

SPIRITUAL DRESSING ROOM



To often, Christians spend more time in the morning getting *physically* dressed than *spiritually* dressed! There are a number of considerations one must reconcile physically when getting prepared for a given day; for example:

- Weather – is it raining, is it cold, is it hot outside etc?
- Appropriateness – are you going to a formal event, the beach, church etc?

The above considerations are important because one needs to be properly dressed!

SPIRITUALLY and likewise, we need to see the value in getting prepared for the unexpected events a day may bring, in terms of the spiritual environment that we may face; for example:

- Environment – you may find yourself in a hostile situation with a familiar person or stranger.
- Appropriateness – you may find yourself mentally drifting and therefore your thoughts and desires may be less than holy, and you may be tempted to sin.

We need to get dressed first thing in the morning by communing with God in prayer! Asking Him to strengthen us for whatever we may face that day. Asking for forgiveness, thanking Him, and by making a morning decision/commitment to God and yourself to abstain from *the sin (in your life) that easily besets or ensnares you* (Heb 12:1).

Get dressed for Character and Combat:

- Character (*Put On...*) Christ – Rom 13:14
 - Put on the “New man” who is renewed in knowledge (Col 3:10)
 - Put on – *Tender Mercies, Kindness, Humility, Meekness, Longsuffering, Bearing with one another, Forgiveness, Love* – (Col 3:12-14)
- Combat (*Armor of God*) - in order to stand and withstand Satan, his demons, and schemes
 - Ephesians 6:11-18
 - Truth,
 - Righteousness,
 - Prepared with the Gospel,
 - Faith, Salvation, Word of God, Prayer