Bible Robes

(Compiled by Paul R. Blake from Internet sources)

Introduction:

- A. Only people in denial say that clothes don't mean a thing.
 - "Clothes make the man. Naked people have little or no influence on society." -- Mark Twain
 - 2. "Sweater a garment worn by a child when its mother is feeling chilly."-- Ambrose Bierce
 - 3. I don't know of a single girl who doesn't wish the "show your boxer-shorts" fashion would go away. Guys, we just don't want to see your underwear. Truthfully, we believe that there is a direct correlation between how much underwear you show and how little you've got between your ears." -- Lisa Samson

I. THE ROBE OF DECEPTION

- A. The father of Joseph gave him a coat to display his love Gen. 37:3
- B. The brothers of Joseph used this coat to deceive their father Gen. 37:31-34
- C. Believing a lie can have the same impact as believing truth Gen. 37:34-35
- D. Many base their standing before God on their feelings Prov. 28:26
- E. Others cloak themselves in words, actions, clothing, etc., intending to mislead 1. Joshua 9:3-6

II. THE ROBE OF CONVICTION

- A. Gen. 39:7-12 Joseph and Potiphar's wife
- B. Purposing beforehand in one's heart is very important in overcoming temptation Daniel 1:8
 - 1. One opens the door to temptation and troubles when he begins to compromise convictions
- C. Some situations demand reason, talk, and persuasion, but others just demand that we run 1Cor. 6:18, 10:14; 1Tim. 6:11; 2Tim. 2:22

III. THE ROBE OF DEDICATION

- A. 1Sam. 1-2 The robe that Hannah weaved for Samuel was a robe of dedication and love
 - 1. Can you imagine what it took for this woman to dedicate to God what she had waited a lifetime to receive?
- B. We need parents who will commit and devote their children to God
 - 1. Psalms 127:3-5

IV. THE ROBE OF HEALING

- A. Mark 5:25-34 There was tradition the Pharisees developed for religious garments, but only one provided healing. And it was less about the robe and more about the power of Christ and the faith of the woman
- B. Jesus' robe was taken from Him when He saved us from our sins
 - 1. John 19:23-24

V. THE ROBE OF FORGIVENESS

A. Luke 15:11-32 - The prodigal son's robe signified that all was forgiven.

1. James 2:13; Eph. 4:32

VI. THE ROBE OF LONELINESS

- A. 2Tim. 4:13 With the exception of Luke, Paul is all alone in his imprisonment, expecting the end of his life.
- B. Possibly, all hope for better days gone Matt. 7:12

VII. THE ROBE OF CHRIST

- A. Gal. 3:26-27; Rom. 13:14
- B. Christ's robe is a robe of many colors
 - 1. Acts 12:8 "Put on your garment and follow me." Get dressed for Christ
 - 2. Eph. 6:11 "Put on the whole armor of God"
 - 3. Col. 3:10 "Put on the new man"
 - 4. Col. 3:12 "Put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering"
 - 5. Col. 3:14 "But above all these things put on love"

VIII. THE ROBE OF WHITE

A. Rev. 3:4-5, 7:9

1. White clothing represents righteousness which is the successful outcome of a tried faith. It means innocence and purity, imputed by God to the one who, walking by faith, avoids the pollutions of the world.

Conclusion:

A. Isa. 61:10; Rev. 19:7-9