

Today's Theme:

“Take Up The Shield Of Faith”

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Series: “Dressed For Success- Putting On The Full Armor Of God”- Part 4

“In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil.” Eph. 6:16

Heb. 11:1-16

1. Where Does Faith Rank In The Order Of _____ Things For A Jesus Follower?

- **It's at the _____ of the list!** Eph.6:16; 1Tim 6:11-13
- **Without faith-you'll _____ please God-** Heb.11:6
- **Faith in _____ begins & sustains new life!** 2 Cor. 5:7

2. Think Of Faith As Having _____ Elements To It:

- **Knowledge-** Of _____ we have faith in! Heb.11:1
- **Assent-** We must _____ that what we know is true!
- **Trust-** _____ step- belief becomes following Him. Luke 9:23

What's It Mean To Take Up The Shield OF Faith?

1. The Roman Soldier Had This Larger _____ As An Option To Use When Situations Called For It.

- He carried a _____ mobile shield for combat.
- But took up a _____ shield for intense attacks.

2. We Use Our _____ Like That Shield!

- To actively, daily place our trust in Jesus to defeat each _____ or _____ challenge we face.

How Do You Live That Way?

1. You Must Believe That Trusting God Is _____ To Your Life As A Jesus Follower! Heb. 11:6

3 Things That Open Our Eyes Here

- 1. Your Enemy Is Active & _____ - 1 Peter. 5:7-8**
- 2. Trusting In The Living God Is Not _____ For Your Life To Thrive & Be Fruitful!**
 - Belt of Truth- we live _____ lives!
 - Breastplate of Right- We protect our _____.
 - Standing In the Gospel of Peace- _____ forever.
- 3. By Taking Up The Shield Of Faith- I Endure The Threats I Face To Bearing _____ Jn.15:5**
 - **I have faith in the _____ of God!** Psa. 119:105; Prov. 30:5
 - **I evaluate my _____ first w/ God's promises & teaching in mind!** Jn.17:17
 - **I know my _____ & I trust God's Word over justifying my weakness.** Rom.12:3
 - **Even when I am _____ or stressed I've got faith to go God's Way.** Eph.6:16

Result Is...

My Life Will Now Show The Good Fruit That Comes With Trusting & _____ God Enough To Obey Him! Gal. 5:22-25; John 14:21

Next Week: Father's Day- A Special Dad's Day Message- See You then!!