

TAKE UP
the Shield of Faith
Ephesians 6:10-16

Recap

- Spiritual war in a spiritual realm being revealed in a physical environment effecting physical entities
- The Belt of Truth sets a standard we are to live by
- The Breastplate of Righteousness guards our hearts from the waywardness of life's issues
- The Shoes of Peace provide us with both the ability to crush the chaos which then provides the peace

Transitioning...what we wear to...

- **Take up or hold up the shield...**
- **The English Standard Version –**
 - “In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one.”

Roman Shield called a Scutum



Testudo or Foulkon





Protection from the flames



circle the wagons



The Shield by itself will not extinguish



The shield of **FAITH**

--1 John 5:4

“FOR EVERY CHILD OF **GOD** DEFEATS
THIS EVIL WORLD, AND WE ACHIEVE
THIS VICTORY THROUGH OUR FAITH.”

3 Things to Take With You

- You are a child of God IF you have accepted Christ
- To defeat something or someone means you are in a battle (doesn't matter what you see, that ain't faith)
- Victory is attainable, possible, and inevitable but only when we put our faith before our flesh