

ENDURING FAITH

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The Stand of Faith, and Enduring Faith

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Faith like a Rare Vintage Wine

The world of today is a fast-paced world, where everything has been speeded up and continues to be speeded up with each year that passes. You live in a fast-food world, a world where more and more emphasis is placed on acquiring things quickly, and there is less emphasis on the quality of things. People are naturally used to everything being much quicker, taking much less time.

At the drop of a coin a machine spits out a drink, or at a fast-food counter a meal is served in minutes. Once upon a time, people spent a very long time building their houses and acquiring the money to do so, whereas in the world of today, houses are thrown up at a breakneck speed.

People expect to retire more quickly, to work less, and to acquire more and have more leisure. Many opt to speed up the process of childbirth, choosing caesarians or other intervention for the sake of convenience. People can instant message and send e-mail or large amounts of data around the world in seconds, or travel to the other side of the world in a matter of hours.

This speeding up of the world at large has changed everyone's expectations of what is normal or acceptable. It can lead to heightened expectations on the spiritual front as well--expectations for miracles, answers to prayer and change to occur in the spirit world just as quickly. Although I am a moving, changing God, and in some areas I do speed up to keep in step with the times, in other things I do not.

I know the nature of man, and I know what is needed to bring about true spiritual maturity and depth, so that your faith will be properly cultivated and aged, like a rare and valued vintage wine. In today's world the expectations are such that when you pray, believing that you receive it, that you shall instantaneously have it. And yet that was not My original intent when I gave that promise to My disciples.

There are times when I do bring answers to prayer instantaneously, but there are also many times when I expect you to allow for the wine of your faith to mature and develop and to reach the fullness of its flavor.

So it is with the spiritual power I have given you, through the keys of the Kingdom, through the power of prayer. When you pray and claim the keys, I go to work for you immediately. Many, many times, in fact in the majority of cases, not long afterwards you see the results--supply, healing, spiritual change, progress, open doors, sheep, etc. All day long, you experience these relatively immediate results as you activate the keys of the

Kingdom, and yet you think little of it, for you expect to see those immediate results. And when the keys don't produce the immediate results you expected, you wonder if they "work" or if My promises are true.

Throughout the centuries My people of faith have been tested and tried through not seeing the immediate answers to their prayers. They waited thousands of years for Me, their Messiah, and prayed and pleaded with God to send Me. Yet He could not send Me until the timing was exactly right, when all was aligned, world conditions were right, the hearts of men were prepared, the government of the world was what it needed to be in order for My Word to spread and My followers to survive, etc. So many conditions had to be just right, even though so many clamored earnestly for years on end for My coming. Then, after I came, many of those same people rejected Me outright, because the answer to their prayer did not come in the packaging they had hoped for--that of a king of earthly Israel.

My brides, you have need of patience, that after you have performed My will, you might receive the promise (Heb.10:36). Patience is not an easy virtue to cultivate, and in fact, it goes entirely against the modern way of the world, which is all about speed, "right now," and instant results. But even though you live in the world, you are not of this world, and the spiritual dynamics have not changed--patience takes faith, and faith is the cornerstone of your lives for Me.

You will continue to experience miracles, instant answers to prayer, "dimes from the sky" when I know it is best. And as you become more skilled in your use of the spiritual weapons and stronger in faith, the power will continue to grow.

But you will also continue to experience the tests, trials, and challenges of life that arise when My answers do not come immediately. And this trying of your faith will work patience, which is a very important facet of faith.

Faith isn't manifested only in your ability to receive immediate, miraculous answers to prayer; it is also manifested in endurance, longsuffering, and the ability and patience to keep on fighting even when you don't see immediate responses or action as a result of your prayers and claiming the keys. So let patience have her perfect work, so that your faith can be whole, and entire, wanting nothing (James 1:4).

Remember, I'm not on the world's timetable. Though it's easy to grow accustomed to the faster pace of the world--and indeed, you live within it in order to win the lost and reach the world--still, faith takes patience, and patience is the mark of a vintage faith, one that has been deepened and ripened and is mature and rich and full-bodied. (1)

Endurance

Ah, endurance! How I love it when My brides hold on through tough fights, refusing to quit even when it seems there is no victory in sight. My heart thrills to the courage of those who continue to fight tenaciously through battles, trials, difficulties, attacks, or sicknesses, even though the victory sometimes does not seem to come.

Endurance is the ultimate in faith. Endurance is saying to Me that although you don't see My answer yet, you know that it is coming and you will last as long as needed until I finally deliver you.

