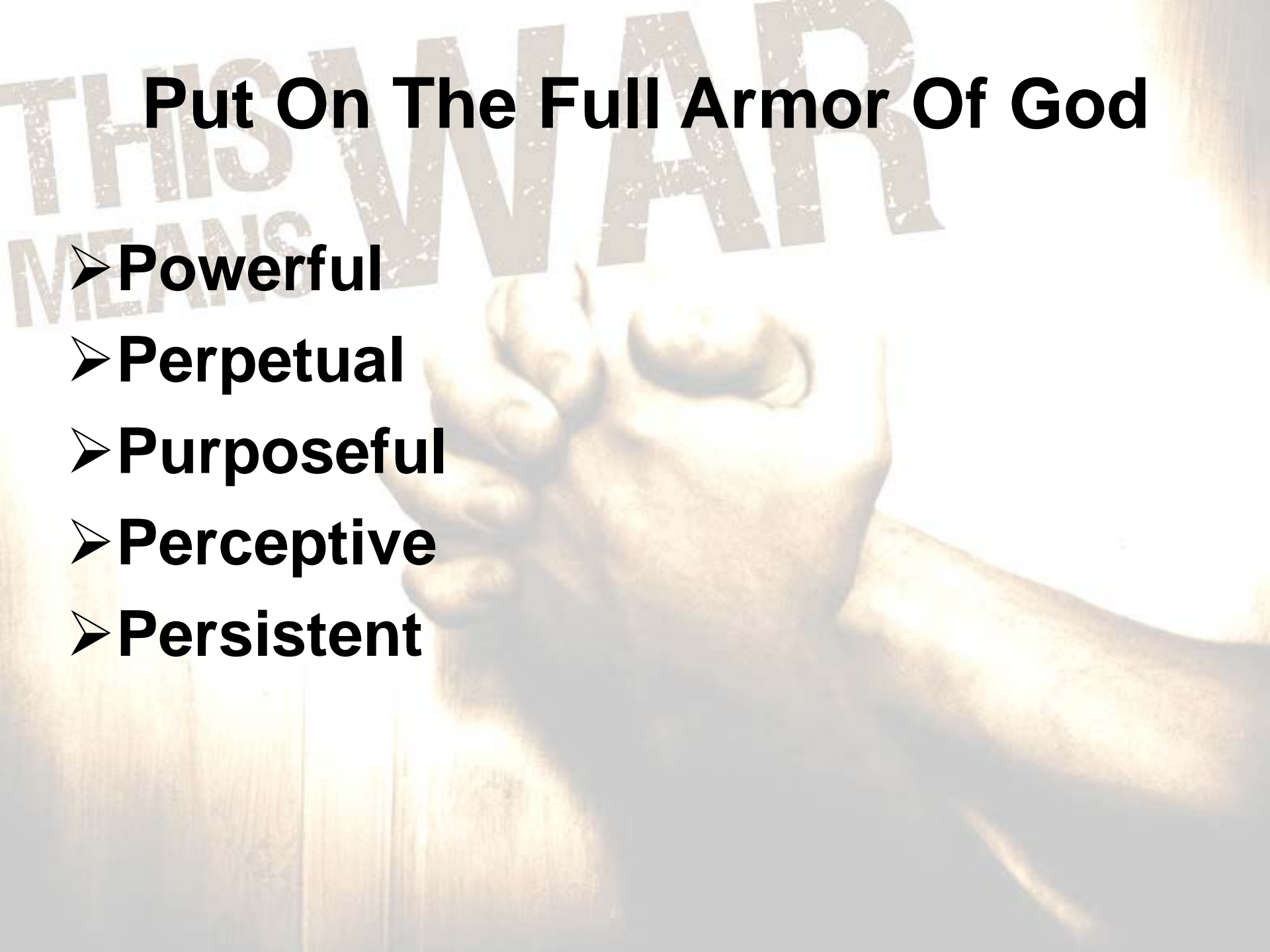
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With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people.



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- **Perceptive**
- **Persistent**



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Luke 18:1-7 (NIV)

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. 2 He said: “In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought.

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3 And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.'

4 "For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care what people think,

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5 yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!"

