

Getting After the Weeds: Fiery Darts!

Eph 6:16 "...above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all **the fiery darts of the wicked one.**"

I am listing those things that "zing" me and penetrate deeply piecing to the inner most parts of my being. After I identify them I am going to search out the source and/or Word of God that directly applies to that weed. I am going to pray, cast down, and remember the promises of God's Word to replace, heal, and restore my heart to one that agrees with and pleases God. This is the shield of faith in action that quenches ALL THE FIERY DARTS OF THE WICKED ONE!

1) I am afraid that God will not do what He promises in regards to healing, deliverance, provision, protection...

(God is not slack: 2Pe 3:9 The **Lord is not slack concerning His promise**, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

...God is no respecter of persons Lu 20:21 Then they asked Him, saying, "Teacher, we know that You say and teach rightly, and **You do not show personal favoritism**, but teach the way of God in truth:

Ga 2:6 But from those who seemed to be something—whatever they were, it makes no difference to me; **God shows personal favoritism to no man**—for those who seemed *to be something* added nothing to me.

; **it is the same Jesus in me** that is in anyone that has received and **God moved in**...2Pe 1:21 for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke *as they were* **moved by the Holy Spirit.**

Col 1:27 To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: **which is Christ in you**, the hope of glory.) Faith believes God's Word and knows He has already done it...and will manifest what He's said and done as I act upon it.

2) I am afraid of praying, laying my hands upon someone in His name and nothing happening again. (What if nothing happens?)

(Got to see it on the inside! I use my imagination and see God doing it! God is faithful to complete His word (He is not a liar)...God moved in me too! "Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, **believe that you receive them**, and you will have *them*. **God has authorized me to consider my prayer ANSWERED!** 1Co 2:14 But **the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him**; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned. 1Jo 4:18 **There is no fear in love**; but perfect love casts out fear, because **fear involves torment**. But **he who fears has not been made perfect in love**.) **Faith knows doubt doesn't; "what if"...reflects unbelief in my heart**. The Spirit knows, the flesh does not, God does not lie...**what He says, He will do**...only believe it from the heart! When nothing happens it isn't because God didn't give, it is because I didn't receive and hold onto it. **Hindrances**: doubt, unbelief, willful sin, disobedience, devil, letting go due to NATURAL unbelief, will of others for them, failures of the past...

3) I am afraid of looking foolish before men.

(Receive Honor from God not men...John 5:44 "**How can you believe**, who receive *honor from one another*, **and do not seek the honor that comes from the only God?** I will be even more

foolish that God will be glorified; I'll become even more undignified than this! 1Co 2:14 But **the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him**; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned. 1Jo 4:18 **There is no fear in love**; but perfect love casts out fear, because **fear involves torment**. But **he who fears has not been made perfect in love.**) Fear God not men...

4) I have prayed many times and like blanks nothing has happened.

(Believe you have received...Mk 11:24 “Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, **believe that you receive *them***, and you will have *them*. **God has authorized me to consider my prayer ANSWERED!** I gave up (didn't hold on) then but I will let go no more...**Faith rests** in God's word ALONE not on what is seen 1Pe 1:13 **Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace** that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; Heb 4:11 Let us therefore be diligent to **enter that rest**, lest anyone fall according to the same example of disobedience.) Speak to the mountain, the ailment, the spirit, and the subjected things, command in His name **by authority given by God alone**. Believe the Word of God and signs will follow; believing produces seeing...insisting that we see first then believe isn't faith...that is seeking signs! **Signs follow those who believe...those who don't believe follow signs!**

5) I am influenced by what I sense, see, hear, feel, or touch more than God's Word.

(Have faith in God's Word alone—this is faith; I am a spirit being with the Holy Spirit I look and see the

unseen eternal more powerful truth that overcomes the *lesser temporal* world of *lying (temporary) vanities* 2Co 4:18 **So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen**; For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal. 1Co 2:14 **But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God**, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.)

I fast and pray to break the bondage to the flesh. **I receive in my spirit** from the Lord of Spirits the answer before I see it in the flesh.

6) I am afraid that God will not show UP...

(God will never leave you **NOR FORSAKE YOU** Heb 13:5 Let *your* conduct *be* without covetousness; *be* content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "**I will never leave you nor forsake you.**"

I know God and have faith in Him)

Ps 118:8 *It is* better to trust in the LORD Than to put confidence in man.

Heb. 10: 35 **Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward.**

36 For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise:

7) I see images of failure and unbelief.

