

1st Corinthians 16:13-24

Watch

Stand

Love

Problems

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5. Demonstrative gifts (12–14).

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{13} Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong.

{14} Let all that you do be done in love.

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{15} Now I urge you, brethren (you know the household of Stephanas, that they were the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves for ministry to the saints),

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{16} that you also be in subjection to such men and to everyone who helps in the work and labors.

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{17} I rejoice over the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have supplied what was lacking on your part.

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{18} For they have refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men.

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{19} The churches of Asia greet you.

Aquila and Prisca greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.

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{20} All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.

{21} The greeting is in my own hand--
Paul.

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{22} If anyone does not love the Lord, he is to be accursed. Maranatha.

{23} The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

{24} My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

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Big Picture

1. The Gospel is the answer.
2. The Holy Spirit empowers us to love God and love others.

“The four imperatives are directed respectively against the heedlessness, fickleness, childishness, and moral enervation of the Corinthians” - Findlay

v 13 - Wake up. Stand up. Grow up.

Imminency = Wake up! (Rom 13:11),

Throw off! (Rom 13:12),

Put on! (Rom 13:14)

Wake up. Jesus commands: watch/wake

up (Mat 24:42, 26:41; Mark 13:37, cf.

Eph. 5:14)

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Stand fast/firm in the faith and...

liberty (Gal 5:1)

unity (Phil 1:27)

the Lord (Ps 125:1; Phil 4:1, 1 Th 3:8)

Word (2 Thes 2:15)

Truth (Eph 6:13-15)

v 13 - Wake up. Stand up. **Grow up.**

“men of flesh, as to infants in Christ” (1 Cor 3:1+).

"Brethren, do not be children in your thinking; yet in evil be infants, but in your thinking be mature." (1 Cor 14:20)

Be brave (Jos 1:6-9; Eph 6:10; 2 Tim 2:1)

v 13 - just be stronger...

be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of His might” (Eph 6:10+), and be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus (2 Ti 2:1+).

It is only God who is at work in you, both to motivate and give us the strength to do, for His good pleasure. - Phil 2:13

(Phil 4:13; 1st Tim 1:12; Psa 27:14; Col

v 14 - Love

A better way... - 1st Cor 13

1 Peter 4:8 - And above all things have fervent love for one another, for love will cover a multitude of sins.

(Cf. Proverbs 10:12)

v 15-18 -

Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus.

(1 Cor 1:16; Phil. 2:29)

Faithful. Committed. Encouraging.

v 19-20 - Aquila and Priscilla

(Acts 18:1-3, 18:24-28; Romans 16:5)

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Holy Smooching? (Rom 16:16; 2 Cor 13:12; 1 Thes 5:26; 1 Pet 5:14)

v 21-24 - in closing...

With my own hand (Gal 6:11; Eph 6:24;
Col 4:18; 2 Thes 3:17)

Grace, Love, Anathema, and Maranatha
“our Lord comes” (2 Tim. 4:8; Rev. 22:20)

For it is [not your strength, but it is God who is effectively at work in you, both to will and to work [that is, strengthening, energizing, and creating in you the longing and the ability to fulfill your purpose] for His good pleasure

- [Philippians 2:13 AMP](#) (see [Phil 1:6](#))

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

Numbers 6:24-26 (NKJV)