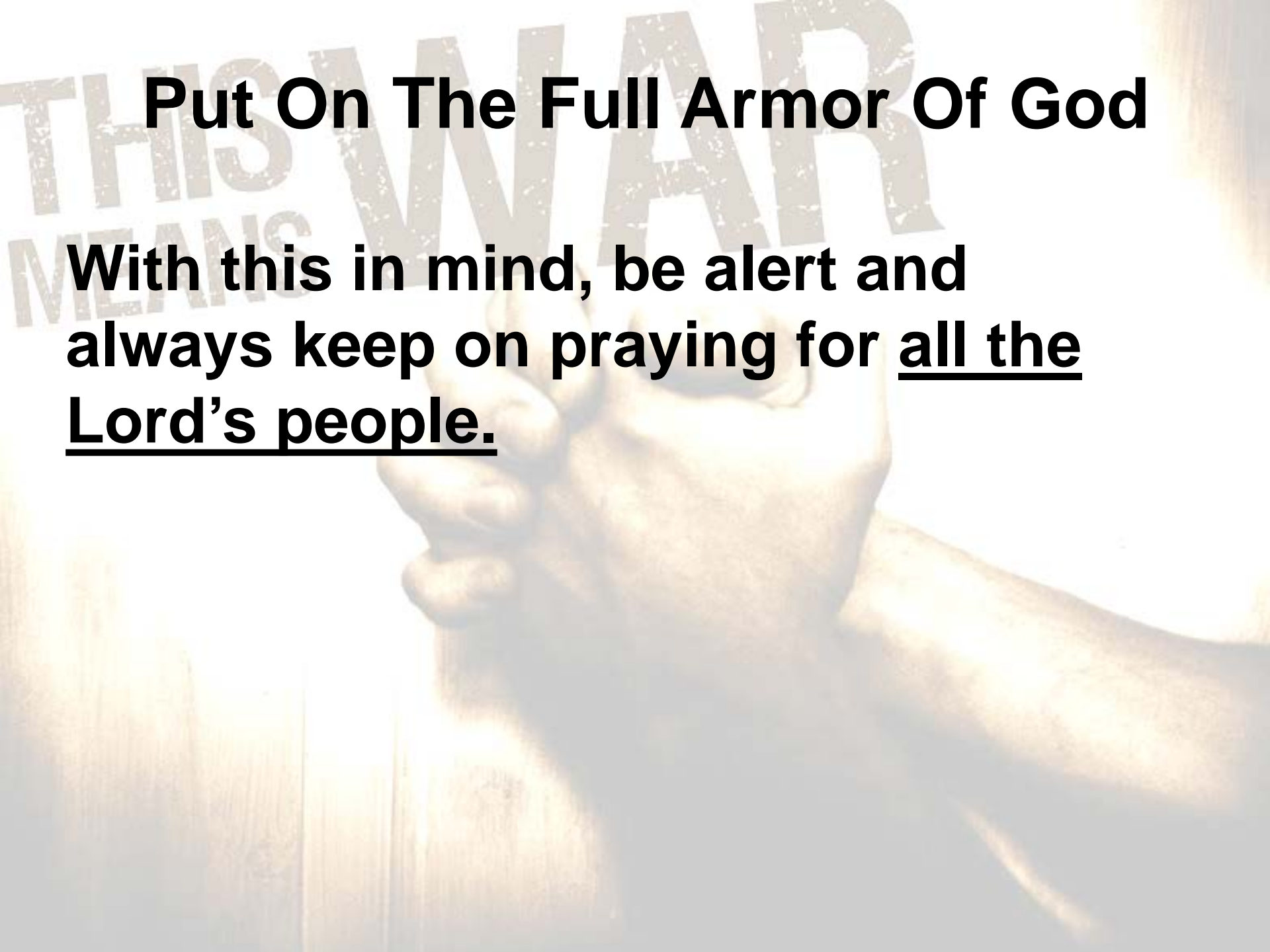
6 And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says.

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7 And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off?

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Hebrews 5:7 NIV

During the days of Jesus' life on earth, He offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the One who could save Him from death, and He was heard because of His reverent submission.

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THIS IS WAR!



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Ephesians 3:20 (NIV)

20 Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us,

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**God's plan for our lives is better
than our plan for our lives.**



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Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

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Romans 12:1-2 (NIV)

2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is— His good, pleasing and perfect will.

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