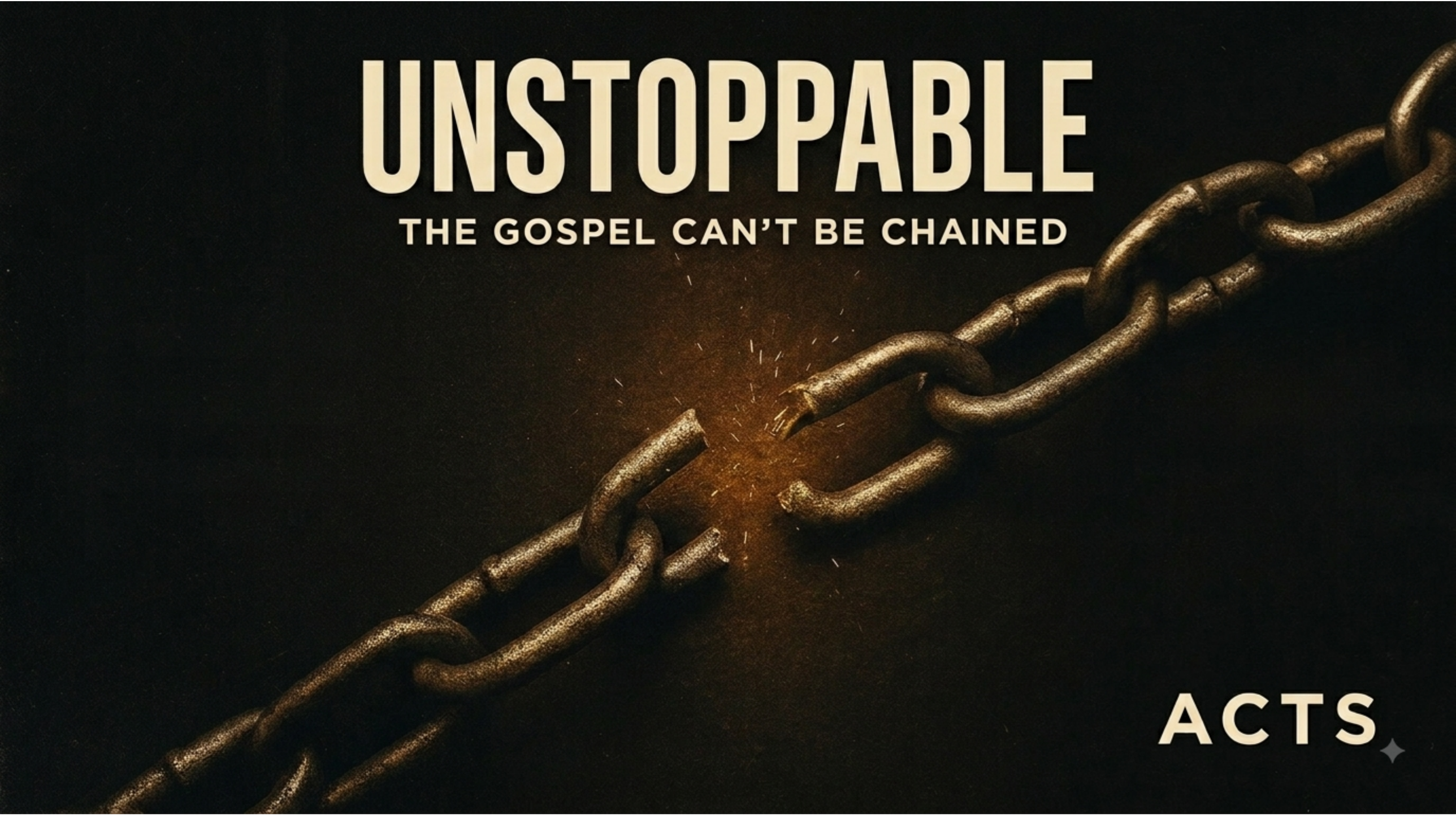

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Who is someone in your life who has acted as a “bridge” to help you step into a new environment or season of growth?

Acts 6:8-7:8
Stephen's Bold Witness Begins

God gives His people wisdom and courage to speak truth.

WHO IS STEPHEN?

Peter

- Peter had been the dominating figure.
- Ministered to the Jewish People
- Mainly in Jerusalem
- One of the last times we see Peter

Stephen

- Stephen bridges the two giants.
- Ministered to the Jews from Gentile Lands
- Catapulted the church out of Jerusalem into the rest of the World
- Stephen was the forerunner to Paul.

Paul

- Paul is dominating figure at the end of book
- Ministered to the Gentiles
- Throughout the Roman Empire
- Paul introduced at the end of Ch 7

Acts 6:8-15 highlights Stephen's character, his courage, and his countenance, noting he had the "face of an angel".

