The Good News

Shield of Faith (Part 5/8)

PUT ON THE FULL ARMOR OF GOD



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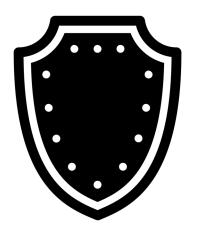
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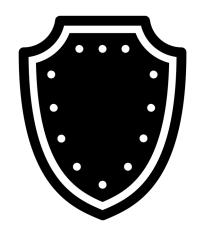
EPHESIANS 6:10

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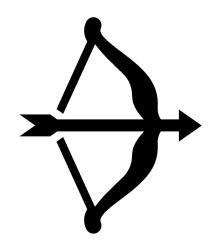
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Key Words

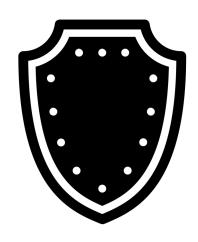
- Shield thyreos (θυρεός) G2375
 - https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g2375/esv/mgnt/0-1/
 - 1x in GNT
 - a shield, a large oblong, four cornered shield
- Faith *pistis* (**πίστις**) G4102
 - https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g4102/esv/mgnt/0-1/
 - 243x in GNT
 - 8x in Ephesians itself
- Darts (arrows) belos (βέλος) G956
 - https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g956/esv/mgnt/0-1/
 - 1x in GNT
 - a missile, dart, javelin, arrow
- Wicked One ponēros (πονηρός) G4190
 - https://www.blueletterbible.org/lexicon/g4190/esv/mgnt/0-1/
 - 78x in GNT
 - 3x in Ephesians but with the article in 6:16 (the wicked one)







Fiery Darts



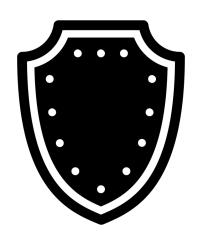
Shield of Faith

Ephesians 1:11-14

Read Together

Faith in Ephesians (1:13 NKJV)

In Him you also [trusted], after you **heard** the **word** of truth, the **gospel** of your salvation; in whom also, **having believed**, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,



If it is a Shield *of Faith,* it must be related to God's Word in some way!

Proverbs 30:1-6

Read Together

God's Word as a Shield

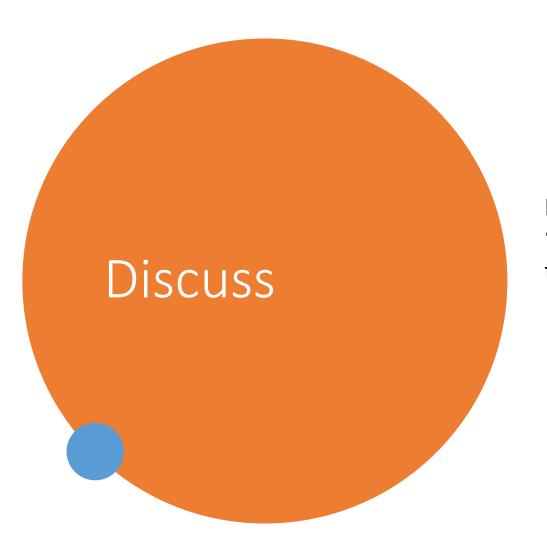
[Pro 30:5 NKJV] Every **word** of God [is] pure; He [is] a **shield** to those who put their trust in Him.

[Psa 119:114 NKJV] You [are] my hiding place and my **shield**; I hope in Your **word**.

[2Sa 22:31 NKJV] [As for] God, His way [is] perfect; The **word** of the LORD [is] proven; He [is] a **shield** to all who trust in Him.

Ephesians 6:10-13

Read Together



In the battleground painted in Eph 6:10-18, who is "the evil one"? Who are the flaming arrows coming from? (See v11, v12)

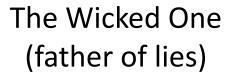
The Devil (John 8:44 NKJV)

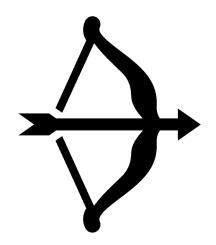
You are of [your] father the **devil**, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a **murderer from the beginning**, and does not stand in the truth, because **there is no truth in him**. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own [resources], for **he is a liar and the father of it**.

The Wicked One (Matthew 13:19 NKJV)

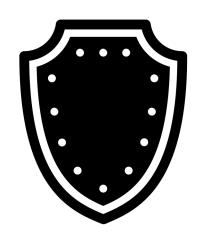
When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand [it], then the wicked [one] comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is he who received seed by the wayside.







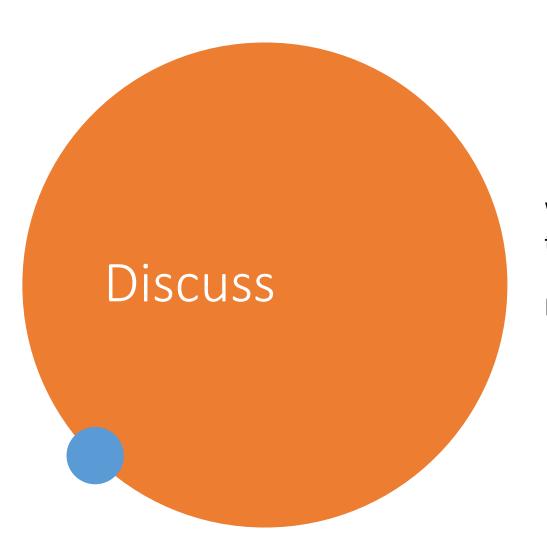
Fiery Darts (lies, confusion, distortions)



Shield of Faith (God's Word)

Recap

- Wicked One the attack has always been to distort or contradict God's word
- Fiery Darts Lies or confusion about God's word
- Shield of Faith effective defense when we take hold of God's Word by faith



What are some examples of flaming arrows you can think of or have experienced?

How is God's Word a shield against these?

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