

54. Your Shield of Faith

"Take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand firm therefore ... in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one," Ephesians 6:13-16.

The fourth piece of the armor is the shield of faith. That shield is full trust in the

Lord. A believer should take up the shield of faith to extinguish the flaming arrows of Satan. Satan is shooting flaming arrows at you! Your protection is the shield of faith. Take up that shield to protect yourself. It extinguishes those flaming arrows. If you are not fully trusting in the Lord, then Satan's arrows are not being extinguished.

Are Satan's flaming arrows getting through your defenses? Take up the shield of faith. Psalm 91:1-5 says, "He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress, My God, in whom I trust!' for it is He who delivers you from the snare of the trapper and from

the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with His pinions, and under His wings you may seek refuge; His faithfulness is a shield and bulwark. You will not be afraid of the terror by night, or of the arrow that flies by day." Be watchful of Satan ... but do not be afraid. Take up your shield of faith. It extinguishes Satan's flaming arrows. God is "a shield to those who take refuge in Him," Proverbs 30:5. Take refuge in your Lord. He will be your shield.

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