

Sermon Notes 03/22/26 – Ephesians 6:16-17

The last 3 pieces of armor speak of Who Christ is in You! (Present Tense)

1. Take up the Shield of Faith!
 - A. Purpose: to quench the fiery darts of the evil one! The faith to which Paul refers here is not the body of Christian beliefs, but basic truth in God, which leads us to act on those beliefs. **Faith is acting on belief.**
 - B. Shield of faith covers us entirely against the fiery darts!
(Psalm 5:12, Proverbs 30:5, 1 John 5:4,5)
 - C. Faith is like a shield - faith bears the blows for the man himself/everything is connected. Faith bears the brunt of these arrows by appropriating the truth!
(Psalm 34:15-18)

2. Helmet of Salvation.

Complete salvation - Past, Present, Future - covered!

Past - sins are forgiven.

Present - Freed from the present power of sin in our lives.

Future - Hope we have as Christians that we are going to heaven.
(1 Thessalonians 5:8, 1 Peter 1:3, 4)

Complete Assurance!

No Memory Verse or Scripture Challenges this week!