

Unwavering - *My Choices*

Unwavering

un·wa·ver·ing *def.* steady and firm in purpose; unable to be swayed or diverted

I. Fearless Living in Fearful Days

Psalms 118:6-9 (NIV)

⁶The Lord is with me; I will not be afraid. **What can man do to me?** ⁷The Lord is with me; he is my helper. I will look in triumph on my enemies. ⁸It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. ⁹It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes.

Luke 12:4-5 (NASB)

⁴"I say to you, My friends, do not be afraid of those who kill the body and after that have no more that they can do. ⁵**"But I will warn you whom to fear:** fear the One who, after He has killed, has authority to cast into hell; yes, I tell you, fear Him!

1 Peter 3:13-15 (NIV)

¹³Who is going to harm you if you are eager to do good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. "Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened." ¹⁵But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord.

"Surrender to Security"

II. Steadfastness-A Renewable Resource

A. Your Spirit

Psalms 51:10-11 (NIV)

¹⁰Create in me a pure heart, O God, and **renew a steadfast spirit within me.** ¹¹Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.

1. Purity

2. Proximity

3. Paraclete

B. Your Body

Galatians 6:9-10 (NASB)

⁹Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time (Xairos---season) we will reap if we do not grow weary. ¹⁰So then, while we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, and especially to those who are of the household of the faith.

C. Your Soul

1 Peter 1:13 (NKJV)

¹³Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest *your* hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

Psalms 42:5-6 (NIV)

⁵Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise him, my Savior and ⁶my God. My soul is downcast within me; therefore I will remember you from the land of the Jordan, the heights of Hermon--from Mount Mizar.

III. 2010-2020, Time in the Arena

Ephesians 2:10 (NIV)

¹⁰For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which **God prepared in advance for us to do.**

Acts 1:7-9 (NIV)

⁷He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But **you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.**" ⁹After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

A. Prepared by God---

1. personal
2. congregational

B. We are not finished---

1. _____
2. _____

C. What's Next: *Characteristics*

1. Impossible
2. _____
3. Blessing to _____
4. Kingdom of God in U.S. & Nations



D. A Personal Choice

The Planet Earth is Depending on the People of God

I will not stop.

Key: personal, congregational, people story, blessing to Murfreesboro/Rutherford County