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Stand Firm

June Series: Live What Was Built

Week Focus: Faithful to the Finish

Scripture – 1 Corinthians 15:58 - *"Stand firm. Let nothing move you... your labor in the Lord is not in vain."*

Devotional Reflection

Every believer begins the Christian journey with enthusiasm, but God calls us to do more than simply begin well—He calls us to remain faithful until the end. There will be moments when following Christ feels exciting and moments when it feels difficult. There will be seasons of growth, seasons of waiting, seasons of victory, and seasons of testing. Through every season, God's instruction remains the same: **stand firm**.

Standing firm does not mean that life will be free from challenges. In fact, Scripture repeatedly reminds us that trials, disappointments, opposition, and spiritual battles are part of the Christian life. The difference is that our stability is not found in changing circumstances but in the unchanging character of God. When our lives are built on His truth, we are not easily shaken by temporary difficulties. We may bend under pressure, but we do not have to break.

The Apostle Paul wrote these words after proclaiming the victory of Christ over sin and death. Because Jesus has already secured the ultimate victory, believers can remain steadfast with confidence. We are not standing in uncertainty, hoping God will come through. We are standing on promises that have already been fulfilled through Christ. Every act of obedience, every prayer offered in faith, every sacrifice made for God's kingdom has eternal significance.

There are times when faithfulness feels unnoticed. You may faithfully serve without recognition, pray without seeing immediate answers, or continue obeying God while waiting for His promises to unfold. In those moments, it is easy to become discouraged. Yet Paul reminds us that our labor in the Lord is never wasted. God sees every act of faithfulness, and He is working even when we cannot yet see the results. What feels ordinary to us is often extraordinary in God's hands.

Today, determine that you will stand firm regardless of what comes your way. Refuse to allow discouragement, disappointment, or delay to move you away from God's purpose. The same God who has carried you this far will continue to strengthen you. Stay rooted in His Word. Remain faithful in your calling. Keep trusting His promises. A life that stands firm is a life that finishes well.

Focus for Today

My strength comes from standing firm in God's unchanging truth, not in changing circumstances.

Practice

- Read 1 Corinthians 15:58 several times today.
 - Reflect on one area where God has helped you remain faithful through a difficult season.
 - Ask God to strengthen you in an area where you have grown weary.
 - Encourage another believer who may need to stand firm today.
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Prayer

Father, thank You for being my firm foundation. When life becomes difficult, help me remain steadfast in my faith. Strengthen me when I grow weary and remind me that my labor for You is never wasted. Give me the courage to stand firm, trust Your promises, and remain faithful in every season. Help me finish the race You have set before me with perseverance and joy. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Reflection Question

What circumstance has been testing your faith recently, and how is God inviting you to stand firm instead of giving up?