

6 GETTING UNSTUCK AGAIN ... AND AGAIN

Start the Conversation

Read This Story, and Then Join in With Your Own ...

When my son was young, my mother made him a cape. It was just a piece of black fabric she bought. She sewed a ribbon along the top edge so that he could tie it around his neck. He'd wear that cape all day long, everywhere we went. In it, he was invincible.

It's amazing what a cape can do for a little boy. He was small for his age—usually the smallest in his class. But when he wore that cape, he stood tall and, I believe if you asked him, he'd say he towered over the rest of us.

Just a regular little boy with normal little boy fears and doubts. But that cape transformed him into a warrior every single time.

Talk It Out

Don't Hide What's Inside—Open Up!

- Where did you find confidence as a child?
- Where do you find confidence now?
- What does it mean to be invincible?

Engage God's Word

Read Ephesians 6:10-18

- Who or what is the enemy?
- Who or what is NOT the enemy?
- What defensive weapons are listed in these passages?
- What offensive weapon is listed?

Discover Real Change

Consider How You Can Apply God's Word

Every now and then, my husband does what I call “the dance.” He gets dressed for the day, gets himself ready for work, and heads for the door. But, just before he walks outside, he stops in his tracks and starts checking his pockets. He pats the pocket on his shirt, the two front pockets of his slacks, and then the two pockets in back.

“What are you looking for?” I ask him.

“My wallet. I can’t find my wallet,” he answers. He searches through the house until he finds it, and then he’s ready to begin his day.

Spiritually, God wants us to be fully dressed for battle before we begin each day, but sometimes we misplace or forget about one of the items He’s given us to wear.

- Which item mentioned in Ephesians 6:10-18 are you most likely to forget or misplace?
- Which of the items do you seem to need the most?
- How does your day unfold when you remember to get dressed for battle each day? What about when you forget?

Go Deeper

Read These Passages on Your Own

- Psalm 20:6-8
- Judges 6:1-14
- Romans 8:31-39