



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Each of us has 8 to 15 people,
whom God has supernaturally and strategically
placed in our relational world
so that He might use us
to show them His love.
-Tom Mercer

SERMON OF THE WEEK



Sermon Series: **Spiritual Development**

BE BOLD: BE IN GOD'S WORD

Ephesians 6:18-20 NKJV

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EXEGETICAL REVIEW

Ephesians 6:10 NKJV, **Finally...**

- Ch.1 Acceptance in Christ
- Ch.2 Union in Christ
- Ch.3 Access in Christ
- Ch.4-6a Teaches us to how WALK in Christ
- Ch.6b Explains our Warfare in Christ**

Ephesians 6:10 NKJV, **BE STRONG in the Lord and in the POWER of His might.**

- Eph. 1:19-20 Power that **Raised Jesus** from the dead
- Eph. 2:4-5 Power that **Made us alive** who where were dead
- Eph. 3:20 Power to do exceedingly abundantly above all (power **works IN US**)

ACTION WORDS: 6:11 "PUT ON" | 6:13 "TAKE UP" | 6:14 "STAND" | 6:17 "TAKE"

REPEATED: 6:11 STAND AGAINST | 6:13 WITHSTAND | 6:13 TO STAND | 6:14 STAND THEREFORE

EMPHASIZED: 6:12 WRESTLE (nature of, severity of, intent of)

The devil and his demonic army

- *spiritual wickedness in high places* - seek to control thrones, nations, territories.
 - *rulers of the darkness of this world* - seek to exercise power in cosmic realms (limited).
 - *powers* - seek to control world (thru govts, states, cities, schools, clubs, orgs).
 - principalities (influencing spirits) work through addictions, music, sexual perversion, false religions, occult worship, vanity of beauty, crime, murder, sexual identity.
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DEFENSIVE: 6:14-16 NKJV

- ¹⁴ **STAND** therefore,
 having girded your waist with **TRUTH**,
 having put on the breastplate of **RIGHTEOUSNESS**,
- ¹⁵ and
 having shod your feet with preparation of the **GOSPEL OF PEACE**;
- ¹⁶ above all,
 taking the shield of **FAITH**
 with which you will be able to *quench* all the fiery darts of the wicked one.
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OFFENSIVE: 6:17 NKJV

- ¹⁷ And **TAKE** the helmet of **SALVATION**, and the **SWORD OF THE SPIRIT = WORD OF GOD**.
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1) _____ **IN** – Ephesians 6:18a

^{18a} **PRAYING** always
with all
prayer
and
supplication
IN the Spirit,

† **Prayer** - communing with God and communication with God

- Adoration Psalm 34:1-3
- Confession 1 John 1:9
- Thanksgiving Psalm 136:1-3
- Supplication Philippians 4:6

† **Supplication**

- Sharing your heart with God.
- Asking based on a NEED.
- Directed to the only One who can meet your need.
- Allowing God to bring peace in your heart, bring assurance.

† **In the Spirit** – Spirit-controlled, Spirit in driver’s seat

2) _____ **OUT** – Ephesians 6:18b

^{18b} ...**being WATCHFUL** to this end
with all
perseverance
and
supplication
FOR all the saints—

† **Watchful** – be alert, in a war, enemy *planning, watching, waiting, lurking...*

† **Perseverance** – pay careful attention.

† **Supplication** (REPEATED) – Asking based on need.

† **“For all the saints”** – ALL in battle, all need to win their battles, DISCIPLESHIP helps all!

3) WORD _____

Paul's specific request shows reason for Spiritual Development Sermon Series:

Ephesians 6:19-20 NKJV

- ¹⁹ and for me, that **UTTERANCE** may be given to me,
that I may **open my mouth boldly**
to **MAKE KNOWN THE MYSTERY OF THE GOSPEL,**
- ²⁰ for which I am an **ambassador in chains;**
that in it I may **speak boldly**, as I ought to speak.

Someone you know... needs to hear the Gospel that Saves!

Be Bold – SPEAK GOD'S WORD!!!

Be Bold verses in NKJV: Proverbs 28:1; Mark 15:43 **NIV**; Acts 4:13; 4:29-31; 9:27; 13:46; 14:1-3;
Romans 19:8; Ephesians 3:8-12; Hebrews 13:6; Phil 1:12-14; 1 Thess 2:2

✝ John 14:26 NKJV - SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT SERIES introduction

✝ 1 Peter 2:2 NKJV; Psalm 42:1 NKJV

✝ Psalm 119:105 NKJV

✝ 2 Timothy 3:16-17 NKJV

- a) Doctrine What _____ Right
- b) Reproof What is _____ Right
- c) Correction How to _____ Right
- d) Instruction How to _____ Right

✝ John 15:5 NKJV

4) WORD _____

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CONCLUSION – Quote of the Week

We learn the Word and speak the Word **BOLDLY**
that others may **KNOW THE MYSTERY OF THE GOSPEL!**
that others may receive Salvation in Jesus Christ!