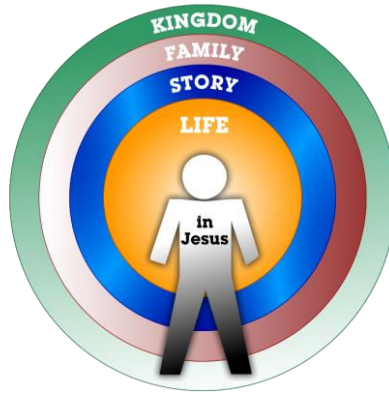


Be Strong in the Lord
Ephesians 6:10-12

"I am certain that one of the main causes of the ill state of the Church today is the fact that the devil is being forgotten. All is attributed to us; we have all become so psychological in our attitude and thinking. We are ignorant of this great objective fact, the being, the existence of the devil, the adversary, the accuser, and his 'fiery darts.'"
D. Martin Lloyd-Jones

"Be strong in the Lord"



"Be strong in the Lord"

1. _____ – "put on the whole armor of God" (11a)

put on =

2. _____ – "that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil" (11)

to stand =

schemes =

3. _____ – "for we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places."

- We have _____ enemies.
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"Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm." (13)

I am, indeed, in prison now
In body, but my mind
Is free to study Christ, and how
Unto me He is kind.

For though men keep my outward man
Within their locks and bars,
Yet by the faith of Christ I can
Mount higher than the stars.

This gaol to us is as a hill,
From whence we plainly see
Beyond this world,
And take our fill of things that lasting be.

Know then, true valor there does dwell
Where men engage for God,
Against the devil, death, and hell
And bear the wicked's rod.

These but be the men that God does count
Of high and noble mind;
These be the men that do surmount
What you and nature find.

John Bunyan, "Prison Meditations"

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