

The Message Notes

Message: *Stand Your Ground*

Text: 1 Corinthians 16:13-14

Date: May 2, 2021



1 Corinthians 16:13-14 (NKJV) Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love.

TALK:

Objective: To encourage Christ Followers to be constantly aware and stand their ground in the face of life's challenges.

1. Watch – _____

Proverbs 27:12 - A prudent person foresees danger and takes precautions. The simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences.

- a. _____ - Pay close attention
- b. _____ - Predict; expect; guess what'll happen
- c. _____ - do something

2. Stand Fast – _____; to firmly remain in the same position or keep the same opinion

- a. _____ - *Ephesians 6:13 - Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand*
- b. _____ - *Romans 12:2 - "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.*
- c. _____ - *Psalms 56:4 - "I praise God for what he has promised. I trust in God, so why should I be afraid? What can mere mortals do to me?"*

3. Be Brave – _____ - Greek word *andrizomai*, which means “be men”. MATURE.
- a. _____ in God - Proverbs 3:5-6 - *Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.*
 - b. _____ your fears - Joshua 1:9 - *“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.”*
 - c. _____ confidence in others - Proverbs 27:17 - *As iron sharpens iron, so a friend sharpens a friend.*
4. Be Strong – _____ - Romans 8:11 - *The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you. And just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by this same Spirit living within you.*
- a. _____ the enemy - James 4:7 - *“Submit yourselves to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.”*
 - b. _____ from a place of victory - 1 Cor 15:57 - *“But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ”.*
 - c. _____ - Ephesians 5:16-17 - *“Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Don’t act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do.”*

TAKEAWAY

- Christ Followers need to be ALERT to the schemes of the enemy
- Christ Followers need to be ANCHORED in God’s Word
- Christ Followers need to act like mature ADULTS
- Christ Followers need to rely on the ACTIVE power of the Holy Spirit