

IT'S TIME TO STAND - 2

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REVEIW:

- * Revival is God's response to standing up for His desires.
- * How to stand: Scripturally, prayerfully, courageously.
- * Where to stand: By God, in the gap, publicly.
- * Why to stand: Because of opposition, not many are.
- * What to stand for: Righteousness, truth, holiness.

CONTINUE: EPHESIANS 6:13

We are in a warfare. Not with flesh and blood. Not with politicians, terrorists, abortion clinics or anyone else. Our warfare is against the evil forces of darkness. And the only agency on earth equipped to stand against these evil forces is the church. God is looking for people who will stand up for Him and against the forces of evil. He's looking for those who will stand in His presence, on His Word and empowered by His Spirit to transact business for Him on earth. He's looking for those wanting fire to fall and God's glory to fill their house. **2 CHRONICLES 7:1-3**

WHAT WILL IT TAKE?

1.) Preparation.

- A.)** Preparation involves being people of the Word.
- B.)** Preparation involves being people of the Spirit.
- C.)** Preparation involves being people of prayer.
- D.)** Preparation involves being people that know God.

DANIEL 11:32

2.) Determination.

- A.)** "Having done all to stand." Our minds are made up. We will not turn back, look back, go back or quit.
- B.) DANIEL 3:17-18** Their preparation was revealed by their determination: They were fully persuaded; they refused to fall victim to the pressure; they trusted God to fulfill His promise; they experienced the protection of God's presence, **ISAIAH 43:1-2**; and promotion came as a result of their stand, **DANIEL 3:30.**

C.) Jesus was determined to fulfill all the will of God. His determination is revealed at the rock in the garden.

3.) Dedication:

A.) To prayer. **DANIEL 6:10-13**

B.) To purity: **DANIEL 1:8**

C.) To the Word: **DANIEL 6:23**

* Dedication means bowing to God's will no matter what the sacrifice. It means resisting whatever impedes our success.

OUR STAND INVOLVES

1.) Power - **EPHESIANS 6:10**

A.) The power of truth, righteousness, Gospel, faith, the renewed mind, the Word, and prayer.

B.) We're not here to build buildings, but to tear down strongholds.

2.) Passion - **ROMANS 12:9-11**

A.) We're to be passionate about clinging to good and abhorring evil; about experiencing God's presence and power

(PSALMS 63:1-4)

3.) Persistence - **HEBREWS 6:12**

A.) We persist in the face of opposition and adversity and refuse to give up. **LUKE 18:1**

B.) We watch and pray, guard our heart, separate from evil and stand strong under pressure.

WE STAND

- * Against the flood of worldliness infecting the world and the church.
- * Up for what is right even when it's not popular.
- * For the unborn child knowing that his or her life is precious.
- * Up for morality as defined by God.
- * In the gap for a troubled world and nation.