



Sunday, November 22, 2020

MAKE A QUIET COMMITMENT:

- QUIET your mind and soul before the LORD — *“Be still, and know that I am God”* (Psalm 46:10)
- COMMIT to obedience: *Commit* to doing whatever God will say to you in this message — *“to obey is better than sacrifice”* (1 Samuel 15:22)

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- I. The **Wealth** of the Believer (Ephesians 1:1-3:21)
 - II. The **Walk** of the Believer (4:1-6:9)
 - III. The **Warfare** of the Believer (Ephesians 6:10-20)
 - A. **Introduction**
 - B. **Instructions:** how to **stand fast** in the battle (Ephesians 6:10-12)
 - C. **Instruments:** how to **face** the battle (Ephesians 6:13-17)
 1. God’s **Precept** for our **stability** in Warfare (v. 13)
 2. God’s **Protection** for our **security** in Warfare (v. 14-17a)
 - i. He is **rooted** in **truth** (v. 6:14a)

With the BELT OF TRUTH, the soldier of Christ displays **committed** faith.

- ii. He is **righteous** in his **testimony** (v. 6:14b)

With the BREASTPLATE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS, the soldier of Christ displays **Christlike** faith.

- iii. He is **resolute** where he **treads** (v. 6:15)

With GOSPEL SHOES, the soldier of Christ displays **courageous** faith.

iv. He is **ready** for **temptation** (Ephesians 6:16)

With the SHIELD OF FAITH, the soldier of Christ displays **counteractive** faith.

v. He is **resolved** in his **thoughts**—He is **confident** with the hope of salvation (v. 6:17a)

Eph 6:17 And take the helmet of salvation [*protecting the mind*], ...

? “Am I able to defend myself against Satan’s attacking doubts?”

With the HELMET OF SALVATION, the soldier of Christ displays **confident** faith.

1 Thessalonians 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an **helmet, the hope of salvation**.

2 Timothy 1:12b ... for I know **Whom** I have believed, and am persuaded that **He** is able to keep that which I have committed unto **Him** against that day.

? What does this kind of confidence do for a believer?

a) The Believer has a **Living Hope** (1 Peter 1:3)

1) The **Source** of this Hope

Hope always has the future in mind.

2) The **Security** of this Hope

Psalm 108:4 For **Thy** mercy *is* great above the heavens: and **Thy** truth *reacheth* unto the clouds.

3) The **Substance** of this Hope

1 Corinthians 15:17 And if **Christ** be not raised, your faith *is* vain; ye are yet in your sins.

1 Corinthians 15:20 But now is **Christ** risen from the dead, *and* become the firstfruits of them that slept.

b) The Believer has a Reserved **Inheritance** (1 Peter 1:4)

1) An Inheritance Incorruptible

2) An Inheritance Undefiled

3) An Inheritance Unfading

c) The Believer has a Secure Salvation (1 Peter 1:5)


? How secure is our salvation?

Consider Romans 8:31-39.

1 Thessalonians 5:24 Faithful *is* **He** that calleth you, **Who** also will do *it*.

Philippians 1:6 Being confident of this very thing, that **He** which hath begun a good work in you will perform *it* until the day of **Jesus Christ**:

Psalms 31:24 Be of good courage [*strength*], and **He** shall strengthen [*encourage*] your heart, all ye that hope [*have patient confidence*] in the **LORD**.

 Our WARFARE is fought with the INSTRUMENTS of God. Our protection for the spiritual battles of life continues with being RESOLVED IN HIS THOUGHTS. He is CONFIDENT with the hope of salvation because his salvation is securely KEPT BY THE POWER OF GOD.

What is my next step? Please consider doing the questions on the back of this page.



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What Is My Next Step?

Hearing — Giving *attention* to God's Word with the intent to obey it — James 1:21-25

Doing — Making *application* of God's Word to be more like Christ — Eph. 4:22-24

Date: _____ Text: _____ Speaker: _____

1. What did God show **me** that **I** must confess and forsake because it does not reflect Christ and hurts **my** relationship with Him and others? (**Put OFF SIN**)
2. What did God show **me** about Himself in this text? (**Renew your mind**)
 - a. What is He like?
 - b. What does He like?
 - c. What does He dislike?
3. What does God say to me in this text? (**Renew your mind**)
 - a. What command to obey?
 - b. What promise to claim?
 - c. What principle to apply (*If I do _____, then God will do _____*)?
 - d. What example to follow?
4. What verse(s) should **I** memorize and meditate upon through-out this week to help make **my** change lasting? (**Renew your mind**)
5. In light of what **I** have heard from God, ... (**Put ON CHRIST**)
 - a. What character quality of Jesus must **I** demonstrate *with God's help* this week?
 - b. In what situations will **I** most likely be tempted not to respond in a Christ-like way?
 - c. How can **I** get ready for those situations? (*If I don't have a plan for change, it probably won't happen.*)



OUR MISSION: Supremely love GOD,
Sacrificially love others
—ALL to the GLORY of GOD!