

A WORSHIP LEADER'S

Weekly Devotional

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The Pillar and Foundation of Truth in the World

Theme for Synday

Keffections

If I am delayed, you will know how people ought to conduct themselves in God's household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth. * What do I need to repent of this week?

1 Timothy

* What feels too heavy to carry this week?

When thinking about church conduct, I can get caught up in the idea that we are always on a "stage" so to speak. There is always a watching world. Sometimes this feels like a negative connotation because we can easily fall into acting a certain way simply because we are being watched. I turn the example to our kids. We deeply desire our kids to conduct themselves properly. But we want them to WANT to conduct themselves properly. Not because we, their parents, are watching. because they are in love with doing the right thing. The same goes for the church. We will more easily be the church of the living God and the pillar and foundation of the truth when we love participating in righteousness, because we genuinely love righteousness. In doing so, God's heart is on display and if we are in lock step with His heart, it doesn't matter when anyone is watching, our deeds will match our words.

- * Do I love righteousness because God loves righteousness? Is there any other motive for my obedience to Christ?
- * Who can I pray for this week to cross the line of faith?
- * This Sunday, I'm expecting God to...









O LORD OF GRACE,

The world is before me this day, and I am weak and fearful, but I look to thee for strength;

If I venture forth alone I stumble and fall, but on the Beloved's arms I am firm as the eternal hills:

If left to the treachery of my heart, I shall shame thy Name, but if enlightened, guided, upheld by thy Spirit, I shall bring thee glory.

Be thou my arm to support, my strength to stand, my light to see, my feet to run, my shield to protect, my sword to repel, my sun to warm.

To enrich me will not diminish thy fullness;
All thy lovingkindness is in thy Son,
I bring him to thee in the arms of faith,
I urge his saving Name as the One who died for me.
I plead his blood to pay my debts of wrong.

Accept his worthiness for my unworthiness, his sinlessness for my transgressions, his purity for my uncleanness,

his sincerity for my guile, his truth for my deceits, his meekness for my pride, his constancy for my backslidings,

his love for my enmity, his fullness for my emptiness, his faithfulness for my treachery, his obedience for my lawlessness,

his glory for my shame, his devotedness for my waywardness, his holy life for my unchaste ways, his righteousness for my dead works,

his death for my life.

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1. ANOTHER IN THE FIRE

"And I can see the light in the darkness as the darkness bows to Him"

3. CORNERSTONE

"Christ alone"

2. LION AND THE LAMB

"Kings and kingdoms will bow down"

4. THE ONE WHO SAVES

"We have found our peace"

5. RECKLESS LOVE

"Before I took a breath, You were singing over me"

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