

“Stand Your Ground” 2 Samuel 23:1-12

Are you in a difficult battle? Have you _____ to Stand for what is Right?

Steve’s Verse for the Year is: “The _____ brought about a great victory _____.” 2 Samuel 23:10

- I.** As David neared the end of his life, he reflected on GOD’s _____ and _____ who helped him conquer and build a Kingdom. He did this with gratitude and _____. **V.1-7**
- A. His cherished top three Warrior-Leaders of the Nation were Josheb-basshebeth, Eleazar, and _____. **V.8-17**
- B. The Second Tier of Leaders in the Thirty were: Abishai, _____, and Asahel. **V.18-24**
- C. Then David’s remaining 30 Mighty Men **V.25-30** (actually _____ valiant men)

II. Your Enemy launches his assault:

- A. At the most _____ moment possible (planned for the demise of you and your family).
- B. When you are most vulnerable (_____).
- C. Incite _____, make you panic, so you then make bad _____.
- D. With a goal to _____ you, and move you away from the strength of others.
- E. To destroy your _____, so you will not stand and fight.
- F. To steal from you what the Father knows you need; _____.

III. The Enemy will tell you as he assaults you: (the Devil is a _____)

- “You are going to _____ again” “_____ else ran”
- “It is just _____” It’s not worth the effort or the _____”
- “You can fight another _____” “It’s not your _____”
- “Take care of _____”
- “It’s not your responsibility to make sure there _____ for the others”

IV. People are watching to see IF we will stand.

- A. The _____ are watching. The _____ are watching.
 The _____ are watching The _____ and Scoffers are watching
 The Devil and his _____ are watching
 The _____ in Heaven are watching. Heb. 12:1-2
 The _____ of Israel is watching The _____ of
 the Kingdom are watching your example.
- B. If you fight, they _____. If you run, _____.

- V.** I am sure that Shammah felt _____, insufficient, and overmatched.
- A. But Shammah _____ his decision to Stand His Ground. (he was tired of losing)
He thought, "These are the _____ of my Nation. I am not about to _____ with thieves and murderers."
- B. After fighting for hours, the Philistines _____ and retreated.
When the Israelites who previously fled, returned, they found the bodies of _____.
How do we know that? They _____.
- C. Shammah's Hebrew name has two meanings:
1. _____ (first)
 2. _____ (later) *Did you know that the LORD can give _____ to your name and character?

VI. Your responsibility in the Fight is to:

1. Simply _____. (90% of the fight) Take your _____. Do the _____, every day. Don't _____. Don't _____. Don't flee. Don't be _____. Or take the easy route.
2. When you stand and win, the next battles become _____. (because you are _____) When you run, the next battles are more _____ and more _____.
3. Take up the full _____ so you can stand. **Ephesians 6:10-18**
 - A. The Belt of Truth buckled around our waist. (_____ for Truth, every time)
 - B. The Breastplate of Righteousness (HIS righteousness protects your _____)
 - C. Your feet fitted with the _____ to take the Gospel of Peace
 - D. Lift up the Shield of Faith to protect you from the _____ of the Enemy.
 - E. Secure your _____ with the Helmet of Salvation. 1 Cor. 2:16
 - F. _____ the Sword of the Spirit – and run the Enemy away from you.
 - G. At all times, _____, praying in the Spirit.
4. Remember, in every battle, the Holy One, the _____, the All Powerful One ... is standing with you _____.
 - A. You do your _____, and HE will do HIS _____. 2 Samuel 23:10
 - B. HIS _____ with you, is more real than your presence, or the Enemy's presence.
 - C. HE is _____ for people to Stand with HIM. Those who stand will one day be _____ and remembered. Ezekiel 22:30, 2 Chronicles 16:9

What is the LORD calling you to do?