(**Cast down ALL imaginations and arguments** that exalt themselves against The Word and Will of God in Christ Jesus 2Co 10:5 **casting down arguments** and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, **bringing every thought into captivity** to the obedience of Christ...**My imagination is God's sanctified ground** in my mind and heart Col 3:2 **Set your mind on things above (eternal & true)**, not on things on the earth. 1Co 2:16 For "who has known

the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him?" **But we have the mind of Christ.** Ps 119:27 Make me understand the way of Your precepts; **So shall I meditate on Your wondrous works. I Imagine God's Will done in my life!** This present world is fallen, cursed, and rebellious but must submit to God's will when we speak in His power & name.

8) I get angry at God for not moving even if he's supposed to have already done it—where's the manifestation? My faith is so little respected that God won't do what He's already done.

(God is not a liar like me; He is no respecter of persons, **I have been given faith even as a mustard seed...**I rebuke my unbelief...I will trust in God; **turn my anger towards the lying vanities,** [Jonah 2:8 Those observing **lying vanities their own mercy forsake.**] rebellious circumstances and **speak to the mountain!** Mt 17:20 So Jesus said to them, "**Because of your unbelief;** for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, **you will say to this mountain (of unbelief!),** 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.) God has already done His part; He has already decided... Eph 3:20 Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, **according to the power that works in us (me),**

9) I seem to believe I must convince God of my faith not the flesh, the circumstances, or the devil.

(I speak to the mountain and to the *lying vanities* to submit in the authority of Jesus' name...**I am authorized to consider the prayer answered!** I praise and thank God for the matter *already in my heart as done*...before I see it in this world Da 2:23 "To Thee, O God of my fathers, **I give thanks and praise, For Thou hast given me wisdom and power;** Even now Thou hast made known to me

what we requested of Thee, For Thou hast made known to us the king's matter." 1Ch 16:35 And say, "Save us, O God of our salvation; Gather us together, and deliver us from the (world) Gentiles, To give thanks to Your holy name, To triumph in Your praise." 1Th 5:18 in **everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.)**

10) It seems that God is reluctant, holding back, waiting for purer faith without doubts, and no unbelief.

(God is not slack in His promises towards me...God is the initiator not me; He is **the same Jesus in me as in anyone else! Heb 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same** yesterday, today, and forever.) God has already decided and given His grace...I am to believe and receive it done! God is watching over His word to perform it! God has already done His part He is not the problem, He's already given His name, His grace, His Spirit, I am the problem, it is a receiving thing...

11) I have felt responsible when others do not receive their healing when I have prayed for them.

(Each one must be responsible for their belief, faith, doubts and unbelief...How can they believe if they have not heard? Ro 10:14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? I am not responsible for another's unbelief & doubt.)

12) I want to be validated.

(God validates *His Word and faith in His Word!* He confirms it working with me...Mr 16:20 Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the **Lord worked with (Me) them and confirmed his word** by the signs that accompanied it.)

13) I want God's best and get discouraged when I fail to receive.

(**Pressing onto** the high calling in Christ, **I forget and leave behind** all my failures; everyone who succeeds fails...Have faith in God!)

He who overcomes shall receive the crown of life. Faith is the victory that overcomes the world. God is glorified when I receive...Ask anything in my name and I will do it that the Father may be glorified and your joy may be full!

14) I tend to see the negatives and failures and not accept or credit the successes.

(But meditate on what is good, true, faithful, honest, and righteous Php 4:8 Finally, brothers, **whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable**—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—**think about such things**; **Feed On His Faithfulness!** Ps 37:3 **Trust in the LORD**, and do good; Dwell in the land, and **feed on His faithfulness**)

16) I don't **validate the subtle answers** but give **more credence** to the consequential results, happenstance, luck, or fortune (Like the Creation vs. Evolution debate we are looking at the same evidence and interpreting it from our own world view--**secular**) Fortune or faith, reality or luck, a miracle of healing or just good news; coincidence or providence!

(God is in the subtle **still small voice** and circumstances of life Ec 9:11 I returned and saw under the sun that—The race *is* not to the swift, Nor the battle to the strong, Nor bread to the wise, Nor riches to men of understanding, Nor favor to men of skill; **But time and chance happen to them all...** Ps 5:12 For **You, O LORD, will bless the righteous; With favor You will surround him as**

with a shield. Pr 8:35 For whoever finds me finds life, **And obtains favor from the LORD;**

Pr 11:27 He who earnestly seeks good finds favor, But trouble will come to him who seeks *evil*.

