**School Clothes**

We can’t live effectively without having on the full armor of God at all times.

**Prep**

Wear the goofiest and crazy pajamas you can find.

Mark you Bible to Ephesians 6:10-17.

**Demonstration**

(Pajamas) Walk in like everything is normal and immediately start the lesson.

OR

(Hats) Pull out each hat one at a time and ask your classes in what situation would each of them be worn.

**Object Lesson**

“Wearing your pajamas is comfortable. But, can you imagine if your teacher came to school wearing their favorite rubber ducky pajama pants and their bunny house slippers?

Actually, that would be pretty cool, wouldn’t it? But, it wouldn’t be appropriate for school, and they’d probably be in trouble. We don’t wear our PJs to school because it would probably be a distraction, and they may not meet the school dress code. Not to mention, wearing pajamas would make it even easier for us to fall asleep during class!

There are certain things that are appropriate to wear for certain events. Imagine a wedding where the bride is wearing a basketball uniform. OR think about a person going off to fight in a war and, instead of wearing camo and body armor, they wear their swimming suit. That just doesn’t happen.

Did you know that the Bible actually teaches that Christians should be wearing something special at all times?

The Bible says we should be wearing armor all over our bodies. Not armor that the eye can see but heavy duty spiritual armor.

Ephesians 6:10-13 says, *“Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. 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. 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.”*

See, we constantly need to wear the armor of God because we are constantly in a battle against Satan over decisions to obey God or to disobey Him. And these verses say that if we are wearing the armor of God, we will be able to stand against Satan’s plans.

In the next verses, Ephesians 6:14-17, we learn exactly what the armor of God is: *“Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,**and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.””*

**Wrap Up**

“Just like you wouldn’t go to school in your PJs, or—even more so—how we wouldn’t go to war without the right gear, we shouldn’t go through life without wearing the armor of God all the time.”