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“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”

Again in the Bible the word **song** is used **79** times and the word **sing** is used **119** times. Here is a very small sampling:

In Psalms 33:1-3 we read, “**Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright. (2) Praise the LORD with harp: sing unto him with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings. (3) Sing unto him a new song...**”

In Psalms 95:1-2 we read, “**O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation. (2) Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.**”

In Isaiah 55:12 we read, “**For ye shall go out with joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains and the hills shall break forth before you into singing, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.**”

Now in Ephesians 6:10-18 we read about the “whole armor of GOD” that the believer is to put on in order to stand against the “wiles of the devil.”

“**Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. (11) Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. (12) For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. (13) Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. (14) Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; (15) And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; (16) Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. (17) And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: (18) Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;...**”

During the great revival of 1858, “**Stand up for Jesus**” was the dying message of the Reverend Dudley Tyng to the Philadelphia Young Men's Christian Association and the ministers associated with them in the noon-day prayer meeting usually known as the

"Work of God in Philadelphia." On Sunday, Rev. Tyng had spoken to over 5000 men gathered in Janes Hall. Of these 5000 men, over 1000 responded to the invitation.

The following Wednesday, Dr. Tyng was at home on his farm and decided he would go out to the barn where they were shelling corn. While there, the sleeve of the silk study jacket he was wearing caught in the cogs of a wheel as a mule was turning the corn sheller. Dr. Tyng's arm was pulled into the sheller and literally pulled out at the roots and within a few hours Dr. Tyng would be dead. But not before he had given those stirring words in answer to a question from his father who asked, "**Dudley, hundreds of your friends and co-workers are waiting for news from you. What should I tell them?**" His answer was, "**Father, tell them to stand up for Jesus.**"

These were his last words. At the funeral service the following Sunday, Dr. George Duffield, a well-known Presbyterian pastor, gave the message. At the conclusion he quoted a poem that he had written based upon the last words of Dudley Tyng. This has become our well-known and beloved Gospel song, "**Stand Up, Stand Up For Jesus.**"

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus! Ye soldiers of the cross;
Lift high His royal banner, it must not suffer loss.
From victory unto victory, His army shall He lead,
Till every foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed.**

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus! The trumpet call obey:
Forth to the mighty conflict, in this His glorious day.
Ye that are men now serve Him against unnumbered foes;
Let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose.**

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus! Stand in His strength alone,
The arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own;
Put on the gospel armor, and watching unto prayer,
Where calls the voice of duty, be never wanting there.**

**Stand up, stand up for Jesus! The strife will not be long;
This day the noise of battle, the next the victor's song.
To him that overcometh a crown of life shall be;
He with the King of glory shall reign eternally.**

In ***HIS*** Amazing Grace,
Pastor David Miklas

Francis A. Schaeffer, from A Christian Manifesto, 1981, "**Justice is based on God's written law, back through the New Testament to Moses' written Law; and the content and authority of that written Law is rooted back to Him who is the final reality. Thus, neither church nor state were equal to, let alone above, that Law. The base for law is not divided, and no one has the right to place anything, including king, state or church, above the contents of God's Law.**"

Happiness comes to those who bring HONOR and GLORY to God

Bible Study Objectives:

1. To remind us that we can glorify/honor God by obeying two simple commands: (I Corinthians 10:31, Matthew 5:16)
2. To remind us that we honor God as we value, highly esteem, show courtesy and respect for Him: (Proverbs 3:9)
3. To remind us that God will certainly honor every person who consistently chooses to honor Him: (I Samuel 2:30)
4. To remind us that we will receive honor and respect exactly as we honor and respect others: (Galatians 6:7)

Bible Study Content:

