

Battle Plan, week 2

Every good plan must be adjusted in response to opportunities which present. Your faithfulness last week has prepared us to take another step of faith. United in prayer and heart, we will see God's response.

1. Begin our day with a Proclamation of Faith
2. Conclude our day with a Commitment to Truth
3. Read this week: Daniel, Esther, Nehemiah
(taking extra time in the Word of God will add strength)
4. Pray as the Lord reminds you, we will revisit our hourly prayers in the weeks ahead. The change of pace will expand our tool kit.

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A Proclamation of Faith

Stanza #1 --- A Sovereign God & His People

God has uniquely blessed us --- the best is yet to come.

The earth is the Lord's and everything in it.

He is the sovereign creator of all things.

Nothing is too difficult for Him, His love sustains us.

Jesus, His only son, is our savior, Lord & King.

We live in a season of shaking. God is shaking the earth.

He is restoring the Jewish people and purifying His Church.

If we look at the things which can be shaken we will be filled with terror.

If we look at the eternal Kingdom of our Lord, we will be filled with anticipation.

Our determination as we gather today is to declare before one another & Almighty God

WE WILL NOT STOP.

Isaiah 59:1 (NIV)

¹ Surely the arm of the LORD is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear.

Nehemiah 9:5-6 (NIV)

"Stand up and praise the LORD your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting." "Blessed be your glorious name, and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise. ⁶ You alone are the LORD. You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you.

Stanza #2 --- Faith & Perseverance

We are not satisfied.

We are not distracted.

We are not weary in doing good.

We are not discouraged.

We have our eyes on the cross and our hearts set on the prize.

We believe the One who has promised is Faithful.

We believe the Holy Spirit is our Helper.

We believe that what we ask in Jesus' name our Father provides.

We believe that the King of Kings is returning to the earth in all of His glory ---

and we intend to be about His business until that moment in time.

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James 1:2-4 (NIV)

² Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. ⁴ Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Hebrews 6:12 (NIV)

¹² We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

1 Timothy 6:12 (NIV)

¹² Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called . . .

Philippians 3:12 (NIV)

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

Hebrews 12:2-3 (NIV)

² Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Stanza #3 --- Jesus our Savior, Lord & King

We have cast our lot with the Prince of Peace,
We have yielded our will to the Lord of Lords,
We are servants of the King,
We reflect the beauty of the Lily of the Valley,
We stand in the strength of the Lion of Judah,
We live in health through the Great Physician,
Our needs are met because He is Our Abundance.
We know our path because we follow the Great Shepherd,
We are participants in the Kingdom of God because we found THE Door,
We are righteous because of His Sacrifice,
We have taken hold of true life because He is risen.
His name is Jesus of Nazareth, He is Christ, our Lord & our King.

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Psalms 23:1 (NIV)

¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

John 10:9 (NKJV)

⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.

Revelation 5:12-13 (NIV)

"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" ¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

Psalms 103:2-3 (NIV)

² Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits-- ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

Stanza #4 --- The Church

We believe The Church is His Body.
Our presence on planet earth is ordained by Almighty God.
We are empowered by Spirit of the Living Christ.
The angels are ministering Spirits sent forth on our behalf.
Our reward is sure.
Our inheritance is unfading.
Our treasure is secure ---it will not diminish.
Our role is pivotal.
Our faithfulness is required.
Together we stand, united in heart and purpose to accomplish the purposes of God in our generation.

WE WILL NOT STOP.

Matthew 16:18 (NIV)

I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

Revelation 1:20 (NIV)

²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Matthew 6:20 (NIV)

²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

Hebrews 1:14 (NIV)

¹⁴ Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

Hebrews 11:26 (NIV)

²⁶ He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward.

Hebrews 6:12 (NIV)

¹² We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

Stanza #5 --- The Faithfulness of God

We know not all will go with us; the journey is long, there is a price to pay.

We are aware of an adversary.

We wrestle with the inconsistency of our own hearts.

We weep for the pain and suffering around us.

Our plans are made, our course is charted & our heart is fixed.

The one who promised is Faithful.

The author of our faith is also the completer of our story.

His strength is sufficient.

His wisdom is unassailable.

His presence is permanent.

His joy is our strength.

WE WILL NOT STOP.

Deuteronomy 31:6 (NIV)

⁶ Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Habakkuk 3:19 (NIV)

¹⁹ The Sovereign LORD is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to go on the heights.

Nehemiah 8:10 (NIV)

This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."