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Stand Firm In Christlikeness

1 Peter 2:20-3:12

Stand Firm Series

Life Change: We trust God when we are mistreated.

Being mistreated can make serving or submitting very challenging...

- *Under whose authority do you bristle and find it difficult to submit?*
- *Who do you struggle to serve or follow without resentment?*
- *With whom does being a Christian result in being misunderstood or disliked?*

Q1: What did Jesus do? 2:21b-23

Jesus _____ sinlessly. Is. 53:7-9

Q2: What are we to do? 2:24-3:9a

v.24 – “...having died to sins, we might live for righteousness...”

Slave.

Wife.

Husband.

Everyone. (*including children*)

We are to _____ sinlessly.

Q3: But, how? That’s impossible!

2:23, 3:9b-12

Empowered by the Spirit, we follow Christ’s example. 2 Tim. 1:7

The word “example” (*hupo-grammos*) means _____.

1. Trust God’s Judgement 2:23

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Trusting God leads to freedom and fearlessness. 3:5-6

2. Desire God’s Blessing 3:9-11

We are destined for both suffering and blessing. Rom. 8:17

Which is more blessed? (You must choose one)

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| • To love life | or | • Putting them in their place |
| • See good days | or | • Getting even |
| • Answered prayer | or | • Watching them eat crow/humble pie |
| • Favor w/ God | or | • Making them pay |

Psalm 34:4-17 – “I sought the Lord and he answered me and rescued me from all my fears...”



STAND FIRM

a study of 1 Peter

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1 Peter 2:20-21 – ²⁰ For what credit is there if when you do wrong and are beaten, you endure it? But when you do what is good and suffer, if you endure it, this brings favor with God. ²¹ For you were called to this, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.

Titus

Phil

Heb

Jam

1 Peter

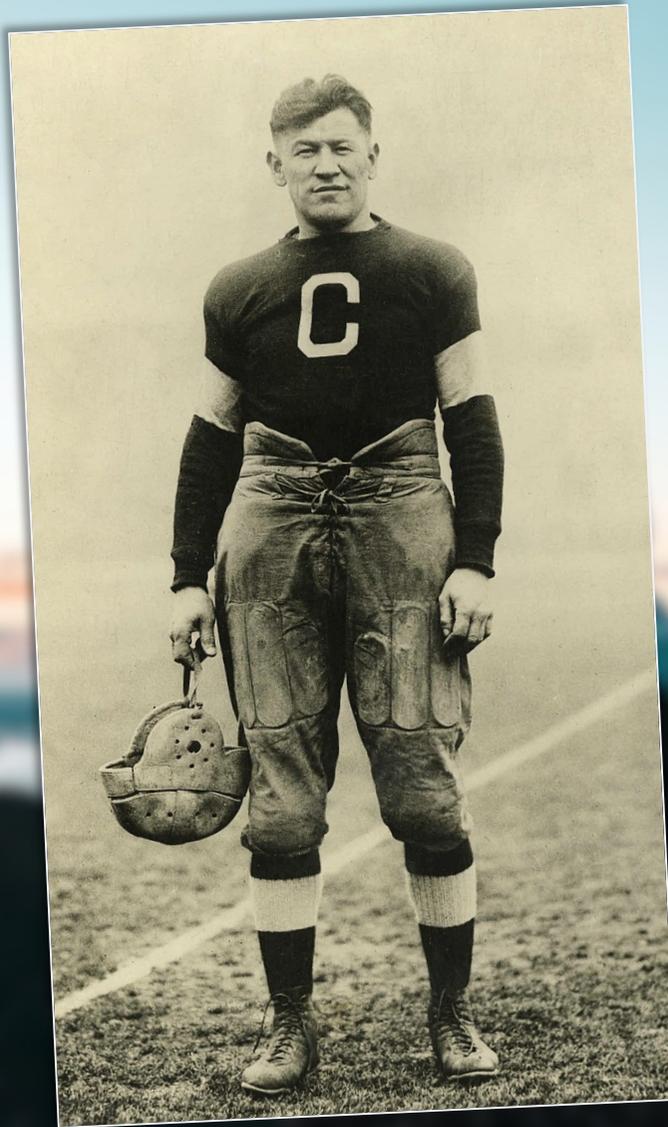
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James Francis Thorpe
1887-1953



courtesy Wikipedia

Jim Thorpe

1912 Summer Olympics



courtesy The Shawnee News Star

**“Sir, you are the
greatest athlete
in the world.”**



courtesy Two Row Times

Peter's Goal

Prepare Christians for mistreatment at work and in the home.

