

How Can You

House of the Lord

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Ephesians 6:16 (NAS)

in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil *one*.

The Shield of faith - _____

James 1:22 (NAS)

But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.

James 2:14 (NAS)

What use is it, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but he has no works? Can that faith save him?

Faith is trust in what God said and in He who has spoken it.

We are to take it up - _____

James 1:25 (NAS)

But one who looks intently at the perfect law, the *law* of liberty, and abides by it, not having become a forgetful hearer but an effectual doer, this man will be blessed in what he does.

James 1:21 (NAS)

Therefore, putting aside all filthiness and *all* that remains of wickedness, in humility receive the word implanted, which is able to save your souls.

Implanted – or – engrafted, it now produces the fruit of rightstanding with God, not our natural or human response.

Extinguish - _____

Flaming arrows - _____

James 3:6 (NAS)

And the tongue is a fire, the *very* world of iniquity; the tongue is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of *our* life, and is set on fire by hell.

If human/natural words are a flame, how much more the words of the evil one.

When we engage Romans 12:2, we are on course to replace fear and doubt, with faith in Truth.

Romans 12:2 (NAS)

And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Coming to understand 2 Corinthians 5:17 is a process, not an occurrence.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (NAS)

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, *he is* a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

The washing of the carnal/natural mind is the first step towards faith.

Ephesians 5:26 (NAS)

so that He might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,

Psalms 119:9 (NAS)

How can a young man keep his way pure?
By keeping *it* according to Your word.

Psalms 119:11 (NAS)

Your word I have treasured in my heart,
That I may not sin against You.

Ephesians 4:22-24 (NAS)

and that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, ²⁴ and put on the new self, which in *the likeness of God* has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

Faith is another way of saying trust in God!

How can you trust what you do not know or have engrafted to yourself?

“Taking up the shield of faith” indicates an action one takes. It is not automatic or “given” to you. You must actively engage it.

Using or applying this shield, separator, barrier, “you” quench, not you ask God to.

“Get thee behind me satan” is a command of authority one must exercise to gain the advantage over his lies.

“Extinguish all”

2 Peter 1:4 (NAS)

For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world by lust.

The Word of promise that refutes the lie opposing you, will effect escape/extinguishing.

Lust = desire for, want, need, lack at the base or natural level.

Ephesians 6:16 (NLT)

In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil.

It will be most difficult to walk in the miracles, signs and wonders arena when still bound by human intellect or natural mindset.