#1. BE READY!

RESOLUTION

- 1) The act of resolving or determining upon an action, course of action, method, procedure, etc.
- 2) A resolve; a decision.

3) The mental state or quality of being resolved or resolute; firmness of purpose. "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." - Matthew 6:33 NIV "Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and he will establish your plans." - Proverbs 16:3 NIV The quality of your determines the quality of your . WHEN FACED WITH _____ (this situation), I HAVE RESOLVED TO _____ (take this action). Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. - 1 Corinthians 16:13 NIV "Watch and pray so that you will not fall into temptation. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." - Matthew 26:41 NIV WHY SHOULD YOU BE READY? A. is coming for ! I wrote to you ... so that Satan will not outsmart us. For we are familiar with his evil schemes. - 2 Corinthians 2:9,11 NLT B. You're not as as you! So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall! - 1 Corinthians 10:12 NIV **KEYS TO FIGHTING TEMPTATION** 1. the . "The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance." - Psalm 16:6 NIV 2. the . "Be sure your sin will find you out." - Numbers 32:23 NKJV He <u>left his cloak in her hand</u> and <u>ran out of the house</u>. - Genesis 39:12 NIV And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it. - 1 Corinthians 10:13 NIV 21-DAY FAST — Sundown, January 22nd - Sundown, February 12th **CHOOSE YOUR OWN FAST** FASTING: Denying yourself of <u>SOMETHING</u> in order to <u>HUNGER</u> for God.

"At that time I, Daniel... I ate no choice food; no meat or wine touched my lips; and I used no lotions at all until the three weeks were over." - Daniel 10:2-3 NIV

DISCUSSION GUIDE

- Talk about some of the decisions you've made this week?
- What is your thought process like when you make plans for the future?
- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- Read Matthew 26:41. Discuss a time when God helped you make the right decision or avoid temptation. What was that experience like?

- What does it look like to "move the line" when you're fighting temptation? How could FASTING help you put distance between yourself and temptation?
- Consider the areas of your life where you're most vulnerable to the enemy's attacks. Talk about your escape plans so that you're prepared when the devil attacks.
- What did God speak to you during this message? Discuss it?