1. We honor/glorify the Lord by studying, obeying, and then teaching His Word to others: (II Timothy 2:2,15, 3:16)
2. We honor/glorify the Lord by being a Christian worthy of absolute trust from our closest friends: (Ephesians 4:1-32)
3. We honor/glorify the Lord by defending the faith and enduring hardness as a soldier: (Jude 1:3, II Timothy 2:3)
4. We honor/glorify the Lord by speaking to others using words of great respect - kindness: (Romans 12:10, Ephesians 5:4)
5. We honor/glorify the Lord by being filled with the Spirit and being in subjection one to another: (Ephesians 5:18-33)
6. We honor/glorify the Lord by treating all government officials with great respect: (Romans 13:1-7, I Peter 2:17)
7. We honor/glorify the Lord by treating our bosses with great kindness And respect: (I Timothy 6:1, Colossians 3:22)
8. We honor/glorify the Lord by taking care of widows in responding to their daily needs: (I Timothy 5:3, James 1:27)
9. We honor/glorify the Lord by providing double honor to those who make major contributions: (I Timothy 5:17)
10. We honor/glorify the Lord by avoiding sins that cause our reputations to be forever tarnished: (Proverbs 6:32-33)
11. We honor/glorify the Lord by using Biblical correctness in discussing issues like homosexuality: (Romans 1:24)
12. We honor/glorify the Lord by being disciplined in caring for our bodies: (Romans 12:1, I Corinthians 6:19, Luke 16:2)
13. We honor/glorify the Lord by serving/loving/caring for other people like we care for ourselves: (John 12:26, 21:17)

14. We honor/glorify the Lord by faithfully attending church with a good attitude: (Psalms 100:4, Hebrews 10:25)

15. We honor and glorify the Lord by speaking of and to our parents in a respectful honorable manner: (Ephesians 4:29-32)

16. We honor/glorify the Lord by keeping the non-negotiable lifetime contract to honor our parents: (Exodus 20:12)

It is always the right thing to do: (Ephesians 6:2)

It is an on-going command from God: (Exodus 20:1)

It is to respect/reverence long term: (Leviticus 19:3)

It is to continue to follow teachings: (Proverbs 6:20-24)

It is to leave a family legacy of honor: (II Timothy 1:5)

It is to continue to honor: (Proverbs 23:22)

It is to provide for them: (I Timothy 5:16)

It is to honor not deify them: (Matthew 10:37)

It is to bring joy to them: (Proverbs 15:20)

It is to wait patiently on the Lord: (Psalms 27:14)

▣ Bible Study Summary:

1. To remind us that when we honor the Lord and others, great blessings will come to us: (Deuteronomy 11:27)

2. To remind us that when we dishonor the Lord and others great sorrows will come to us: (Deuteronomy 11:28)

3. To remind us that when we respond to issues using Biblical principles God will always honor us: (Proverbs 13:18)

Someone wrote: Empty and broken I came back to Him, a vessel unworthy so scarred by my sin. But God did not despair; He just picked up the clay and started all over again. Oh I bless the day He didn't throw the clay away. He molds me and makes me, into His likeness as He fashions my clay. A vessel of honor I am today all because Jesus didn't throw the clay away. He is the potter I am the clay, He molds me into the image He wants me to stay. When I stumble/fall and my vessel breaks He just picks up the pieces, He never throws the clay away. A vessel of honor I am today, all because Jesus didn't throw the clay away. (Jeremiah 18:1-6)

**The Above lesson was written by Tommy Dowling
a Sunday School Teacher for over 40 years.**

If God has spoken to your heart after reading the sermon "**Happiness comes to those who bring HONOR and GLORY to God**" right now talk to God about what He has spoken to you.

Do you have the assurance that one day you will go to heaven? If you have no assurance that you know Jesus Christ, then I trust you will decide to accept Him as your personal Savior. The Bible tells us in

Acts 16:31, "...**Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved...**"

Romans 10:13, "**For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.**"

This prayer is here for those who need to ask Jesus to be their personal Savior: "**I do want to go to Heaven. I know I am a sinner, and I do believe Jesus Christ died for me. I realize I cannot buy this great salvation, nor can I earn it. Knowing Jesus died on the cross and arose from the grave to pay my sin debt and to purchase my salvation, I do now trust Him as my Savior, and from this moment on I am completely depending on Him for my salvation.**"

If you made the decision to accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, please let me know. Please send an e-mail to pastormiklas@aol.com and I will send you some literature that will help you in your Christian life.

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