How does having a "heart filled with truth" give us the wisdom and courage needed to speak the truth boldly to others?

Acts 6:8-15

The Man with the Face of an Angel

- Stephen's Character (v8)
- Stephen's Courage (v9-14)
- Stephen's Countenance (v15)



In Stephen's defense of the faith, we are reminded that real faith means trusting God's promises before seeing the final outcome.

How have you seen God act as the author of a bigger story by turning hardship or rejection into purpose and rescue?

Acts 7:1-16

The Defense of the Faith

- God is the author of a bigger story, and He is in complete control
- Real faith means trusting God's promises before you see the final outcome.
- God turns rejection and hardship into purpose and rescue.

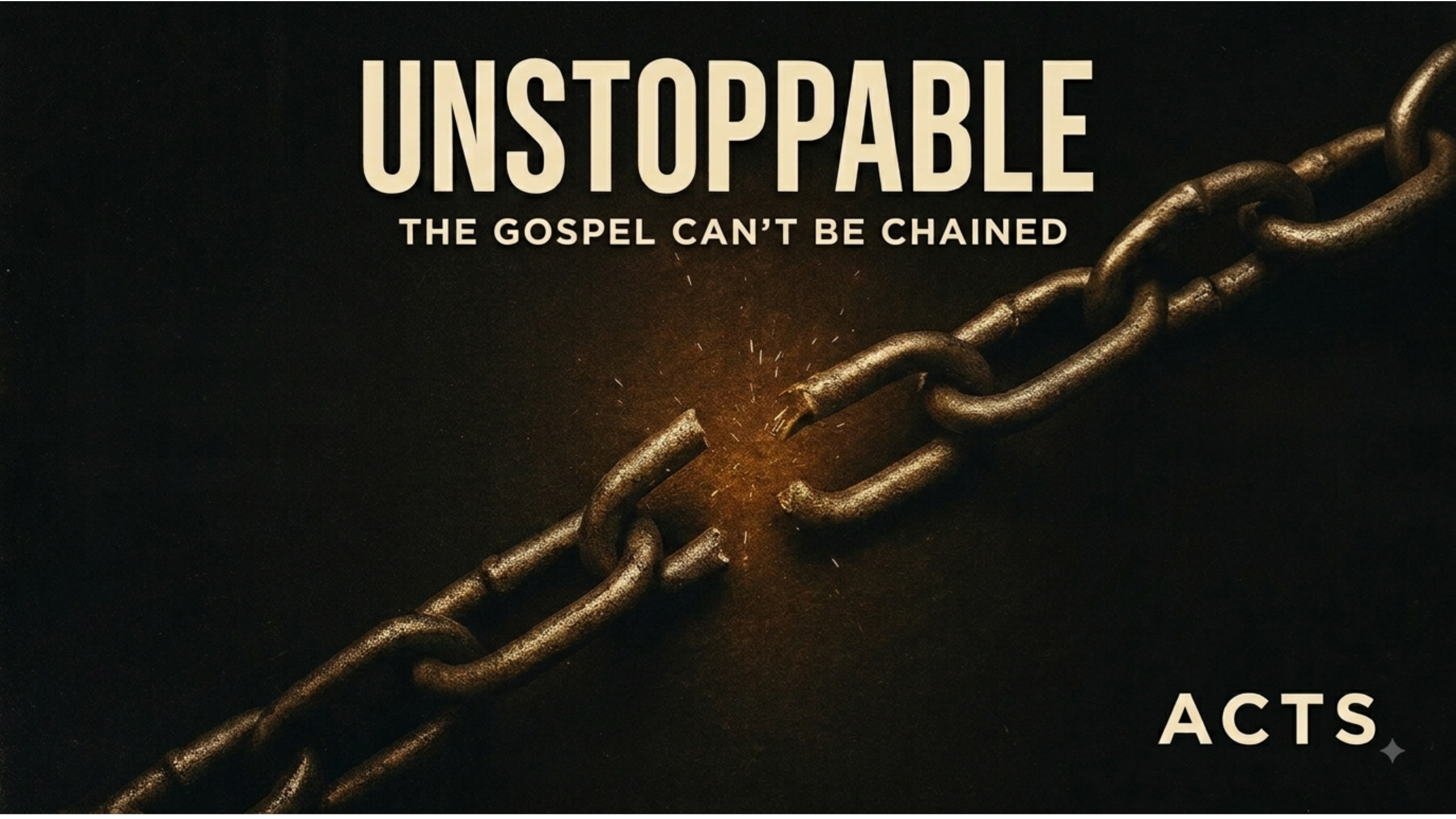


A bold witness comes from a heart filled with truth



A bold witness is supported by values, knowledge, integrity, and compassion.

Which of these four traits do you find most challenging to maintain, and how can we support each other in making our witness “unstoppable"?


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