

Shield of Faith

8.12.12

Ephesians 6:16

Sermon Discussion Questions:

- 1) How do worry, anxiety, and fear indicate the presence of spiritual warfare? What are we to do when these "symptoms" of spiritual warfare begin to appear? Does any level of worry, anxiety or fear indicate spiritual warfare or only "irrational fear"?
- 2) What is the kind of faith that provides a shield from Satan's attacks? What is the significance that the shield is faith and not righteousness?
- 3) How are faith and obedience related?
- 4) How does asking for faith in the midst of a trial help you take up the shield of faith? How much faith do you need (see also Luke 17:6)?
- 5) How can you let others exercise faith on your behalf (see also James 5:16)? How does the faith of surrounding community help increase the faith of the person going through a difficult time?
- 6) How does giving glory to God increase or strengthen faith (see also Romans 4:20)? What does it mean to give glory to God?
- 7) Are there "attacks" going on in your life currently and causing worry, fear and anxiety? How can you take up the shield of faith and stand firm?