

Pastor's Weekly Devotional- October 6, 2016

“The Lord Our Shield”

Genesis 14 and 15 describe a battle between kings. Abraham was present when this took place. But he remained neutral. However, the victorious kings kidnapped his nephew (Lot) along with all his possessions. At this point, Abraham went into action against the four kings; he defeated them and rescued Lot.

This seems a wonderful story with a great ending. However, Abraham now had some powerful enemies – 4 kings. But in the midst of his fears God assured him: “Do not be afraid Abraham for I will protect you (literally, “I will be your shield” (Genesis 15:1).

Abraham believed God and God declared him righteous because of his faith (Genesis15:6), David also knew that “God was his shield from every danger” including Goliath (Psalms 28:7). The great Apostle Paul wrote that one of his strategies against Satan is “using the Shield of Faith” (Ephesians 6:16).

Similarly, whatever are your fears – whether real or imagined – know that God is your Helper. He is your Shield and Protector. The Lord has proven Himself equal to anything the enemy of our souls can send your way. He is absolutely trustworthy and dependable. He will be there when you need Him the most. Here's an encouraging line from a song I love...

*Jesus knows all about our struggles,
He will guide all the day long;
There's not a friend like the lovely Jesus,
No, not one! No not one!*

Have a blessed week. See you in church Sunday.
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