

Battle Tested Philosophy

“Resolution”

The Determining Factor

09:55 am ***5 Min. Count Down - VIDEO -**LEADS TO WELCOME VIDEO**

10:00 am ****LIVE Worship –**

10:25 am **LIVE SHOT –**

WELCOME to The Peak CC Church --- Welcome Online Platform

We are so glad you could join us as we worship the Lord & expound on His Word.

If this is your 1st time or perhaps you’ve been with us before but haven’t engaged...

***Online Connect Card ***

RightNow Media

Opening Prayer - Blessing of Contributions -

Stand by for Announcements

10:30 AM **Announcements Video** - Tithing**

**10:37 am LIVE SHOT – Welcome - Self Intro - PEAK INTRO
Young /Vibrant / Life Giving Church in the HEART of Peekskill.**

**Thank you to those who joined us last week as Bro. Sam
ministered on OBEDIENCE**

Operation Christmas Child - Shoe Box

Membership meeting - Wednesday Oct 13th 6pm

Coming to the end of our SERMON SERIES

"Battle Tested Philosophy"

What it takes to be a

“Warrior in Christ”

Know your WHY - Purpose

ATTITUDE - Positional Perspective

RESILIENCE - Burning Desire

RIGHTEOUSNESS - Standing Right

INFLUENCE - Spheres of Life

OBEDIENCE - Better Than Sacrifice

Encourage you to go listen to the past messages.. Avail FREE

****Message & App PLUG - SLICK / STILL**

If you haven't done so already.... Would you please, Like our page on fb, or subscribe to our YouTube Channel, or follow us on IG, or ALL of the above...

Having a “Warrior’s in Christ” MINDSET - Something EVERY soldier needs when entering the battlefield... Is Having a STRONG SENSE OF RESOLUTION.

Often, when discussing Resolutions, we're drawn to New Years Eve when SO many people make their "New Year's Resolutions"

A new year offers an opportunity for a fresh start That is often short lived.... No staying POWER.... Lacking the stick-to-itiveness... and lasting results.

NO - SUSTAINABILITY

Gym membership... More Bible time... Stop Smoking. Better at relationships... Breaking addictions... more devotional TIME.

Faithful in giving... Tithing sowing into the Kingdom.... Getting More Involved

*****Problem w/ these.... Self-will driven...***

Based on your strength Your will.... Your ability & skill set.

res·o·lu·tion

/ˌrezəˈlʊʃ(ə)n/

noun

- 1. 1.a firm decision to do or not to do something.**

Similar: intention resolve decision intent aim aspiration design purpose object plan
commitment pledge promise undertaking

2.the quality of being determined or resolute.

See...A Resolution is something so much more than just a choice.... It is an unwavering choice.

A Resolution is something so much more than just a surrender of Will.... It is the submission of will...

As children of God we must have RESOLVE... Knowing our objectives.

When we give our word.. We NOT only give our word... But we're giving HIS WORD.

****Matthew 5:37**

New King James Version

37 But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one.

I swear on my uncles cousins college roommate's grave that what i said was true...

That is NOT an individual who has RESOLUTION...

Biblical RESOLUTION If I may, it can be described as STOIC

-a person who can endure pain or hardship without showing their feelings or complaining.

Or, what I like to call “STONE FACED”

Not a face that's stoned... Heyyyy dude

I'm talking about being “STONE FACED”

***Isaiah 50:4–7 contains the third Servant Song,**

**4 “The Lord GOD has given Me
The tongue of the learned,
That I should know how to speak
A word in season to him who is weary.
He awakens Me morning by morning,
He awakens My ear
To hear as the learned.
5 The Lord GOD has opened My ear;**

**And I was not rebellious,
Nor did I turn away.**

**6 I gave My back to those who struck Me,
And My cheeks to those who plucked out the beard;
I did not hide My face from shame and spitting.**

**7 “For the Lord GOD will help Me;
Therefore I will not be disgraced;
Therefore I have set My face like a flint,
And I know that I will not be ashamed.**

The prophet speaks of the suffering of the Messiah.