But one thing no one ever said about endurance was that it was easy. No one has ever been born a master of endurance. The tenacity to stick it out through pain and anguish and to fight through hard battles toward a goal is a skill that is developed through practice, hard work, prayer, and wielding your weapons through lots of difficulties and hardships. You need a steel will that will persevere in prayer, claiming the keys of clear vision to help you see the end result and refuse to give up before you obtain the blessing.

Why is this skill so important, you might wonder? The skill of learning to endure tough battles, even protracted battles, is important because you are getting closer to the End. Part of getting closer to the End is that the Enemy's power is increasing, the spiritual battles are waxing hotter, and in many cases the answers will be slower in coming-to test your faith, as a witness to the world of your faith that refuses to quit, and also to allow the Enemy his last days, what I have promised in the Bible that I would allow him.

As you come closer to the End you will see that although there will be instances of on-the-spot miracles and supernatural and immediate outpourings of miracle power, there will also be other cases where you will need great patience to stick it out and keep fighting in spirit until My purpose is accomplished, your testimony is complete, or the conditions are right for you to obtain victory and find the relief you need.

In other words, I haven't called it the Great Tribulation for nothing! If you're destined to go through those days, and even live and fight in these days leading up to that time, you're going to have to be tough soldiers, ready to wield My power in an instant and be able to be humble enough to not get puffed up when I work awesome miracles through you.-Yet at the same time, be willing to fight long battles against the Enemy when there don't seem to be instant miracles, and to hold your ground steadfastly and not lose your faith when I don't deliver you immediately.

The prophet Daniel had to hold on for three weeks while an angel wrestled with the prince of Persia. That kind of battle is going to come upon you more frequently, and so I desire to strengthen your spiritual endurance and prepare you to not lose your confidence when I don't rescue you prematurely. ⁽²⁾

Faith is the Victory!

To endure means to persevere, to resist, to have the strength to not give up. It means that your roots are so deep and your stance is so strong that nothing is going to move you.

I often allow a space for endurance to show itself. For if your roots are planted deep enough and if the stance is strong enough, no affliction, no persecution, no buffeting, no spiritual attacks, no words, no winds, no rains, no bad news, nothing is able to move it! If in a particular situation you have real faith, faith is knowing, and nothing will be able to uproot that knowledge.

Remember, faith is blind to failure or defeat. Faith is also able to quench or withstand any attack of the Enemy. That means that real faith has within it the innate ability to not be moved no matter what the circumstances. Remember what I said to My disciples, that faith just the size of a tiny grain of mustard seed could actually move a mountain (Mat.17:20). That's how strong faith is.

Faith is the indestructible steel of the spirit world. Nothing can quench it, break it, or move it. But to become that strong, to actually have your faith grow into that indestructible substance, it has to be tried in the fire, just like steel, then put in the water, then put in the fire again, hammered, shaped into the type of faith you want, put in the water again, and back in the fire.

Faith is actually a stand you make because of your belief. You take a stand of faith on some truth, based on My love and My Word. Your stance may not always be so sure. Maybe you're "pretty sure" My Word works, but your faith is wavering a little in a particular situation that I put you in. My goal is often to strengthen your faith in My Word, so I must sometimes allow your faith to be tested.

I try you in the fire to see what sort of stand you are going to make, allowing you to experience things to test your faith. When you make a stand of faith, I often turn up the heat a little bit, a little at a time, to see if you will ratchet up your faith accordingly.

You see, real gold faith does not give up. It may waver a little, you might be tempted to be fearful, but when all is said and done, there is a seed deep in the center of your heart, a deep stance that you are making. If you truly believe in Me and My Word, if this is the deep root in your heart and if this is the seed from which your entire life emanates, then it will survive the fire. Why? Because faith is immovable, indestructible, able to withstand any amount of heat, and able to quench and stop anything that is thrown at it. It's as simple as that.

So if you have faith in Me deep within you, nothing can displace it. But often My children are weak and wavering in faith. The true seed is there, but I need it to grow into the full plant-first the seed, then the stalk, then the ear in the stalk to where it is bearing fruit. I work with your faith. I take it where it's at, and I work on it. I allow a little trial here and a little trial there, and if it is true faith and you take the proper stand upon it, if you

feed your faith with My Word, each trial strengthens your faith.

