

## Resolved to Stand Firm

1 Corinthians 16:13

### \* Stand Firm: to have mature stability

#### \* Stand Firm in the Content of the FAITH

- Know what you believe about GOD.

He is. (Ps. 19:1)

He is three in one. (2 Cor. 13:14)

He is infinite and intimate. (Ps. 115:3, 116:1,5)

- Know what you believe about MAN.

Created by God and for God in the image of God. (Gen. 1:27)

Separated from God by sin. (Is. 59:2)

All are born separated by sin and with a sin nature. (Rom. 5:12)

- Know what you believe about SALVATION.

To be saved is to be forgiven, reconciled and adopted by God. (Gal. 4:4, Rm. 5:9)

Salvation is only through the death and resurrection of Jesus. (1 Pet. 1:3-4)

Salvation cannot be earned by works, but only received by faith. (Eph. 2:8-9)

- Know what you believe about SANCTIFICATION.

God gives His spirit to His children so that they can live out the righteousness of Christ. (2 Pet. 1:3-4)

New life in Christ is to be lived by faith. (Gal. 2:20, Col. 2:6)

- Know what you believe about ETERNITY FUTURE.

All who are in Christ will spend eternity future with Him in the new heaven and earth. (1 Thess. 4:16-17, Rev. 21:1-4)

All who have rejected Christ will spend eternity future separated from God in the lake of fire. (Rev. 20:13-15)

#### \* Stand Firm in the Defense of the FAITH

- The attack on ABSOLUTE TRUTH.
- The attack on Christ as the ONLY WAY.

#### \* Stand Firm in the Life of the FAITH

- The life of faith and walking in the Spirit are synonymous.

- The life of faith is a continual act of:

Submitting myself to God.

Considering myself dead to sin, but alive to Christ.

Presenting my body as an instrument through which Christ lives His life.