

# LIVING IN OUR CALLING

## “OVERCOMING THE ENEMIES OF OUR FAITH”

### (1) AN “UNRIGHTEOUS CONSCIENCE”

1Tim. 1:4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: *so do*.

1Tim. 1:5 Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and *of* a good conscience, and *of* faith unfeigned.

1 TIM 1:4-5 (Amp) Nor to give importance to *or* occupy themselves with legends (fables, myths) and endless genealogies, which foster *and* promote useless speculations *and* questionings rather than acceptance in faith of God’s administration and the divine training that is in faith, in that leaning of the entire human personality on God in absolute trust and confidence.

5 Whereas the object *and* purpose of our instruction *and* charge is love, which springs from a pure heart and a good (clear) conscience and sincere (unfeigned) faith.

Heb. 10:22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

### (YOUR “DADDY, PAPA” IS JEHOVAH)

### (2) “THE INTELLECT” (FOOTBALL)

Col. 2:8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

Col. 2:9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

1Cor. 1:21 For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

Rom. 4:19 And being not weak in faith, “he considered not” his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara’s womb:

Rom. 4:20 He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God.

2 COR 10:5 (AMP) Inasmuch as we refute arguments and theories and reasonings and every proud and lofty thing that sets itself up against the [true] knowledge of God; and we lead every thought *and* purpose away captive into the obedience of Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One).

REASON (GR. –CAST IN MIND, CONSIDER, DISPUTE, MUSE)

### (REALITY IS THE WORD OF GOD)

### **(3) PAST EXPERIENCES**

**Luke 5:5** And Simon answering said unto him, Master, we have toiled all the night, and have taken nothing: nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net.

**Phil. 3:13** Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

**Phil. 3:14** I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

**Joel 2:25** And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

**Psa. 51:12** Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me *with thy* free spirit.

**Rom. 3:3** For what if some did not believe? shall their unbelief make the faith of God without effect?

## **BE A "WHOSOEVER"**

### **(4) TRADITION**

**1Tim. 4:1** Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.

**Eph. 4:14** That we *henceforth* be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, *and* cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive

**2Tim. 3:13** But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.

**2Tim. 4:3** For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

**2Th. 2:3** Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come*, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition.

**John 7:17** If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or *whether* I speak of myself.

**1John 5:8** And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

**Heb. 5:13** For every one that useth milk *is* unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.

**Heb. 5:14** But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, *even* those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

**2Tim. 2:15** Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

**1Tim. 4:6** If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

## **(5) PASSIVITY**

**PASITIVE (Webster's) Lacking in energy and will, Lethargic, tending not to take an active or dominant part, no active, enduring without resistance.**

1 PET 5:8-9 (AMP) Be well balanced (temperate, sober of mind), be vigilant and cautious at all times; for that enemy of yours, the devil, roams around like a lion roaring in fierce hunger, seeking someone to seize upon *and* devour.

9 Withstand him; be firm in faith [against his onset—rooted, established, strong, immovable, and determined], knowing that the same sufferings are appointed to your brotherhood (the whole body of Christians) throughout the world.

Heb. 6:12 That ye \_\_\_\_\_, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

## **(6) IMAGINATIONS**

Psa. 55:21 The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart: his words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn \_\_\_\_\_.

Psa. 59:7 Behold, they belch out with their mouth: \_\_\_\_\_ are in their lips: for who, say they, doth hear?

Prov. 30:14 There is a generation, whose teeth are as \_\_\_\_\_, and their jaw teeth as knives, to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from *among* men.

Psa. 3:2 Many there be which say of my soul, There is no help for him in God. Selah.

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Psa. 17:13 Arise, O LORD, disappoint him, cast him down: deliver \_\_\_\_\_ from the wicked, which is thy sword:

Psa. 22:20 Deliver \_\_\_\_\_ from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.

Psa. 35:4 Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after \_\_\_\_\_: let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.

Psa. 35:17 Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue \_\_\_\_\_ from their destructions, my darling from the lions.

Psa. 40:14 Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after \_\_\_\_\_ to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.