Look at Abraham-he was going to become the "father of faith" for all time. He had the seed of faith in him, but he himself didn't know how strong it was. I finally brought him to the point where I gave him the ultimate test, because he had to know, and I had to know, that his faith was that strong. He had to know that he was willing to give up even the very fruit of the promise, knowing that I would still keep My promise, somehow, somehow. He had to trust, even though he couldn't see how I would fulfill My promise. He had to be blind to the possibility of failure. If faith can't ignore the possibility of defeat and keep going, then it isn't faith.

Faith requires a period of unquestioning perseverance, unswerving trust, before it sees the results, and this period is called endurance. Remember, some of My martyrs refused deliverance that they might obtain a better resurrection. They chose to endure the fire and the persecution so that their rewards would be greater.

Remember, the trying of your faith is more precious than gold. I don't allow you to be tested because I want you to suffer. I allow it because I know the seed is there, the true seed, and I want to teach you to give up all in order to make your stand on it, so that when you come here to be with Me you will have a reward that is much more valuable than gold is in your world.

Remember, faith is the true coinage of the realm, and the quantity and amount of faith you have when you come here is going to be of real value to you.

Now, in your life on Earth, is the time for you to exercise your faith, to develop it like a muscle, to let it grow. The value of enlarging your faith and cultivating it is of inestimable value in the spirit world. Your faith will last eternally. That's one reason being born into a life on Earth is such a privilege and why you should use your time there wisely, because it is a stage of existence where you can determine your rewards and your status and develop as much value as you want to have here.

Some of My martyrs refused deliverance because they were going far beyond the gold. They were going for the true coinage of the heavenly realm and they wanted to prove their faith and make their stand to their last breath, and even then some. They wanted to be a testimony even in their deaths, and so fought for one more breath, one more bit of strength to shout and sing and smile out their witness. They asked Me not to take them quite yet, because they were not finished gathering their rewards. They wanted to do more and go further for Me, and I allowed that, because their faith was strong enough that they could endure.

So sometimes there has to be a period of endurance, where your faith is tried. Of course, when the fire comes, there are things you can do to improve your fight.

First, you make a stand on your foundation of faith. Then you have to start fighting with your spiritual weapons, memorizing and quoting the Word, praying and seeking Me and finding out what My precise will is for you in the matter, what stance I want you to take. I also want to see what stance you are going to take. It is a meeting of the wills, yours and Mine. I don't want to force you. I want to see what your will is because I am

intensely interested in you. You are My bride, My love. I gave up everything I had for you. I want to see what your choice is. But I am smarter and wiser than you and I see what's ahead, so I want to show you what My will is as well. Then between the two choices, you can freely choose where you are going to stand.

I understand and see the seed of faith in your heart, and I try to direct you onto the square center of that seed, to make your stand there. I know where the center is, where the best, most solid stand will be. So I allow situations to happen to nudge you to get to the direct center of My will for you, to nudge you to take the stand that you should take.

If you follow My direction and make that stand, then nothing can move you, for you know it is the truth which will last forever, and when the fire is gone and the turmoil has ended, you will still be standing there right on that foundation of faith. In other words, that foundation has the capability of outlasting every other circumstance or attack. Anything that could possibly confront you is weaker than that foundation of faith. ⁽³⁾

But winds and rain and storms of adverse circumstances may come and push you away from the spot you were standing on for a moment. Circumstances and conditions may make it seem like your stand is impossible, that you should give up, or settle for less than the best, or compromise just a little. But if you have faith and know and trust My will and My Word, you will reclaim and resume your stand of faith, being fully assured that what I have promised, I am able to perform (Romans 4:21).

You will be like Job, who, even though he lost wealth and health and family, was still able to say, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust in Him!" (Job 13:15). You will be like Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who, even though they were about to be tossed into the furnace, said, "Our God in Whom we trust is able to deliver us. But if He doesn't, we'll trust Him anyway!" (Daniel 3:17-18). You will be like Abraham, who staggered not at My promise through unbelief, but trusted that I would raise him up a child, even though he was as good as dead, and that I would raise that child from the dead if need be (Romans 4:16-21; Hebrews 11:17-19).

You will be like Martha, trusting that I was able to raise Lazarus from the dead even though he had been in the grave four days already (John 11:21-22). You will be like Paul on his voyage to Rome, trusting in My words to him and My deliverance, even though the storm had raged around him for days (Acts 27:22-25). You will be like Joshua, who was willing to merely march his men around Jericho for a week, trusting Me to do the miracle of bringing down the walls (Joshua 6). This is the sure stand of faith.

