

The Full Armor of God (Ephesians 6:16-17) Part 4

- I. Take Up the Shield of Faith (Ephesians 6:16)
 - A. What it is
 - B. What it did: blocked flaming missiles (! John 5:4)
 - C. How it was used for the team *Faith Beyond Belief 66-67
 - D. Strong faith is confidence in God's love, ability, wisdom and timing
 - E. Little faith is what the disciples had
 - 1. Matthew 6:30-33
 - 2. Matthew 8:23-26
 - 3. Matthew 16:5-12
 - 4. Matthew 17:19-20
 - 5. Matthew 21:21-22 – believe you have received and rejoice
 - 6. James 1:5-8
 - F. Great faith is what we should have – the centurion
 - G. Growing faith will get you there 'I do believe, help my unbelief'
 - 1. Listen to Christ proclaimed (Romans 10:17)
 - 2. Read the Gospel of John (20:31)
 - 3. Ask God for more faith (Luke 17:3-5)
 - 4. Spend time with other Christians (Hebrews 10:23-25)
 - 5. Respond rightly to difficulties (2 Thessalonians 1:3-4)
 - 6. Record what God has done and thank Him for it
 - 7. Tell God there is no one like Him! *Faith Beyond Belief, 31
 - 8. Give everything back to God (Hebrews 11:17-19)
 - 9. Claim God's promises (Romans 4:20-21)

- II. Take the Helmet of Salvation (Ephesians 6:17)
 - A. What it is
 - B. What it did: blocked doubt, discouragement, quit, lust, anger
 - C. Take every thought captive (2 Corinthians 10:5)
 - *Designed to be Like Him, 251, 255
 - D. Receive it as a gift (Romans 6:23, Ephesians 2:8)
 - Spiritual birth certificates!
 - E. What it grows: assurance (John 10:27-29, Romans 8:38-39, 1 Peter 1:3-4, 1 John 5:13)
 - 1. Optimist (2 Corinthians 2:14; Romans 8:37) *Kent, 54
 - 2. Pessimist phrases
 - 3. Optimist phrases
 - F. The Best is Yet to Come!