

Standing Firm When You Feel Like Quitting

Nehemiah 4

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- *“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.” 1 Corinthians 15:58*
- We must stand firm and keep abounding in the work of the Lord.
- But how do you stand firm when discouragement comes and opposition seems to come from every side?

First, by _____ God completely in every situation.

- Opposition and times of discouragement are bound to come. How will you respond?
 - ◆ Will you allow it to swallow you up in _____?
 - ◆ Or will you choose to _____ your God completely?
- *“For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God.” 2 Timothy 1:7-8*

Second, by actively _____ that which would hinder you.

- If Satan brings something in your life to discourage you in God's work, you need to pray and trust God completely. That doesn't mean that you respond _____ to the problem.
- *"Neither give place to the devil."* **Ephesians 4:27**
- *"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."* **Ephesians 6:11**

Third, by remaining a _____ player even through difficulties.

- If we are going to stand firm and abound in God's work, there has to be a willingness to sacrifice for the _____.
- *"And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;
Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ."*
Colossians 3:23-24

- *"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."* **1 Corinthians 15:57**
- We have the victorious One living inside of us. As we depend on Him and trust Him, His _____ becomes our daily experience.