

MY FAITH, KING OF KINGS, MADE FOR MORE

Special Topics Unit - Following God's Design: On Guard - May 14, 2017

Text: Philippians 4:6-8, 2 Corinthians 10:1-6, 1 Corinthians 16:13

Intro: Each Christian must take great effort to guard his or her heart. How has that gotten harder in our society today? What advice would you give your grandchildren for handling the times of today? If you were raising children today, would you do parenting different from the way you raised your children, and if so, what? What advice would you give young parents today?

I. Philippians 4:6-8 A Life of Peace; Guarding Our Minds

1. (4:6) The peace of God comes from prayerful T_____ . What does that mean to you?

2. How can these passages help us in receiving the peace of God?

1 Peter 5:7

Eph. 3:20

3. (4:8) Paul tells us to think of these things. Define these terms:

True:

Pure:

Honorable/Noble:

Lovely:

Just/Right:

Commendable/Admirable:

II. 2 Corinthians 10:1-6 The Challenge of Guarding Our Attitudes and Actions

1. Paul addressed the church at Corinth in all H_____ .

2. Our weapons in this war against the flesh are not of the flesh but _____ .

3. What are these weapons capable of?

10:4b

10:5a

10:5b

10:6

* Many believers today do not realize that the church is involved W_____, and those who do not understand the seriousness of the Christian battle do not always know how to F_____ the B_____. They try to use H_____ methods to defeat demonic forces.

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David's sin with Bathsheba is a perfect example of what can happen when we don't guard our attitudes and actions. Read Psa. 51. How did David respond after his sin?

51:1

51:2,7

51:9-10

51:14

III. 1 Corinthians 16:13 We Must Be On Guard Constantly

1. Read Galatians 5. Paul gives us a look at life with the Spirit and walking in the flesh. Briefly describe what Paul said about each.

2. 1 Co.16:13 - What instructions did Paul give about guarding your heart?

3. Proverbs 4:23-27 - What can we learn about guarding our heart from this passage?