

WALKING WITH JESUS

IN THE FULL ARMOUR OF GOD.

EPHESIANS 6:11

- *“Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”*

WHAT IS THE SHIELD OF FAITH?

- THE SHIELD OF FAITH IS ONE OF THE FOUNDATIONAL DOCTRINES OF THE OF CHRISTIAN LIFE. IT IS THE MEANS BY WHICH WE RECEIVED SALVATION, WALK WITH GOD, OVERCOME TRIALS, AND PLEASE HIM. FAITH IS NOT MERELY POSITIVE THINKING OR INTELLECTUAL AGREEMENT; IT IS COMPLETE TRUST AND CONFIDENCE IN GOD AND IN HIS WORD.

TEXT: HEBREWS 11:1-3

- "Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ² This is what the ancients were commended for.
- ³ By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible."

UNDERSTANDING OF FAITH.

- **I.THE DEFINITION OF FAITH.[HEBREWS 11:1].**
- “ Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. ”

UNDERSTANDING OF FAITH

- A . Faith Gives assurance for the future.
- “Now faith is confidence in what we hope for ”
- B. Faith Gives Conviction about the unseen.
- “assurance about what we do not see”

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- C. Faith Depends on God's Faithfulness.
- “By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command.”
- D. Faith Demonstrates it self Through Obedience.
- The examples throughout Hebrews 11.

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- **II. THE SOURCE OF FAITH. Romans 10:14-15.**
- “¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent?

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- Romans 10:17
- “Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

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- A. Faith Comes From Hearing God's Word.
- The more we hear, study, meditate God's Word, and obey Scripture, the stronger our faith becomes.
- B. Faith is a gift from God. Ephesians 2:8-9.

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- **III. THE OBJECT OF FAITH. JOHN 14:1**
- “ “Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God^[a]; believe also in me. ”

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- True Faith is Centered on:
- A. God the Father.
- B. Jesus Christ.
- C. The Holy Spirit.
- D. The Word of God.

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- **IV. THE CHARACTERISTICS OF BIBLICAL FAITH.**
- A. Faith Believes God. Genesis 15:6
- “Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.”

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- B. Faith Obeys God. Hebrews 11:8.
- “By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. ”

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- C. Faith Produces Perseverance. James 1:3.
- “Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters,^[a] whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance.”

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- **V. DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF FAITH.**
- A. Saving Faith.
- B. Living by Faith.
- C. Growing Faith. 2 Thessalonians 1:3
- D. Victorious Faith. 1 John 5:4.

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- **VI. ENEMIES OF FAITH.**

- a. Unbelief.

- b. Doubt

- c. Worry Mark 9:24 “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief.

- d. Worldliness

- e. Ignorance of God’s words

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- **VII. HOW TO STRENGTHEN FAITH.**
- A. Study God's Word. Romans 10:17
- B. Pray regularly. Luke 17:5.
- C. Remember God's faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22-23
- D. Fellowship with believers. Hebrews 10:24-25.
- E. Practice Obedience.

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- VIII. THE REWARDS OF FAITH.
- A. Salvation.
- B. Peace with God.
- C. Answered Prayer.
- D. Spiritual Victory.
- E. Divine Guidance.
- F. Eternal Life.

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CHALLENGE

- 1. Faith gives Assurance for the Future.
 - "The substance of things hope for."
- 2. Faith Gives Conviction about the Unseen.
 - "The evidence of things not seen."
- 3. Faith Depends on God's Faithfulness.
 - "God's Character is the Foundation of Faith."
- 4. Faith Demonstrates Itself Through Obedience.
 - "The example of the men and women of Faith in the Bible."

CHALLENGE

- Faith sees God's promises as certain before they become visible realities. It trust God, rest on His Word, and obeys Him regardless of circumstances. As some one said, **“Faith is believing God's Word and acting on it, no matter how I feel, because God promises a good result.” Amen !!!!!..**