

Be Strong And be Of Good Courage

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Text

Deut 31:6- Be strong and courageous ! Do not be afraid of them, the Lord your God will go ahead of you. He will neither fail you nor forsake you.

Objectives

- 1) To strengthen the believers in their daily task.
- 2) To teach them to stand firm against every battle.

Introduction

As a believer we have our own daily different battle to face, before we can claim the promises of God. Like Moses who impart his task of responsibilities to Joshua to inherit the promise land of Canaan, a land of milk and honey, but he has to encourage Joshua to be strong and courageous. Joshua 1: 6-9.

Lesson

A) TO BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS YOU MUST:

- 1) Depend and rely on God's strength.-- Jeremiah 17:5 / John 15:5.
- 2) Use every piece of God's armor.-- Ephesians 6: 13-18
- 3) Focus on every promises of God:
 - a) YOUR GOAL - Colossians 3:1-2.
 - b) YOUR INHERITANCE -Matthew 25:34

B) THINGS THAT MAY HINDER THE PROMISES OF GOD !

- 1) Lack of faith:- James 1: 6-8.
- 2) Love of the world;- 1 John 2:15 -17 / Luke 8:14.
- 3) Disobedience:- Hebrews 3: 15-16.

Illustration: Israelites stubbornness, some of them did not enter the promise land because of their disobedience.

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C) REASON WHY WE SHOULD ALWAYS BE STRONG AND COURAGEOUS:

- 1) Because we have spiritual battle every day. Ephesians 6:12 / 1Peter 5: 8-9.
- 2) To be ready for Christ return.
- 3) To claim our full inheritance from God. Revelation 22:12.

Conclusion:

If you feel discouraged remember what Moses told to Joshua , " Do not be afraid, The Lord your God will go ahead of you. He will neither fail you nor forsake you. But we must be strong and courageous because we are obliged to face our own battle in Christian life. But God has given us a great opportunity to win and claim His promises, because he had already won the battle for us. Ephesians 6: 10 - 11/ Matthew 16:18.