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1. Is there anything that particularly caught your attention, confused or challenged you as a result of hearing Sunday's sermon?
2. Share with the group a time in which your faith was challenged. What were the things that were most helpful in seeing you through this challenging time?
3. One of our adversary's greatest schemes is to get us to believe lies about who God is. Compare Genesis 3:1-5 with Genesis 2:16-17 and discuss the lies the serpent used to deceive Eve.
4. In the moment of temptation Eve lost her eternal perspective. What does the prayer below suggest is the remedy for lost perspective?

Ephesians 1:18

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints...

5. How does Hebrews 11:1 define faith? Compare this to Romans 8:24-25.

6. Pastor Kurt, while trying to paint the picture of the utter smallness of planet earth and the unimaginable size of the universe, shared that if the earth were the size of a marble, to build a scale model of just our solar system one would need an empty circle 7 miles in diameter. In this model, the earth would be close to 600 feet from the sun.
 - a. In light of this illustration discuss how it is we often times allow our adversary to convince us that this world is all there is and the real reason we exist on planet earth is to eat, drink and be merry.
7. Discuss what you learned from the sermon about the actual Roman shield and the fiery arrows that were shot at them.
8. Pastor Kurt insisted that, first and foremost, the shield of faith, being a part of the armor of God, is effective because God is faithful. Read the following verses and discuss the comfort that knowing we are children of a faithful God brings to your heart: Gen. 15:1, Deut. 7:9, Psalm 91:1-4, Lam. 3:19-23, Prov. 30:5, Phil. 1:6. 1 John 1:9. Feel free to add your favorite verse(s) concerning God's faithfulness to the discussion.
9. Discuss the following statement;

Faith is putting Christ between us and our adversary.
- 10.- Which fiery dart is causing you the most uncertainty — doubt, discouragement, delay, difficulty, or depression — lustful passions, inflamed ambition or pride, excited greediness or discontentment?

11. What promise does the follow verse give us when we are hit with the fiery arrow of temptation and our passions become inflamed?

1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

12. Not only does our adversary try to create in us doubt in God, he also tries to create doubt in our hearts concerning our right standing before God. What help to stand firm against the schemes of the devil do you find in the promises found in 1 John 1:7-9 and 1 John 5:11-12?

13. Discuss the following statement;

We stand firm in Christ when we begin to doubt our doubts and believe or beliefs.