

## Prepared For Battle

*1 Corinthians 16:13 "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong."*

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The Need For This Strength (Ephesians 6:10-11)

(1 Peter 5:8) *NOTE: 1 Peter 5:9*

*"Wherefore, TAKE UP the WHOLE armor of God"*

➤ EVERY element Paul now describes is essential to be ...

*"Strong in the Lord and in the power of His might" (Verse 10)*

➤ *Having done all to stand. Stand therefore ...*

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- ▣ "Watch ye" Matthew 26:41; 1 Corinthians 15:34; Ephesians 5:14
  - Danger. 1 Peter 5:8
    - False Teachers. Matthew 7:15; Acts 20:28f; 2 Peter 2:1f
    - Satan always busy. Matthew 13:24-25, 39
    - Many devices. 2 Corinthians 2:11
    - Deception. Genesis 3; 1 Timothy 2:13-14
  - Parents beware. Judges 2:6-10; Deuteronomy 6:4-9

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- ▣ "Stand fast in the faith"  
cf. Hebrews 3:12-14; Jude 3; Acts 13; 2 John 9
  - Not opinion, established custom, tradition. cf. Matthew 15:8-9
  - "Hold the traditions..." 2 Thessalonians 2:15

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- ▣ Keep in the ranks. Judges 7 (cf. Traitors) Hebrews 10:38ff; cf. 2 Timothy 4:10
- ▣ Hold your ground. Galatians 2:4-5
  - Courage. Deuteronomy 31:6; 1 Samuel 17:32
- ▣ Don't Compromise. Exodus 8:25-27; 10:10, 24; Nehemiah 6:3
- ▣ Don't Surrender. 1 Peter 5:8-9; James 4:7; Revelation 2:10

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- ▣ How do we stand?
  - Put on the armor. Ephesians 6:10-18; cf. 1 Peter 3:15; 2 Timothy 2:15
  - Defend the faith (Defense). Philippians 1:15-17
  - Contend for the faith (Offense). Jude 3; 1 Timothy 6:12

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- ▣ ***“Quit Ye Like Men.”***
  - Men of understanding. 1 Corinthians 14:20; Ephesians 4:14; 5:17; Hebrews 5:12
  - Men of courage & conviction. Joshua 1:7-9; Daniel 3
  - Dominated by a mighty purpose. Philippians 3:13; Acts 21:12-13
- ▣ ***“Be Strong.”*** 2 Peter 3:18
  - 1 Timothy 2:15 (Study); 1 Timothy 4:7-8 (Exercise)

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- ▣ ***Secret of strength ... Fortification***
  - Learn ... Ephesians 3:16; 4:22-24; 2 Corinthians 10:3-5
  - Application ... Genesis 39:9-10

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- ▣ What kind of soldier are you?

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