



# WHAT IS SPIRITUAL STRENGTH?

Ephesians 6:10-18

# 1. IT IS NOT IN OUR NET WORTH

- Our strength is not in contributing more than our neighbors but in keeping less for ourselves
  - Luke 21:3-4; 1 Timothy 6:10; Revelation 3:17

## 2. IT IS NOT IN OUR NOTORIETY

- Our strength is not in how popularly we are received by the masses but in how we are presently received by the Master
  - Acts 22:4; 9:13-17

### 3. IT IS NOT IN OUR NUMBERS

- Our strength is not in having the greatest amount of people attend but in having a godly few grow from there
  - Acts 1:15; Colossians 1:23

## 4. IT IS NOT IN OUR NATIONALITY

- Our strength is not in being from a Christian nation but in belonging to a worldwide Christianity
  - 1 Corinthians 1:27; Matthew 3:9-10

## 5. IT IS IN OUR DECENCY

- Our strength is in our moral code, how we follow it, and how we make amends after failing it
  - 1 Corinthians 9:27; 1 Corinthians 7:9; Mark 9:45-47

## 6. IT IS IN OUR DECLARATION

- Our strength is in our declaration of God-dependence and gospel truths
  - 1 John 2:14; 1 Corinthians 14:37;  
1 Timothy 6:3-4

## 7. IT IS IN OUR DEVELOPMENT

- Our strength is in our growth of spiritual fruit and maturation in Christianity
  - 2 Corinthians 1:9; 1 Peter 4:19;  
Luke 16:10, 12



## 8. IT IS IN OUR DETERMINATION

- Our strength is in our resolve to never back down from doing and saying what is right
  - Acts 9:20, 22; 28:31

## TO BE SAVED

- **HEAR** the gospel and discover how Jesus saves (Mark 4:20)
- **BELIEVE** in Jesus, trust He is the Lord and Christ (John 14:11)
- **REPENT** of sin by changing your mind, then behavior (Acts 3:19)
- **CONFESS** with your mouth to men that Jesus is Savior (Luke 12:8)
- **BE IMMERSED** (baptized) in water for remission of sins (Acts 8:38)

## TO BE FAITHFUL

- **Be STEADFAST** in loyalty to Christ (1 Timothy 6:12)
- **Abound** in good **WORKS** of God (Ephesians 2:10)
- **Hold to SOUND** teaching (Colossians 1:28)

## TO BE RESTORED

- **REPENT** of sin by changing your mind, then behavior (Acts 8:22)
- **PRAY** for God to forgive the sin of which you've repented (Acts 8:22)
- **CONFESS** sin to God (1 John 1:9), & perhaps to your brethren (James 5:16)