

"Strength and Courage" #2



Big Question:

How do WE Followers of Jesus live in a world FULL of fear?

I. UNCERTAINTY IS CERTAIN

"Accept it. Change is not only a part of life; change is a necessary part of God's strategy. To use us to change the world, he alters our assignments."

II. FEAR IS OPTIONAL.

"Christ-followers contract malaria, bury children, and battle addictions, and, as a result, face fears. It's not the absence of storms that sets us apart. It's whom we discover in the storm: an unstirred Christ." (Max Lucado)

III. WHAT WE NEED NOW – COURAGE (Deuteronomy 31:6/Hebrews 13:5-6/Joshua 1:6-9)

IV. WHAT WE NEED NOW - WISDOM

(1 Peter 5:8/2 Timothy 1:7/1 John 3:8/James 4:7/Eph 6:10-17/ Matt 4:1-11)

V. WHAT WE NEED NOW - PRAYER

KEY verse about our prayer life: Ephesians 6:18

- 1. "PRAYING ALWAYS" focuses on the frequency
 - (Romans 12:12/Philippians 4:6/1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- 2. "ALL PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION" focuses on the different types of prayer
- 3. "IN THE SPIRIT" focuses on submission, as we line up with the will of God (1 John 5:14-15)
- 4. "BEING WATCHFUL" means to Stay Alert (Mark 26:41)
- 5. "ALL PERSEVERANCE" the act of being persistent (Luke 11:9/Luke 18:7-8)
- 6. "ALL SAINTS" focuses on others (1 Sam 12:23/James 5:16)
- 7. REMEMBER to Whom we pray.
 - Almighty God of the Universe
 - "Our Father who are in heaven, hallowed be Thy name." (Matt 6)

"Our prayers may be awkward. Our attempts may be feeble. But since the power of prayer is in the One who hears it and not in the one who says it, our prayers do make a difference." (Max Lucado)