

Hold the Line!
Know When Not to Back Down

Philippians, #16

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Text: Philippians 4:1

Truth Points: What truth was covered this weekend in the message?

1. What does it mean to hold fast in Philippians 4:1? How does it relate to the following passages?
 - 1 Corinthians 16:13
 - Galatians 5:1
 - 1 Thessalonians 3:8
 - 2 Thessalonians 2:15

2. How is Paul's affection found in this passage? Should this be expected of believers today? Why or why not? If so, what would it be like practically?

3. Does the passage clarify what we are to stand firm in or is it ambiguous?

4. Define justification. How do we hold fast regarding justification?

5. Define sanctification. How do we hold fast regarding sanctification?

6. Define glorification. How do we hold fast to glorification?

Reflection Points: How does God want me to think, feel, act, and speak because of this truth?

1. Am I standing firm in these three doctrines (justification, sanctification, glorification) or have I been seduced by the world? How have I held the line of them in the past? How am I doing it right now? What has it cost me? What will it cost me? Am I willing to pay the price?
2. Will I receive Jesus' reward for standing firm, or will cowardness rob me of it? Does it really matter either way to me? Does it matter at all to me?

Action Points: What am I going to do **this week** because of this truth?

1. **Read** Philippians 4:2–5 for next week.
2. **Memorize** Philippians 4:1.
3. **Ask** yourself three questions every day:
 - Am I holding the line?
 - Where am I the weakest?
 - Will cowardness overcome?
4. **Share** with another follower of Jesus what you are learning about God, the Bible, Jesus, etc. Help them follow Jesus better in 2024.