To have faith, make sure something is My will, that My Word grants you the power for it, that you are being obedient, that you are willing to persevere to the end, and take the stand of faith--despite the sight of your eyes, or the reasoning of your mind, or the conditions and circumstances. Then, having done all this, stand. If moved by adverse circumstances, go back and resume your stand. If you do, you will see the answer to your prayers and the good fruit of your faith, even miracles and great and mighty things you hadn't imagined! Then you'll join My other servants who exercised their faith and stood

on their faith in My hall of fame in Hebrews 11--the faithful ones, those who were full of faith. Read it often to encourage your faith, dear ones, and claim its promises and the promises I have given you through My Word today.

These men and women of old were men and women just like you--men and women full of faults and failings, with like passions, like sins, like shortcomings. But they made the decision to trust Me and have faith just because I'd said so, or because My Word said they should. Sometimes their stand of faith went against every evidence of their senses, or every voice of their friends and family--but they stood anyway, they trusted anyway, and they received the promise anyway! They took the stand of faith, nothing wavering, determined to please Me and determined to believe My Word--and they did!

So can you, My loves! Have faith, maintain your faith, and stand on your faith. According to your faith, so will it be done unto you. Those of great faith will receive great answers. Will you? You can! ⁽⁴⁾

Overcoming and Enduring is Part of your Testimony

Faith is persevering in My will, even when you don't see Me answering you. Noah persevered for 120 years in building the Ark, sometimes wondering if he'd gotten something wrong and was failing Me, and other times wondering if maybe I'd changed My mind. But he just kept plugging along nevertheless, keeping the faith. Faith was a key part of the witness that I needed him to give to the wicked world. What greater testament of faith could he have than being determined to obey whether it seemed that I was fulfilling My side or not?

It took great faith to face those crowds of scoffers after a hundred years of telling them about the coming flood. He could easily have looked at the impossibility of the task before him and how long he was having to endure without seeing results. He had to take the flood and the need for the Ark totally by faith, since he only had My voice to go on.

Or look at Moses, after he'd been broken and humbled and learned to depend utterly on Me. He goes before Pharaoh, trusting My promise to deliver the children of Israel, and what happens? Pharaoh says no and makes the children of Israel work even harder! Things looked like they were even worse than before, and by every standard that the mind could grasp, they were! Had My promises actually failed? Of course not. But in those times when to you they seem to have failed, it can cause severe testing if you are looking to visible results to "prove" their veracity.

Moses' trusting in My promises and obedience to My instructions looked like a total failure. His people seemed worse off than ever! In fact, he had to go back and face failure several more times before the victory finally came.

Do you think Moses was tempted to doubt, to wonder if what I'd said was real? Do you think he felt like that was the end and that My power wasn't so great after all? Of

course he was tempted to doubt! Of course it seemed hopeless. He battled fiercely! He was humiliated before the very people he was trying so hard to help.

Many times you must step out on blind faith, even when it looks like I've failed or My promises aren't real, or the keys aren't all I've said they were, or My promises of power, protection, and supply aren't being fulfilled like you thought they would be. No matter what things look like, you have to determine that you are going to obey and follow even when everything seems to have gone wrong. That's the greatest testimony of faith that you can have.

Sometimes the periods when all seems to have failed are short, sometimes they are long. Before I parted the Red Sea, it looked like all was lost. Pharaoh's armies had the children of Israel surrounded and trapped. But without that time of hopelessness, the miracle would not have been nearly as great a testimony.

I said through your David that it takes an impossible situation for Me to do a miracle. That means that you have to face situations that seem impossibly difficult at times in order to see the miracle of My power bringing you through to the victory.

I take you through those impossible situations, those times when it looks completely hopeless, and when I require that you hang on for that extra hour, that extra day, that extra period of time, in order to pull down the miracles. That is part of your testimony.

When those who are watching see you claiming the keys, claiming My promises, claiming the victories, claiming that I will do the work and somehow bring you through in spite of seeming failures and defeats, their faith is strengthened. When they see you fall and struggle and you still fight on, despite not seeing the proof with your eyes, knowing that I will fulfill My side, then their faith is strengthened to trust Me when things go wrong for them. (5)

So My goal is to get you to stand on your faith for many reasons, one of which is to develop it so that you are a mighty man or woman on Earth with strong faith that is able to protect you from any attack. And also so that when you enter eternal life you will have the coinage and value system to make you the happiest you could possibly be. There is something precious about having the privilege of living the Earth life, and faith is part of it.

