

“Stand Firm”

Isaiah 9:6

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Introduction:

- **1st Corinthians 15:58**
 - It is precisely at this time in history that we need to HOLD THE LINE! Even though the battle rages, the WAR has already been won!
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1. Stand Firm in Who We Are:

- Titus 3:4**
- Matthew 4:3**
- Matthew 4:5-6**
- Your enemy likes to plant seeds of doubt in your mind:
 - Am I really a Christian?
 - Why is this happening to me?
 - Where is Jesus when I need Him the most?
- Once we lose our Identity in Christ, we lose the battle.
- Daniel 3:15**
- Daniel 3:16-18**
- If God loves you in spite of your past, why does it matter what the world thinks of you today?

2. Stand Firm in What We Believe:

- What is it you believe? And, why do you believe it?
- Do you believe that the Bible is the Inerrant and Infallible Word of God or just a reference book of moral suggestions on how to live? ...
- When it comes to what you believe, is Jesus your Lord and Savior? Or is this relationship with Him really a game you play when it is convenient?
- You need to make a decision; Jesus has got to be FULLY one or the other in your life. Because it is what you make Jesus in your life, that shows the world just how important He should be to them.
- Psalm 11:3**
- Do you believe:
 - That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God?
 - That He died on Calvary's cross for our sins?
 - He was buried, and on the third day, He arose?
 - That Jesus is at the Right Hand of the Father right now?
 - That the Holy Spirit still transforms lives today into believers?
 - That Jesus will return and judge both the living and the dead?
- Then HOLD the LINE!

3. Be Confident in God's Strength:

- 1st Corinthians 15:57**
- Judges 6-7**
- Judges 7:7**
- Judges 7:12**

- e. **Joshua 1:8-9**
- f. **Matthew 6:33**
- g. When we fail, we often ask those age-old questions, that we really don't want to hear the answers to:
 - i. Where was God when I needed Him?
 - ii. Why doesn't God answer my prayers?
- h. If you do not believe that God is who He says He is, well, then you need to make a decision:
- i. **Joshua 24:14-15**
- j. **Philippians 4:13**

