Spiritually speaking, keeping Truth around our loins, we will also carry the power to bring forth new life (salvation)!

This new life can be in the form of the Truth of the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ bringing a new convert into God's Kingdom. It may also be in the form of new life as in spiritual growth, and being set free in areas of bondage in our lives.

This applies well with the passage quoted previously from 1 Peter 1:13. We must gird up the loins of our minds with God's Truth. Doing this will help us to align our thinking with His Word and will thus bring new life to our thoughts. When our thoughts and faith are in line with the Bible, our actions will follow.

Conclusion

The importance of the Belt of Truth cannot be overstated.

As with the physical armor of the Roman soldier, the belt must be properly fastened and tied. It must have all the necessary attachments to be effective in battle. Likewise, without the proper applications of spiritual Truths, the rest of the armor will not work properly.

Practice! Practice! Practice!

"For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come." (1 Timothy 4:8)

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"Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth..."

(Ephesians 6:14)

Other Bible References

"Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;"

(1 Peter 1:13)

THE ARMOR OF GOD - THE BELT OF TRUTH

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (John 14:6)

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

(John 1:1)

The Armor of the Roman Soldier

The belt was a critical piece of the Roman armor. It was used for a variety of purposes. Primarily, it held everything together. It was essential in battle! If the soldier fell, or was climbing a hill, or in hand-to-hand combat, and the belt was not securely in place, it could cost him his life!

The Roman soldier's belt carried his equipment. Some such equipment may have included one or more swords, a small shield, a rope, a food pouch, and other such items. Their belts had loops which were used to keep his equipment with him.

Spiritual Applications

TRUTH is the absolute key to effectively using God's spiritual armor. The belt held much of the armor together, it is the same for the spiritual belt and spiritual armor.

If one is skillful in wielding a sword, but does not rightly divide the Word of Truth, their is a strong possibility of leading others astray.

"Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

(2 Timothy 2:15)

It is critical that we study and accurately divide the Word of God. How much, or what quality of study is required to be approved unto God?

The study which is approved unto God, is a study and knowledge of the Bible that brings Him glory and honor. No self is lifted up in God-approved study! No others are led into deception in God-approved study!

The LOINS

While it is logical to wear the belt near one's loins, the Greek word for "loins" is very interesting to note. It is the word "osphys" (see Strong's G3751), and it refers to the center of procreative power.

Therefore, in the natural, the loins are the power center to bring forth new life (birth).