

“UNSTOPPABLE FAITH”

I Corinthians 16:13 – “Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.”



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In the previous chapter of I Corinthians, Apostle Paul addresses problems regarding the worship practices of the Corinthian church. Paul continues by addressing reports about their beliefs. He focuses on the issue of resurrection. And he begins by affirming the resurrection of Christ and then discusses the future hope of bodily resurrection and glorification for all followers of Christ. As with many of his letters, Apostle Paul closes with minor instructions, personal news, encouragement, closing greetings and personal acknowledgments. And because of Paul's love for God, the things of God, and the people of God, he strived constantly to help the church of Corinth be all that God desired them to be. He was faced with unbelief, resistance, doubt and fear. So it became his personal mission to ensure the people of God had Godly instruction, good information, great inspiration and closing salutations as well as acknowledge those good things they were already a part of. His goal was to build them up in the things of God! Let's look closer and see how Paul encourages the Corinthian church to maintain unstoppable faith!

I. WATCH YE

He strongly encourages them to watch. Making sure that the gospel of Jesus Christ is not hindered in any way, nor is it compromised by any one. They know and believe what they have been taught and he didn't want any negative or opposing opinions to turn their beliefs away from god! He needed them to be diligent, steadfast, alert and vigilant because the adversary always seeks a way to enter in and cause strife and dissention in the body. Are you being watchful, on guard, in position to apprehend the enemy when he comes against you like a flood? Are you really on your job and watching in the spirit to see what the enemy is doing? Or have you fallen asleep? I hope you realize that when you snooze you lose! You snooze when you forego spending quality time with God. You snooze when you fail to read His Word! You snooze when you are so busy that you don't have time to pray!

II. STAND FAST

The church of Corinth met great opposition but Paul urged them to stand firm, stand fast and stand fearless in their faith! No matter what was done or said, he advised them to stand and not waiver in the storm! God may not always get you out of your situation, but He's well able to get in the trenches with you and carry you through. All He asks is that you activate your unstoppable faith – watch and stand fast – knowing that all things work together for good to them that love Him, to them who are the called according to His purpose!

III. BE STRONG

What did Paul mean by that phrase? He doesn't mean physically. He means for them to show kindness and extend mercy to those who are intolerant and unwilling to even listen and believe the gospel of Jesus Christ! He encourages them to be strong in their belief. Making sure everyone in the congregation is taken care of and no one experiences lack! Be strong in their convictions. Be strong in their spiritual disciplines. Be strong in their expressions of love one toward another! And be strong as they endeavor to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace! Let me encourage you on today, “Be strong as you walk in unstoppable faith!”

Blessed and Let Love Abound!

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