

Title: Taking Up the Shield of Faith
Text: Ephesians 6:16
Series: Living Life Loved by God

I. Taking up the shield of faith involves TRUSTING in the PERSON, PROVISION, and PROMISES OF GOD

II. The “Flaming Darts of the Evil One” are the Attacks of Satan Against Believers...

- “Flaming Darts” can be aimed at our...
 - Minds and hearts (2 Corinthians 4:4; Acts 5:3)
 - Bodies (2 Corinthians 12:7)
 - Churches (Revelation 2:10)
 - Loved Ones (Job 1:13-21)

- “Flaming Darts” Include ...
 - Temptations (Matthew 4:3-9)
 - Persecutions (1 Timothy 3:12)
 - Opposition (1 Thessalonians 2:18)
 - Deception (Revelation 12:9)
 - Accusations (Revelation 12:10)
 - Pressures (2 Corinthians 11:28)

- “Flaming Darts” Do Damage by Creating...
 - Discouragement (1 Kings 19)
 - Distraction (Matthew 16:23)
 - Distrust (Genesis 3:1-6)
 - Despair (2 Corinthians 4:8)
 - Discord (Ephesians 4:26-27)
 - Doubt (Psalm 73)

When “Flaming Darts” hit their target, they can...

- Silence Us from Spreading Hope
- Stop Us from Serving God
- Stunt our Spiritual Growth
- Get us to Sin
- Spread their Damaging Effects to Others

III. We Take Up the Shield of Faith by Reviewing what God says and Applying it to the Point of Attack ...

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