

# THE FAITH STAND

## It's More Than You Think

### SCRIPTURES:

*Ephesians 6:11, 13, Colossians 1:23, I Peter 5:9, Hebrews 3:6, 4:14, 10:23, Joshua 23:6, 1:8,*

### What is a Stand of Faith?

- It is taking dominion over a situation or circumstance and then holding that position until the circumstances change in the natural.
- It is being convinced that because Jesus overcame the world, you are victorious in your circumstance.
- It is refusing to give the devil one inch of the ground you have taken against him.
- It is establishing the will of Heaven in the earth in your circumstance.

### What is a military stand?

- Ephesians 6 is a chapter on spiritual warfare. Part of warfare is taking ground and holding it until the enemy is destroyed.
- The faith stand is not standing around twiddling your thumbs until God plops it down. It is very active and engaged in the victory.
- The Bible says in Luke that Jesus set his mind on Jerusalem. Why? Because He knew He was going to get the victory for US to be victorious in our lives. He set His face like a flint and He refused to be distracted or stopped. That's the faith stand attitude we have to have. It is Militant.

*Isaiah 50:7, Luke 9:51*

### Why do I have to stand if Jesus already did it?

- Jesus established everything LEGALLY in Heaven. The Bible says that "whatsoever we BIND in the earth is already bound in Heaven and whatsoever we LOOSE in the earth is already loosed in Heaven.
- Genesis \_\_\_\_ says that God promised Abraham all the land He was giving His descendants. The earth belongs to the LORD. He can give His people any land He wants to regardless of who is currently living on it. To this day, the lands belonging to the nations all around Israel, were given to them by God.
- God made the promise. He decreed it so in Heaven. But they had to go in and take it away from people who did not want to give it up.
- It's the same thing with the New Covenant promises of healing, provisions, deliverance etc. It is already done, but we have to appropriate it into our lives and the fact is that Satan does not want us to walk in the victory Jesus purchased.
- So we take dominion and we stand in faith until the circumstances line up with our decrees.

## **We are Kingdom Kings and Priests**

- We decree and we take spiritual dominion over our realm of influence
- We take territory away from Satan and take it for the Kingdom of God through prayer.
- I Peter 2:9 says that we are a Holy Nation, a Peculiar people. We are kings and priests of the Most High God and Jesus is King of kings! He is our King.
- Kings decree laws in their realm. Kings make declarations into their realm. Kings go out and increase their kingdom through warfare.
- Priests stand in the gap for others. Priests can change entire nations through prayer.
- Our High Priest is Jesus.
- As kings and priests of God, we are in a unique position to make a huge difference in the lives of people in our realm of influence. Think about it.

***NOTE: WE ARE IN AN OFFENSIVE POSITION, NOT A DEFENSIVE ONE. The gates of hell won't prevail against the Church. This means we keep pushing forward. We don't ever retreat! Our job is to bring heaven's will to the earth.***

## **What do I have to do to be a King and a Priest in the Kingdom?**

- You must have a personal and intimate relationship—a personal knowing of Jesus.
- You must know your Kingdom authority and rights.
- You must be committed to living a Holy lifestyle, submitting your body to Jesus as a living sacrifice.
- You must have confidence in the promises of God in the Bible. Know your benefits!
- You must operate in the fullness of SOZOS salvation. You must believe it belongs to you.
- You must wield the Word of God like a sword, knowing it because you devour it every day.
- You must pray fervently in the Spirit and will all manner of prayer. You must know Him so well you can confidently pray for any situation.
- You must be CONVINCED you have the victory.

## **Having Done All:**

- Make your request known to God.
- Speak to the Mountain.
- Bind and Loose
- Decree and Declare Heaven's will over the situation.
- Release the Kingdom and the Blood of Jesus over the situation.

**Stand:**

- Take your dominion position.
- Praise and Thanksgiving from your heart for the victory.
- Pray in the Spirit even when the circumstances are bleak.
- Release declarations over the circumstances until the devil lets go.

**Summary**

- We have dominion in the earth. We have unconditional authority because Jesus got it back for us.
- It's about knowing Him for yourself.
- It's about knowing who you are in Christ.
- It's about being convinced of your victory in spite of opposition.
- It's about giving God all the glory for what He has already done.

**Conclusion**

Standing is refusing to give up your position one inch. You have assumed a position of victory and you are convinced that victory is already done. Satan will let go when he sees you won't be moved from your position. IN the end, WE ALWAYS WIN...IF WE DON'T GIVE UP.