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COMMITTED TO FOLLOW

Matthew 28:19 “Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,

20 teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

I am with you always...

WE ARE COMMITTED TO FOLLOWING GOD’S LEADERSHIP WHEREVER THAT TAKES US.

I. I MUST LET HIM BE MY _____

John 16:7–8 (NASB95)

7“But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you.

8“And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment;

IF HE IS WITH YOU ALWAYS THEN WHERE YOU _____ HE GOES, AND
WHAT YOU _____ HE SEES.

Psalms 139

7 I can never escape from your Spirit!

I can never get away from your presence!

8 If I go up to heaven, you are there;

if I go down to the grave, you are there.

Psalms 23:4 (NASB95)

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

THE _____ WAS A SHORT CLUB. THE _____ WAS THE LONG SLENDER SHEPHERD'S CROOK.

It's reassuring to know that no matter what danger we face there is someone _____ than us in the fight. And he's armed with the rod and staff.

BUT THAT _____ SWINGS BOTH WAYS.

The shepherd's staff drives off the _____ but sometimes it _____ the sheep.

HIS PRESENCE IS BOTH _____ AND _____.

SOMETIMES WE MISUNDERSTAND THE _____

WE THINK, "IF HE _____ ME HE WOULDN'T CORRECT ME."

We don't discipline other people's kids. If God is disciplining you then that proves you _____ to Him.

WE THINK, "I MUST NOT BE A _____ BECAUSE OF WHAT I'VE DONE."

IF YOU WEREN'T A CHRISTIAN YOU WOULDN'T CARE ABOUT _____.

II. I MUST LET HIM BE MY _____

"I AM WITH YOU" means, "I will show you what to do when the time is right."

John 16:13 (NASB95)

"But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak;

and He will disclose to you what is to come.

TWO THINGS ARE REQUIRED: WE MUST STAY _____.
WE MUST STAY _____

WE MUST STAY SENSITIVE

SOME SUBSTITUTE _____ FOR GUIDANCE.

Tradition is the living faith of those now dead.

Traditionalism is the dead faith of those still living.

John 3:8 (NASB95)

"The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE MAKE A _____?

We _____.

We _____.

We _____.

BUT WE DON'T STOP TRYING.

WHEN WE _____ WE WANT TO FAIL _____

WE MUST STAY _____

1 Corinthians 9:22 To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak; I have become all things to all men, that I may by all means save some.

THE MESSAGE MUST NEVER CHANGE. BUT METHODS MUST CONSTANTLY CHANGE.

III. I MUST LET HIM BE MY _____

Acts 1:8, "You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you."

Spiritual power happens when the Spirit of God takes the words that we speak -- as clumsy and befuddled as we can often be -- and He uses them to say the exact right thing at just the right time for just the right moment.

Proverbs 25:11 (NASB95)

Like apples of gold in settings of silver Is a word spoken in right circumstances.

Power happens when the spirit takes our _____ and turns them into his _____.

IV. I MUST LET HIM BE MY _____

THE WORD FOR HOLY SPIRIT IS ENCOURAGER. THAT'S WHAT HE DOES.

SOMETIMES LIFE WON'T MAKE SENSE. IT WON'T SEEM FAIR.

Sometimes the people who were most loved by God went through the greatest trouble and _____.

HE NEVER PROMISED A _____ FREE LIFE. HE DID PROMISE TO BE _____ YOU IN THE PAIN.

I said, "I will be with you."

WHAT _____ GO THROUGH _____ GOES THROUGH WITH YOU.