

#### The Shield of Faith:

This is not redeeming faith, but faith that totally trusts in God and His word!!!

Habakkuk 2:4; "Look at the proud! They trust in themselves, and their lives are crooked. But the righteous will live by their faithfulness to God."

## 1) The Reason For the Shield of Faith: v.16

1 John 2:16; "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life is not of the Father but is of the world."



a)Doubt: v.1

b)Denial: v.4

c)Deceit: v.5

d)Defeat:

### Example Jesus in the wilderness: Matthew 4:3-9

- Satan tempted Jesus to distrust His Father in three areas:
- a)The Father's provision: lust of the flesh b)The Father's protection: lust of the eyes c)The Father's plan: the pride of life

#### Example: You and I

- •The lust of the flesh is keeping us from completely trusting in the goodness and faithfulness of the Lord.
- The lust of the eyes is being lured away from the Lord and His plans by the attractions of the world.
- The pride of life is the boasting of one's on ability.

# 2) The Reliability of the Shield of Faith:

Psalm 37:25-26; "I have been young," and now am old; yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His descendants begging bread. His is ever merciful, and lends; and His descendants are blessed."

Philippians 4:18-19; "At the moment I have all I need and more! I am generously supplied with the gifts you sent me with Epaphroditus. They are a sweet smelling sacrifice that is acceptable and pleasing to God. And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from His glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus."

2 Samuel 22:1-4; "Then David spoke to the Lord the words of this song, on the day when the Lord had delivered him from the hand of all his enemies, and from the hand of Saul. And he said: The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; the God of my strength, in Him I will trust, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge; my Savior, you save me for violence. I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised; so shall I be saved from my enemies.'

Psalm 84:11-12; "For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly. O Lord of host, blessed is the man who trusts in You!!!"

Jeremiah 29:11; "For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

# Question: Do you have faith in this faith?

### 3) Our Reestablishing the Shield of Faith:

Proverbs tell us; "He is a shield to those who take refuge in Him..."

1 John 5:4; "This is the victory that has overcome the world, our faith."