In v7, the Suffering Servant expresses His complete confidence in God, declaring that He will NOT shrink back from His mission, despite severe suffering, opposition, and humiliation: *Why?*

“Because the Sovereign LORD helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame” ([Isaiah 50:7](#)).



FLINT

Flint, a very hard, dark rock, is used figuratively in the Bible to express hardness, as in the firmness of horses' hoofs ([Isaiah 5:28](#)), the toughness of an impossible task ([Deuteronomy 8:15](#); [Psalm 114:80](#)), and the inflexibility of unwavering determination ([Ezekiel 3:8–9](#)).

There comes a time when we must become so RESOLUTE in our walk, in our commitment to Christ that we have to

SET OUR FACE

Set your face like flint is the figure of speech the prophet uses to describe the Messiah's unwavering determination to persevere in the excruciating task set before Him.

Christ would endure humiliation on His journey to the cross to die for our sins. Nearly 800 years before it happened, Isaiah foretold the suffering of the Lord's Servant: "I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting" V6;

Luke echoes this resolute image of Christ, set on saving His people:

****Luke 9:51**

ESV

"When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem".

Make NO MISTAKES about it... Jesus KNEW that He would face arrest, torture, and agonizing death.

Make NO MISTAKES about it... YOU will be faced with opposition... The world is growing colder to christian values...

Every year Halloween becomes just a little more popular than Christmas. Ghouls & Goblins becoming more desired than the baby in a manger

With that growing hostility... what can we learn from Jesus in today's lesson of having a Battle Tested Philosophy??

Jesus put His TRUST in God the Father to help and defend Him before His enemies, *Jesus set off firmly and unflinchingly committed to finish His mission.* -AS SHOULD WE!!

There would be no backing out, and no enemy or accuser could deter Him from accomplishing His purpose. He had set His face like flint.

Staying on track in the Christian life/walk requires setting our faces like flint.

*** 1 Corinthians 9:24-27** NKJV

Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it. 25 And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown. 26 Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air. 27 But I discipline my body and

bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified.

Paul set his face like flint to finish his course: & he teaches US to do the same...

***Philippians 3:12-14 NKJV**

“Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus”

The writer of Hebrews also presents an excellent picture of setting our faces like flint:

***Hebrews 12:1-2 NKJV**

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing

our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

The work of the cross was NOT a walk in the Park. Think of what Jesus endured for your love's sake...

“My great object is to lead you to love him who so loved you that he set his face like a flint in his determination to save you. O ye redeemed ones, on whose behalf this strong resolve was made,—ye who have been bought by the precious blood of this steadfast, resolute Redeemer, come and think a while of him, that your hearts may burn within you, and that your faces may be set like flints to live and die for him who lived and died for you!”

-Charles H Spurgeon - *The Metropolitan Tabernacle Pulpit Sermons*, Vol. 47, p. 362. London: Passmore & Alabaster

When was the last time you RESOLVED in your heart to LIVE for Him?

Do you remember a time when someone shared the Gospel message with you? Heard a sermon that made sense? Came to a place where you were ready to leave THAT

Carnal pleasures / addictive behaviors / self-will /

For HIM... FREEDOM / Enlightenment / Communion

Here is your opportunity to make some REAL RESOLUTION...

Just stand up... right there in your living room / bedroom....

Closing Prayer

I feel as if there may be those here, or on our online campus who may not KNOW Christ. But are feeling stirring. Do you want to know Him?

Perhaps you stumbled across this post online by accident. Or someone invited you out of the blue..

Dear God, salvation prayer...

Please contact us via our website @thepeakcc.com Let us know how we can come along your side to help your spiritual growth...

I'd like to invite you to connect w/ us...Visitors link... fill out that connect card...

NEXT WEEK we'll discover how OBEDIENCE affects our Warrior mindset.

***“The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you,
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,
And give you peace.”***

I bless you in the Name of the Father, & of the SON, & of the Holy Spirit... Amen!!

The New King James Version. (1982). (Is 50:4–7). Nashville: Thomas Nelson.

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