



THE SHIELD OF FAITH

There are all kinds of conflicting reports about the virus and the reasons to quarantine. But, whatever the real story, we still have hope! And we can still be more than an overcomer (Romans 8:31-39)!

I'm continuing in the Armor of God in Ephesians 6:10-18 on Sundays. Looking at the shield of faith, we see that it's only through faith that we extinguish ALL the fiery arrows of the evil one!

When we do not apply this faith against the evil one, we experience anxiety, panic, fears of all kinds, anger, uncertainty of the future, temptations, a relapse back into drugs and alcohol, etc., etc. In essence, we are defeated.

In Hebrews 11:6 we read that without faith it is impossible to please God. Philippians 4:6-7 tells we do not have to be anxious but, instead, we are to pray WITH thanksgiving. By exchanging the energy it takes to be anxious and replacing that with prayer and faith we will overcome and experience the peace of God which surpasses our understanding!

Praying in faith WITH thanksgiving is a powerful weapon against the enemy's relentless attacks. Looking at our circumstances through the lens of faith AND thanksgiving, we can experience great peace in great trial because He is a Great Savior.

The attached painting by Steve Goad clearly pictures our warfare in this season. Stand firm warriors! Our God IS victorious in all things Remember the verse in John 16:33 "...be of good cheer, I have overcome the world."