

## Completely Covered

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According to GREEK legend, Achilles was the greatest warrior who EVER lived. In HOMER'S Iliad, he was the hero of the Trojan Wars. When he was a baby his mother wanted him to be invulnerable to injury. So, early in his life she took him to the River Styx, believing that it had miraculous powers, held him by his heels and dipped him in the water. Only his heels were NOT covered by the water.

He became a great warrior! Unfortunately, he was killed in battle by an arrow that pierced his heel - the only spot that was NOT covered by the water from the River Styx. It is from this legend that we talk of "our Achilles heel."

Although it is only a legend it teaches us a significant ~~fact~~ fact: Our surrender to Christ must be complete. Paul advises us that we are not "to let any part of our body become a tool of wickedness to be used for sinning... instead... let your whole body be as a tool to do what is right for the glory of God."

SURRENDER is often difficult for some of us for fear that we will fail our Lord. Does this come from the idea that we think we are responsible for victory over sin? We are NOT! It is God working in us and through us that gives us victory over sin through Christ. Whatever we do NOT surrender to God is claimed by Satan and causes us to sin.

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