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Husbands (3:7) – Husbands, in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with a weaker partner, showing them honor as coheirs of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.

Context: *harsh masters, disobedient husbands, weaker vessel*

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Children (Eph. 6:1-3) – Obey parents from the heart (honor).

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Q3: But, How?!

“How is that possible?! in our own strength, it’s not! But Christians have a superpower!”

– Wayne Braudrick, on Matthew 5:44 – “...love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.”

Undaunted!

**God has not
given us a spirit
of fear, but one of
power, love and
sound judgment.**

2 Timothy 1:7

1 Peter 2:21 – Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an **example**, that you should follow in his steps.

“**Example**” comes from ὑπογραμμός (hupo-grammos), from **hupo** (under) and **grapho** (write). *To write from underneath.*

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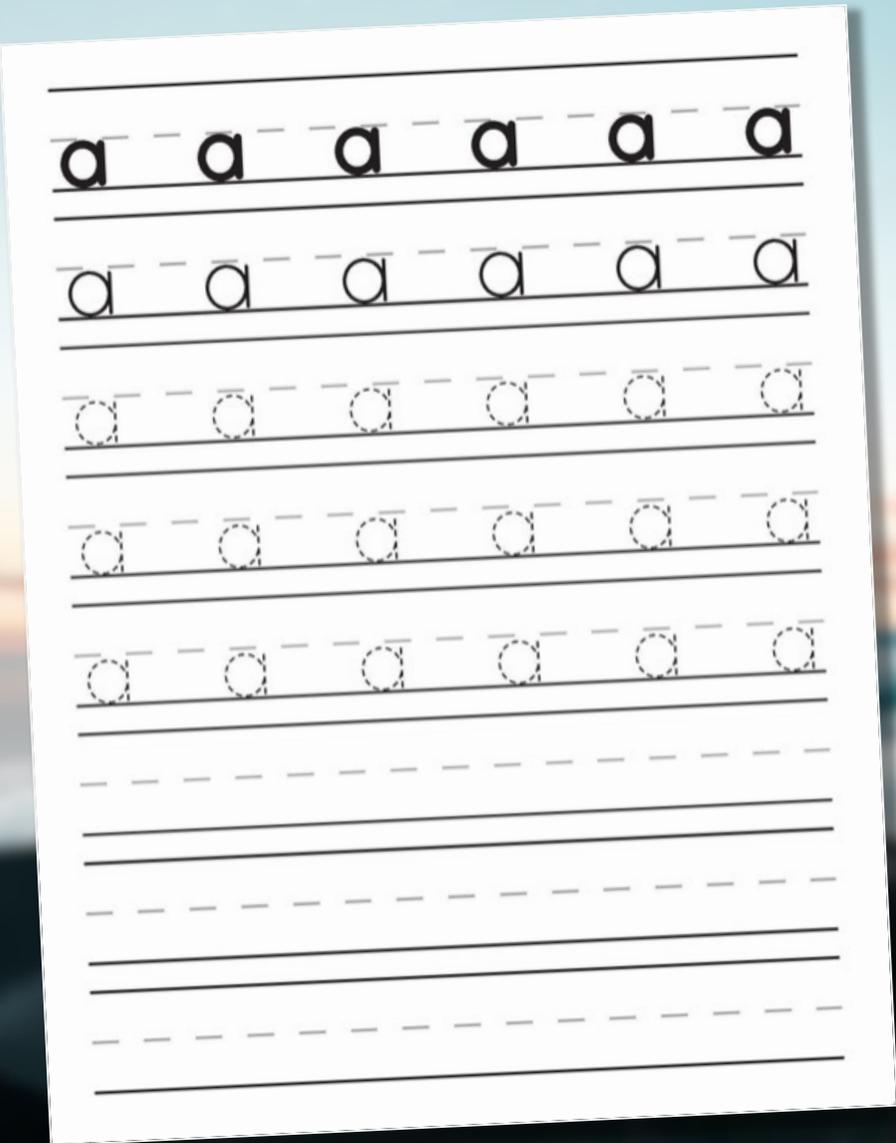
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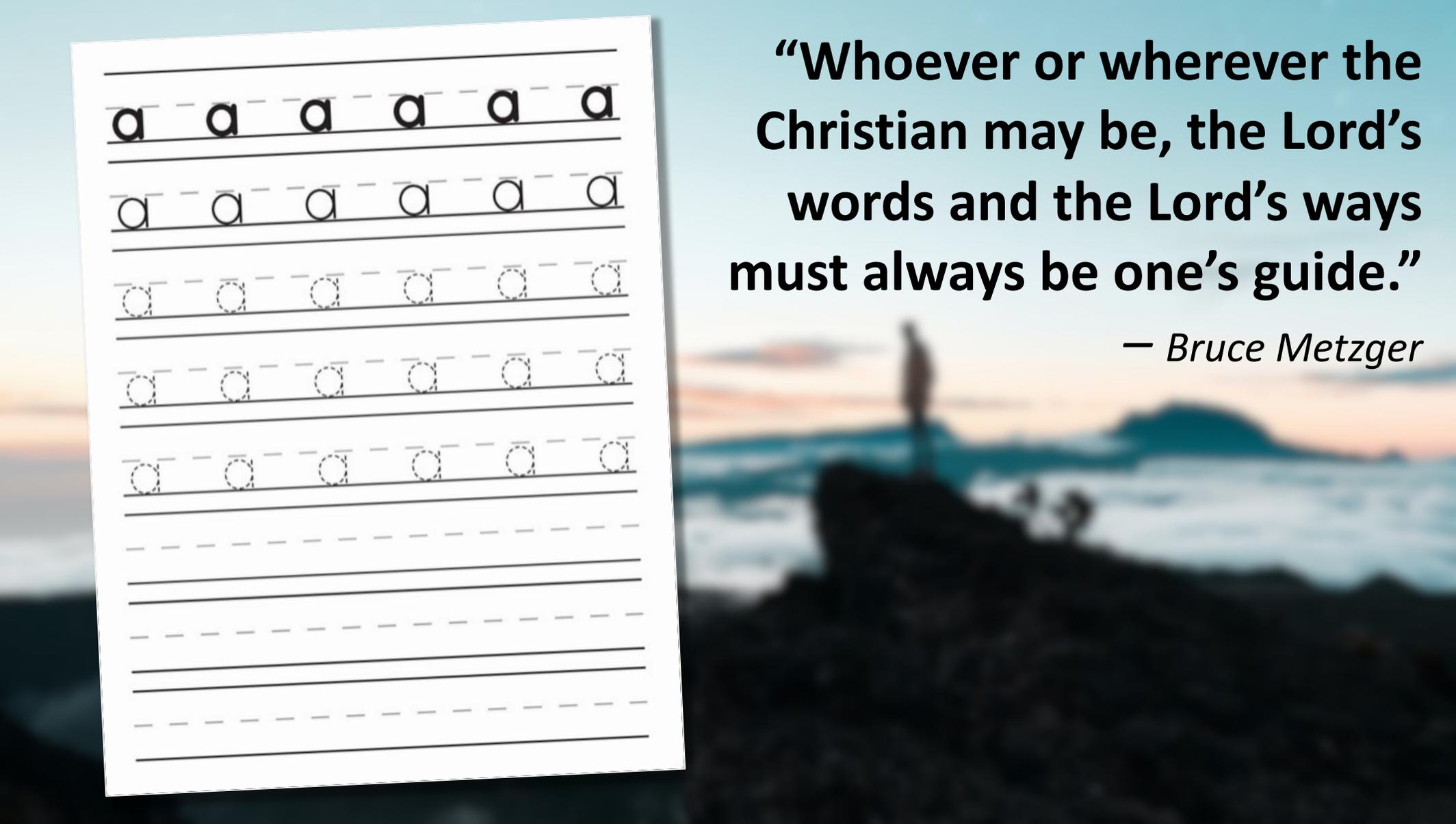
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“Whoever or wherever the Christian may be, the Lord’s words and the Lord’s ways must always be one’s guide.”

