

Shoes of the Gospel of Peace

...feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

Ephesians 6:15

The Contextual Meaning:

Description

1. the shoes themselves
2. the greaves
3. the spikes

The Spiritual Meaning:

A. What is meant by the 'gospel.'

1. Kingdom of Heaven
2. Kingdom of God
3. Light and knowledge in our hearts
4. Treasure and Power of God
5. MORE GOOD NEWS

Five elements desirable in a message which qualify it as good news:

1. A message to be must be *good, joyful to the receiver.*
2. It must be some *great good*, or else it affects little.
3. This great good must intimately concern *them that hear it.*
4. something *unheard of and unlooked for*
5. the news be *true and certain.*

B. What is meant by 'peace,' and why it is attributed to 'the gospel.'

1. Peace with God which we may call *peace of reconciliation.*
2. Peace with ourselves or *peace of conscience.*
3. Peace with one another or *peace of love and unity.*

The blessings of the gospel

Peace of reconciliation- Peace with God

1. Reconciliation with God because of our nature and God's holiness
2. Reconciliation with God through his instrument
3. Reconciliation with God for our life and manner in which we live

Peace of conscience - Peace with ourselves

Peace with one another - peace of love and unity

1. The ministry of John the Baptist:
2. one accord
3. Philo and Agape

C. What is intended by 'the preparation of the gospel of peace,'

The Spiritual Application: