

STAY ALERT.. STAND FIRM.. LOVE ALWAYS

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1 Corinthians 4:14-16 (NKJV)

For there must also be factions among you, that those who are approved may be recognized among you

1 Corinthians 11:19 (NKJV)

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**For it has been declared to me concerning
you, my brethren, by those of
Chloe's household, that there
are contentions among you**

1 Corinthians 11:1 (NKJV)

Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong.

14 Let all that you do be done with love.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 (NKJV)

5 FINAL COMMANDS:

- 1. Be alert**
- 2. Stand firm**
- 3. Be brave**
- 4. Be strong**
- 5. Be loving**

BE ON YOUR GUARD

**Therefore let us not sleep, as
others *do*, but let us watch and be sober.**

1 Thessalonians 5:6 (NKJV)

Who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

1 Thessalonians 5:10 (NKJV)

TWO QUESTIONS:

1. HOW IS THE ENEMY TRYING TO HOLD YOU BACK?

2. HOW IS THE ENEMY TRYING TO CAUSE THE CHURCH TO BE INEFFECTIVE?

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil

Ephesians 6:11 (NKJV)

lest Satan should take advantage of us; for we are not ignorant of his devices.

2. Corinthians 2:11 (NKJV)

**For I delivered to you first of all that which I
also received: that Christ died for our
sins according to the Scriptures,**

1 Corinthians 15:3 (NKJV)

WATCH FOR:

- 1. Satan - 1 Peter 5:8**
- 2. Temptation - Mark 14:38**
- 3. False doctrine - 2 Timothy 4:3-5**
- 4. Indifference - Revelation 3:2**
- 5. Jesus' return - Matthew 25:13**

**Watch therefore, for you know neither the day
nor the hour in which the Son of Man is
coming.**

Matthew 25:13 (NKJV)

STAND FAST AND BE FIRM

**But you, beloved, building yourselves up on
your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit,**

Jude 20 (NKJV)

not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,

Titus 3:5 (NKJV)

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. **12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual *hosts* of wickedness in the heavenly *places*.

Ephesians 6:11-14 (NKJV)

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

Ephesians 6:11-14 (NKJV)

Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

1. Timothy 6:12 (NKJV)

BE BRAVE OR COURAGEOUS

Brethren, do not be children in understanding; however, in malice be babes, but in understanding be mature.

1 Corinthians 14:20 (NKJV)

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God *is* with you wherever you go."

Joshua 1:9 (NKJV)

Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, He *is* the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you."

Deuteronomy 31:6 (NKJV)

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

1 Corinthians 13:11 (NKJV)

TRUTH

**GOD IS ENOUGH. IF I HAVE HIM, I HAVE ALL I
NEED. - ANON**

**but grow in the grace and knowledge of our
Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
To Him *be* the glory both now and forever.
Amen.**

2 Peter 3:18 (NKJV)

BE STRONG

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Ephesians 6:10 (NKJV)

**You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace
that is in Christ Jesus.**

2 Timothy 2:1 (NKJV)

So the trouble is not with the law, for it is spiritual and good. The trouble is with me, for I am all too human, a slave to sin. 15 I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. 16 But if I know that what I am doing is wrong, this shows that I agree that the law is good. 17 So I am not the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.

Romans 7:14-23 (NLT)

18 And I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. I want to do what is right, but I can't. **19** I want to do what is good, but I don't. I don't want to do what is wrong, but I do it anyway. **20** But if I do what I don't want to do, I am not really the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.

Romans 7:14-23 (NLT)

21 I have discovered this principle of life that when I want to do what is right, I inevitably do what is wrong. **22** I love God's law with all my heart. **23** But there is another power within me that is at war with my mind. This power makes me a slave to the sin that is still within me.

Romans 7:14-23 (NLT)

9 And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

2 Corinthians 12:9-12 (NKJV)

11 I have become a fool in boasting; you have compelled me. For I ought to have been commended by you; for in nothing was I behind the most eminent apostles, though I am nothing. 12 Truly the signs of an apostle were accomplished among you with all perseverance, in signs and wonders and mighty deeds.

2 Corinthians 12:9-12 (NKJV)

**Wait on the Lord;
Be of good courage,
And He shall strengthen your heart;
Wait, I say, on the Lord!**

Psalms 27:14 (NKJV)

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Hebrews 10:24-25 (NKJV)

And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

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