— Bruce Metzger



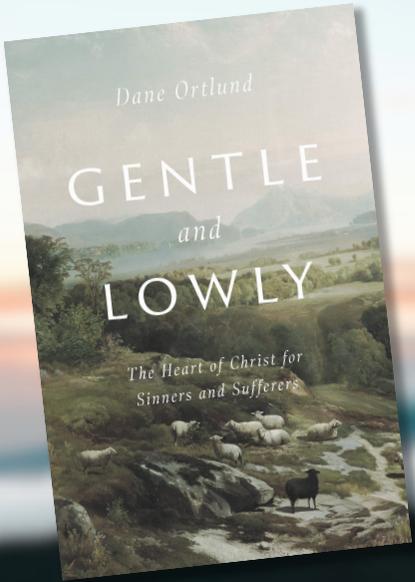


**TRUST
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Psalm 51:4 – “Against you—you alone—I have sinned and done this evil in your sight. So, you are right when you pass sentence; you are blameless when you judge.”

David repenting of adultery and murder.

Romans 12:19 – Beloved, do not avenge yourselves, but *rather* give place to wrath; for it is written. “Vengeance is Mine, I will repay,” says the Lord.”

See Deuteronomy 32

It would be a very hard thing for us to be subjected to the will of the ungodly, and not to have God caring for our wrongs. There is no cause for the godly to fear, as though they were without any protection, for since *it belongs to God to defend them and to undertake their cause*, they will possess their souls in patience.

– John Calvin



1 Peter 3:5-6 – ⁵ For in the past, the holy women who put their hope in God also adorned themselves in this way, submitting to their own husbands, ⁶ just as Sarah obeyed Abraham calling him lord. You've become her children when you do what's good and don't fear any intimidation.

A scenic landscape at sunset or sunrise. The sky is a mix of light blue and orange, with stars visible in the upper portion. The foreground shows a dark, rocky hillside. In the middle ground, there are rolling hills and a large mountain range partially obscured by a thick layer of white clouds. A large white circle with a thin blue border is centered in the image, containing the text "DESIRE GOD'S BLESSING" in bold black letters.

**DESIRE
GOD'S
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1 Peter 3:9b-12 – ⁹ ...since you were called for this, so that you may inherit a blessing. ¹⁰ For the one who wants to love life and to see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit, ¹¹ and let him turn away from evil and do what is good. Let him seek peace and pursue it, ¹² because the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do what is evil.

Romans 8:17 – ...heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him.

We are destined for both suffering and blessing!

A photograph of a sign for a game called "Would you Rather...". The sign features the text "Would you Rather..." in orange, white, and blue fonts. A large, illuminated letter "R" is prominently displayed on the right side of the sign, with several small lights embedded within it. The sign is set against a dark background, possibly a night sky or a dark wall, and is illuminated from below, creating a warm glow. The background of the entire image shows a sunset or sunrise over a body of water with mountains in the distance.

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Which is more blessed? (*Would you rather...?*)

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Psalm 34:4-17

⁴ I sought the Lord, and he answered me and rescued me from all my fears. ⁵ Those who look to him are radiant with joy; their faces will never be ashamed. ⁶ This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him and saved him from all his troubles. ⁷ The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him and rescues them. ⁸ Taste and see that the Lord is good. How happy is the person who takes refuge in him! ⁹ You who are his holy ones, fear the Lord, for those who fear him lack nothing.

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¹⁰ Young lions lack food and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord will not lack any good thing. ¹¹ Come, children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. ¹² Who is someone who desires life, loving a long life to enjoy what is good? ¹³ Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from deceitful speech. ¹⁴ Turn away from evil and do what is good; seek peace and pursue it. ¹⁵ The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry for help. ¹⁶ The face of the Lord is set against those who do what is evil, to remove all memory of them from the earth.

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