

The Fight of Emunah-Faith



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Timtheous Alef-1Tim.6: 12-Every believer must protect the measure of faith granted him or her. Every believer must shomer, nurture and protect his or her faith, or it will be lost to the enemy. s.a.tan wants to steal, kill and destroy your faith and thus your profession in Yahshua. It is the best defense you have in this life. s.a.tan is determined to steal and decrease it. If you are not willing to fight for your faith, you will lose it. Diminished faith is lost faith!

Your faith is the 'great shield used to extinguish all the fiery arrows of the wicked one. Ephsiyah/Ephesians 6:16. Ivrim/Hebrews 11:1- Defines faith.

The three main missiles of s.a.tan to destroy that shield are:

Shipwrecked faith comes by:

- (1.) Mind cluttering garbage: Overdoses of T.V. and Radio, newspapers, magazines, sports trivia and any other overindulgence. Gossip columns, idle babblings, soap operas and other forms of false knowledge. Good things are not necessarily the same as things of Yahuwah. Timtheous Alef/1Tim. 6: 20-21- a believer's precious faith can go astray if he is preoccupied with worldly, empty chatter. This junk can terminally destroy your faith. The zeal for Yah must consume you. Philipsiyah/Phil.1: 21, Timtheous Bet/2 Tim.2: 4-5- Soldiers do not get entangled with the affairs of this world. A soldier seeks after YHWH alone-Philipsiyah/Phil.3: 10. All the treasures of wisdom are found in Yahshua-Coloseyah/ Col.2: 3. True science - is the study of Yahshua.
- (2.) Biblical Illiteracy- Romiyah/Rom.10: 17- Faith comes by hearing and studying Yah's Word; studying, hearing and meditating. Ivrim/Heb.4: 12.Yah's Word is sent to energize your faith.
- (3.) Inactive Response- to the Word-Ivrim/Heb.4: 2- Believing Jews and non-believing Jews both heard the same Word. The non-believing Jews didn't mix the Besorah

message with faith. Had they had faith in His Word they would have become active. If we don't respond to His Word with an active response, our faith will eventually be stolen. Romiyah/Rom.1: 22- the unsaved Jews heard Yahshua's teaching, but did not respond. Losing ones' faith is often a result of a lack of commitment to activate the Word through obedient unilateral immediate and dedicated ongoing action. Be a doer and not a hearer only. (Yaakov/James 1:22).

Close: Sadly, often the final act from those who have experienced stolen faith, as a child of YHWH is to accuse YHWH wrongly. Children of YHWH who don't learn to fight for their faith, might as well go to heaven right away. They are useless warriors in this life, having succumbed in the fight for emunah! They will not experience any promises of abundance in this life as Yisrael. Or knowing what it is like to overcome s.a.tan in their body, as did our Master.