



**S T A N D I N G**  
**STRONG**

**Standing in Faith and  
Salvation**

**Ephesians 6:16-17, Hebrews 11:1-3, 6**

# What is Faith?

- Our God is abundant in love and steadfast in mercy. He saves us, not because we trust in a symbol, but because we trust in a Savior. Max Lucado

# Why Does Faith Matter?

- Faith requires a personal commitment
- Faith flows through conversion
- Faith creates connection within the church
- Faith generates community within the church
- Faith brings Christian freedom

# Ephesians 6:16

- Stand firm and take up the shield of faith with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.  
Ephesians 6:16

# The Role of the Shield

- The shield allows withstanding attack
- The shield focuses attention
- The shield brings the possibility of arrangement
- The shield gives assurance of stability

# Hebrews 11:1-3

- **<sup>1</sup> Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. <sup>2</sup> This is what the ancients were commended for. <sup>3</sup> By faith we understand that the universe was formed at God's command, so that what is seen was not made out of what was visible.**

# Hebrews 11:6

- **And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.**

# The Role of Faith

- Faith is the source of hope
- Faith generates genuine certainty
- Faith is the source of understanding
- Faith is means that God is pleased

# What is Salvation?

- God's salvation does not come in response to a changed life. A changed life comes in response to the salvation, offered as a free gift. - Timothy Keller
- Salvation is deliverance from sin
- Salvation reveals our dependence
- Salvation is the end of death
- Salvation is the beginning of dedication

# The Role of the Helmet

- Stand firm and take the helmet of salvation Ephesians 6:17
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- The helmet protected the head
- The helmet could not be pierced
- The helmet proved position

# The Purpose of Salvation

- Salvation protects the spirit for eternity
- Salvation cannot be penetrated
- Salvation reveals our place in Christ

# How Should We Handle Faith and Salvation?

- Both will lead to spiritual life
- Both bring stability in life
- Both are meant to be shared
- Both are the steadfast reasons for the church
- Both give strength in the daily grind