But faith is a dangerous game, for if you don't have faith in a certain area or a certain circumstance, don't pretend that you have it. What I want you to do in each situation is to make your stand on faith, not on false faith. Remember, faith knows. Faith knows what the truth is, and it is the foundation of where you should stand. And then, having done all, stand. It's as simple as that.

I'm not saying it's easy. I'm saying if you have real faith you simply have to make your stand on it, come hell or high water. Remember Job's stance: Though He slay me, yet will I not give up my stand of faith. I will still believe! Do you have that kind of faith? If you do, then you will reap the rewards as Job did. His faith stood the test and came out better than gold.

You know whether you're fighting effectively in a certain situation by examining your situation, examining the foundation you are standing on, and asking yourself if you are effectively fighting the Enemy and defeating every attack he throws at you to try to push you off that foundation of faith. If you are making an effective stand, you won't allow anything to weaken your faith. That's how you know whether you are fighting effectively.

Are you casting down every imagination that exalts itself against your faith?-Or are you like a boat taking on water in the sea? If you are resisting the Enemy, resisting his doubts and lies, taking out your sword and all of your weapons and blasting the lies and spirit of the Enemy to Hell, if you are still standing there and not doubting, that is pretty effective fighting.

But if you are fearful or doubting, then you need to strengthen your faith. It is not strong enough. You need to fight more, you need to build up your faith in the Word, you need to decide where the center of your foundation of faith is, and you must go and stand there.

If you're standing there on that foundation, swinging your swords and weapons with both arms and cutting the Enemy's attacks against your faith to shreds; if you are so sure of your stance that you are willing to die for it, knowing that I will still answer; if you are willing to even give up seeing the answer, as Abraham was, and yet still believe that I am able to fulfill My promise to you somehow, then that, My loves, is passing the test, and I honor that kind of faith.

Once you have examined your stance and made sure you are on the right foundation, and you are quenching and destroying every attack against it, then you know you are fighting effectively, and then it's time to endure. Your faith and your stance are so strong that nothing will affect it.

I want you to endure, and enduring doesn't mean weakening. If your faith is weakening during this period, then it is not real gold faith, or you are not standing on the right foundation, or you're not fighting effectively, or you're not building your faith with My Word and using the spiritual weapons that are available to you.

If it is real gold faith and you are doing your part to strengthen it, it will in fact get stronger during the period of endurance, and this is often one of My reasons for allowing prolonged tests and trials, because I know your faith needs to be strengthened through fighting and not giving up. I also know that you need to know the strength and capabilities and extent, length, breadth, and width of your faith.

When you reach this point of total endurance, it is not a weakening thing in spirit. It may be in the flesh, but in the spirit you are growing stronger, because your faith is actually growing during this time and that is giving you stronger muscles in the spirit. Your faith is growing stronger as you endure.

If your faith is growing weaker, then you know you are not fighting effectively enough, and you need to examine your foundation, examine your weapons, examine your faith, look at My Word, look at how you're fighting and find out where your weak spot is

that is getting attacked and becoming weaker.

However, once you correct this, once you find the weak spot and strengthen it, and take your stand of endurance and begin fighting with both arms and all your might again, then you won't be getting weaker by the moment. Why? Because your faith is so strong and you are so sure of your stance that you actually become stronger in spirit. Your faith becomes a powerhouse of spiritual strength and power, and nothing of the Enemy can come near it that doesn't get electrocuted instantly, because you are emanating such spiritual power!

When it comes to this time to endure, where I allow the Enemy to attack you for prolonged periods, I expect you not to weaken in faith. It's like floating your faith on the waters. There's nothing you can do about the battles except make your stand of faith, come Hell or high water. Your faith is so sure that you simply float out onto the sea, and if the storm comes, it comes; if the waves come, they come; if the wind comes, it comes. But your faith is still afloat, because you are on My current and you know I am in control. True gold faith, like the cork in the storm, doesn't sink. It just keeps popping up, and nothing can sink it!

When you are passing through that time period of endurance, it's like floating in your boat out on the open sea. You may not know where the shore is across the sea, and you may not know how far away it is, but what you do know is that there is a shore, and that you are on My current, and that I am taking you there. You've put all in My hands, and you've decided, "I'm not going to sink, for God is going to take me to that shore." You don't let the winds discourage you, and you don't give up when the waves come. Nothing can stop your faith. This kind of faith always reaches the shore! It has never failed yet. That is the faith that goes through the storm, because it can't be sunk.