Pr 12:2 **A good man obtains favor from the LORD,** But a man of wicked intentions He will condemn...**have God's world view** not those of unbelief; **in heaven there is no chance**; be faithful in little and He will make you faithful in much... Lu 16:10 "**He who is faithful in what is least** is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in *what is least* is unjust also in much. Phm 1:6 that **the sharing of your faith may become effective by the acknowledgment of every good thing** which is in you in Christ Jesus. There is no chance or luck in Heaven! Learn to trust, depend, and know faith in God.)

17) I am afraid of not remaining in faith!

(I do not doubt God's will for provision, protection, salvation, healing, wisdom—I know its God's Will! No doubts! **He is the author and finisher, Heb 12:2 looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith**, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

His grace is sufficient for me! Co 12:9 And He said to me, "**My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.**" Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, **that the power of Christ may rest upon me. I wax strong in faith by keeping the promises of God ever before daily!**)

18) I am bound by past experiences that keep me from being free:

(Php 3:13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing ***I do, forgetting those things which are behind*** and reaching forward to

those things which are ahead, Phip. 3:14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 2Co 5:17 Therefore, if anyone *is* in Christ, *he is* a new creation; **old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.** Acts 11: 9 "But the voice answered me again from heaven, '**What God has cleansed you must not call common.**' Isa 65:17 "For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth; And **the former shall not be remembered or come to mind.** Ps 103:12 **As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us.**) It is unbelief to reject this...

19) People are *not* interested or **are not into Healing, Deliverance, the power of God...**

(Limiting God; **hardened hearts**; their image and imagination does not include it; John 14:12 "Most assuredly, I say to you, **he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also**; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father. Ro 10:14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? **And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard?** Mr 16:20 **Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.** Jer 1:8 **Do not be afraid of their faces, For I *am* with you to deliver you," says the LORD. Lu 12:4 "And I say to you, My friends, **do not be afraid** of those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. Ac 18:9 Now the Lord spoke to Paul in the night by a vision, **"Do not be afraid, but speak, and do not keep silent :**)**

20) I fear that the delay is God testing my faith; He is waiting for my faith to be good enough.

(God is not unpredictable He has already given, poured out, and bestowed...doing His Part! ...**according to the power that works in me** He does abundantly beyond all I can think, dream, or ask. God has already done it...the hindrance is in this world...**Do not turn on God.** God is not the one who determines *when* His promise is received or manifested—I am. He's already given it with power! When I got saved, I received it then...God is at work in my heart for He **cleanses** it from all unrighteousness and **strengthens** it for His glory...)

21) I fear that others will accuse me of making it look like a miracle when it was just a mistake or timing of other things.

(There is God's world view and the secular; timing & opportunity is the Lord's favor. **Do not boast it is better to let others praise and declare...** wait upon the Lord's timing to praise and honor God. **Do not be surprised** when your faith is attacked, persecuted, disparaged, and maligned. **The enemy will discredit**, discount, and dissuade. 1Pe 4:12 **Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial** which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; Be not unbelieving but believing...and God will exalt you in due season. **Do not be afraid, but speak, do not be silent.**)

22) I'm so vulnerable to criticism, the disapproval of others, the rejection or reproach...

(Do not seek the **approval or honor of men but seek the honor that comes from above.** It is the joy of the Lord that is my strength. I would rather have the rejection & reproach of others than from God! How can I believe if I fear what men may say or do? **How can I believe God if I respect the criticism of men?** Whose word do I value or give power in my heart more?)

**23) Does God care about my life as much as I do?
Is God My Defender?**

Isa 54:17 No **weapon** that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue *that shall rise against thee in judgment* **thou shalt condemn**. This *is* the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness *is* of me, saith the LORD.

Pr 16:7 When a man's ways please the LORD, **he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him**.

Ps 91:4 He shall cover you with His feathers, **And under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler**.

Ps 25:20 O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me **not be ashamed**; for I put my trust in thee.

Ps 31:1 To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. **In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness**.

1Pe 3:14 But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, **happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;**

Jer 1:8 Do not be afraid of their faces, For I *am* with you to deliver you," says the LORD. Lu 12:4 "And I say to you, My friends, **do not be afraid of those who kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do. Ac 18:9 Now the Lord spoke to Paul (Dayle) in the night by a vision, "**Do not be afraid, but speak, and do not keep silent** :)**

Luke 6: Do not worry about your life...do not have an anxious mind, do not seek after what the gentiles seek for your heavenly Father knows what you have need of...