

## Fire Pit Topic December: Becoming a Protector

Definition: One who is willing to put himself at risk in order to protect others.

A person who is willing to stand against harm or get in harms way.

## Fire Pit Discussion: Focus Group

1. Historical events that illustrate being a protector.
  - a. In the Roman arena: When a Christian man jumped into the arena to protect a fallen participant, the Christian man is killed. Roman citizens stood up and left the arena. Historians say that this marked the beginning of the end of this cruel sport.
  - b. 1<sup>st</sup> Gulf War: August 1990. U.S. and Allied Forces move to protect and liberate Kuwait after from an attack by Iraq.
2. References in the Bible:
  - a. Acts 9: 26- 28: Barnabas stood up for Paul to the Church.
  - b. John 8: 3- 12: Jesus protected the woman caught in adultery.
3. Illustrated in the life of Jesus
  - a. John 8: Jesus protected a guilty woman from a crowd who wanted to kill her.
  - b. Luke 19: 10 Jesus came to rescue (protect) all of us from sin. He is the great protector.
4. Application: Where are the areas in your life where you need to rise up as a protector?