

We Must Have the Courage to Stand Alone



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- Review – “Things We Must Do to Shift Properly”
- This year 2022, is the year of “shifting.”
- Shift – to change; to change the place, position, or direction; to move from one assignment to another.
- Goal: to make Jesus Christ clear and visible to the world.

- Lesson #1 – Do not Envy the World
- Envy – discontent or resentful because of another’s success, advantage, or superiority.
- A. The origin of envy came from Satan himself.
- B. We must be taught not to emulate the world.

- Lesson #2 – We Must See God as Our Source
- A. When we see God as our source, we rely on Him.
- B. When we see God as our source, we focus on Him.
- C. When we see God as our source, we will serve Him.

- Lesson #3 – We must Obey God with Child Like Simplicity
- When God gives me instructions I must know:
- A. That God speaks to me personally.
- B. I must know that obedience precedes reward.
- C. I must know that God’s instructions always include provisions.

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- There are two ways to look at alone.
- Alone – being by myself; being separated from.
- Alone:
 1. To be without equal.
 2. To be unique.
 3. To be exclusive.

- To stand alone requires two things:
 1. It requires an act of our will.
 2. It requires a sovereign act of God.

- Stand alone – means to gain the advantage in the face of and in spite of natural impossibilities.
- Stand – to overcome, to stay until the victory comes.
- Courage – ability to act on God’s Word without fear of loss or personal harm.

- 1. We must stand alone together (Dan. 3:3).
 - A. We must stand alone together as a church (body of Christ).
 - B. We must stand alone together as individuals.
 - C. We must stand alone together in a group fellowship.

- 2. We must stand alone because we are not alone (2 Kings 6:1).
 - A. We are not alone because what we cannot see is there.
 - B. We are not alone because there be more of us than it be of them.
 - C. He that is with us is sovereign.

- 3. We must stand alone because our God is God (1 Sam. 17:1).
 - A. When we know that God is God, we proclaim to the world what He said.
 - B. We know that God is God because He is bigger than the giants in our lives.
 - C. When we know that God is God, we are not afraid to act upon what we proclaim.