So if you're doing all you can do, if your foundation is sure, if you're fighting with all your weapons and not getting weaker in spirit, then it is time to go through the storm and trust that I will help you survive, and I will. It's time to make your stand and let nothing move you spiritually. If you are moved, then something is wrong with your faith and you need to find out what it is, strengthen it, or move to the right foundation, or attend to whatever the weakness is.

But once you're sure, then make your stand of faith through endurance. You will reach the other side. I have never failed yet. Faith is the victory, and faith always gets to the victory, every time! Why? Because it is founded on My Word, and My Word never fails. Your faith is placed in Me, and I never fail. The worlds are framed by My Word. My Word is the foundation and frame of the world you live in, and if you are standing on that foundation and within that framework, your stand is sure, and has the ability to outlast anything that comes against it.

The battle I have called you to may just be the time of endurance for you, to prove your faith to Me and to yourself, and to grow your faith and your rewards. There are often many other reasons I allow long-term battles, often for a testimony to others and to grow their faith. But eventually, you will reach the shore.

When it is time to get into the ship of endurance, you will know it. You will batten down the hatches and you will endure, knowing that the trial is but for a time, and afterward there is exceeding great reward, and that it works in you a far more precious result. ⁽⁶⁾

(The Apostle Paul speaking:) Hold fast that which you have, let no man, no, not even Satan steal that which you have, the crown of glory that is given unto you. Hold it fast. Hold it through the storm. Hold it through the flood. Hold it through the fire. For there is laid up for you that are faithful, you that are trusting, an exceeding great reward.

There are many, many, many here that died trusting, and theirs is an exceeding great reward. And there are many, many, many here that have endured, and theirs, too, is equally a great reward.

So do not let go. Hold fast that crown, that crown of joy, that crown of life, that crown of service, that crown of reward. Do not set it down. Hold it. For I can say it is well worth it to hold on through all the depths, for when you do, you have great reward there upon the earth, and abundant great reward here in the heavenlies. For we are watching and we are helping, but it is you that must make the choice.

And once you choose to hold on, then we can spring into action and help even more. But you must choose, you must take the step of faith, that is for you alone to choose. So be not fearful to undergo whatever it is that is sent your way--your testings, your trials, your purgings. But know that He is faithful to keep you in all your tribulations, and through your tribulations and beyond your tribulations. ⁽⁷⁾

When Satan comes to tempt me, I will take my stand.

When words spewed forth rock my faith, I will take my stand.

When his doubts and lies confuse me, I will take my stand.

When he tempts me to quit, I will take my stand.

When his words seem so convincing, I will take my stand.

When he causes me to question my beliefs, I'm gonna take my stand.

When I feel overwhelmed by his accusations, still I will take my stand.

When his attacks are personal and hurt me, I'll take my stand.

When his influence is tempting me to doubt Your words, I'm gonna take my stand.

When others around are losing their faith, I'll take my stand.

I will take my stand and will not give in to his puny attempts to try to overthrow my faith.

I will take my stand and show the Devil what I'm made of.

I will take my stand, for it is not I that live, but You, my Love, who live in me.

I'll take my stand, for I have all Heaven fighting for me, with legions at my command.

I'll take my stand, for it is battles like this that bring out the fighter in me.

I'm gonna take my stand and rejoice in the battle, for victory is assured.

I'll take my stand and remind myself that I am destined to win many to Jesus, and this is why the Devil hates me and tries to fight me.

I will take my stand and love this fight, brandishing the keys and the new weapons made available to me.

I will take my stand, for I have joined the ranks of those that have gone before me who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake.

I will take my stand and not go back on it, for it is in standing my ground that the Enemy of my soul finds himself trembling and running in defeat.

I will know no defeat, for I have taken my stand. ⁽⁸⁾

Sometimes enduring faith is visibly rewarded in this life with the desired answer or desired miracle, sometimes not. But in either case, it is afforded the highest honors and rewards in My Kingdom. ⁽⁹⁾

1.Faith--now and forever! #3699:130-142

2.The Art Of War, Part 2 #3533:12-18

3.The Art Of War, Part 2 #3533:102-119

4.Greater Faith, Part 1 #3628:53-58

5.Faith--now and forever! #3699:39, 42-50

6.Art Of War, The, Part 2 #3533:120-138

7.Let Jesus Bear the Weight! #2987:98-101

8.Fight for Your Faith, Part 1! #3667:96

9.Prayer Drive November 2007:#3654D:19