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Take Up: Shield of Faith

14 Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, 15 and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. **16 In all circumstances take up the *shield of faith*, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one;** 17 and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God,

Ephesians 6:14-17

16 In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; **Ephesians 6:16**

Take up the Shield of Faith...

1) As a Defensive Weapon

When the enemy tries to *distract* you.

When the enemy tries to *isolate* you.

2) As an Offensive Weapon

I Peter 1:3-9

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for

you, 5 who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6 In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. 8 Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, 9 obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Believing trust in Him

Romans 1:16-17

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. 17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

This faith is...

Imperishable (Psalm 145:13)

Undefiled (Psalm 19:7-8)

Unfading (Psalm 34:5)

Expectant impact for Him

Hebrews 11:1, 6

1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

6 And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.

Colossians 2:6-7

6 Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, 7 rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

Victorious hope with Him

I John 5:4

4 For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith.