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#### **Texts:**

**Daniel II:32** "And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be **strong**, and do exploits."

**Proverbs 28:1** "The wicked flee when no one is pursuing them, But the righteous are **bold** as a lion."

2 Timothy 1:7 "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."

Brethren Fear is the enemy that prevents the diligent from exhibiting strong and bold traits.

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# Knowing whom we are helps us put the right hat on.

Ephesians 4:1 "I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called," ... Paul understood his vocation and put the right hot on In Philippians 3:4-6, Paul also reaffirms whom he is: 4 ··· If anyone else thinks he may have confidence in the flesh, I more so: <sup>5</sup> circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; concerning the law, a Pharisee; <sup>6</sup> concerning zeal, persecuting the church; concerning the righteousness which is in the law, blameless.

KNOWING WHOM HE WAS EMBOLDENED PAUL.

Confident in himself, Paul was bold everywhere he went.

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In 2 Corinthians 10:1-9, Paul declares to the Corinthians Now I, Paul, ... I beg you that when I am present I may not be bold with that confidence by which I intend to be bold against some, who think of us as if we walked according to the flesh. <sup>3</sup> For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. <sup>4</sup> For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, <sup>5</sup> casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, <sup>6</sup> and being ready to punish

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all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled (*that is* when you are diligent yourself.). <sup>7</sup> Do you look at things according to the outward appearance?

**Ephesians 6:13 -** <sup>13</sup> Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

"whom the Lord commends is approved 2Cor: 10:17/18"

#### Brethren, Peter knew whom He was:

**1 Peter 2:9** "9 But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light."

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The Lord expects us to weigh ourselves on the scale and adjust our lives accordingly so we can be compliant.

Proverbs 14: <sup>35</sup>The king's favour is toward a servant who acts wisely, But his anger is toward him who causes shame.

#### **MOSES – was emboldened to confront Pharaoh**

"The LORD said to Moses, "Go to Pharaoh and say to him, 'This is what the LORD, the God of the Hebrews, says: "Let my people go, so that they may worship me." Exodus 9:1

At first Moses was afraid – because at least he flee from Egypt to save his life.

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Brethren, sometimes we are afraid to embark on the journey. God wants us to be encouraged because He never sends us out without supporting us. No matter what we think is holding us back, God will intervene:

In Exodus 6: <sup>30</sup> Moses said to the LORD, "Behold, I am of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh heed me?" (Moses felt he did not belong to the group of people Pharaoh listens to)

Exodus 7: Then the LORD said to Moses, "See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron will be your prophet.

Brethren can you imagine that Moses had been made 'like God to Pharaoh' and he did not realize it!

He could have lost an opportunity.

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<sup>2</sup>You are to say everything I command you, and your brother Aaron is to tell Pharaoh to let the Israelites go out of his country. <sup>3</sup> But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in Egypt, <sup>4</sup> he will not listen to you.

Brethren, even when we are STRONG & BOLD and the situation does not seem to budge, don't worry, it is part of God's plan.

God said: "Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and with mighty acts of judgment I will bring out my divisions, my people the Israelites. <sup>5</sup> And the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring the Israelites out of it."...

<sup>10</sup> So Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and did just as the LORD commanded.

**Exodus 12:** <sup>29</sup> At midnight the LORD struck down all the firstborn in Egypt, from the firstborn of Pharaoh, who sat on the throne, to the firstborn of the prisoner, who was in the dungeon,

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and the firstborn of all the livestock as well. <sup>30</sup> Pharaoh and all his officials and all the Egyptians got up during the night, and there was loud wailing in Egypt, for there was not a house without someone dead. ... Brethren God will go all out to support the diligent.

Exodus 12: 31 During the night Pharaoh summoned Moses and Aaron and said, "Up! Leave my people, you and the Israelites! Go, worship the LORD as you have requested. 32 Take your flocks and herds, as you have said, and go. AND ALSO BLESS ME."

Brethren, it May Tarry But It Must Come To Pass As Planned.

**Habakkuk 2:3** "For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it lingers, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay."

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In conclusion Brethren,

**Ephesians 4:7, highlights that grace for strong and bold** traits is given according to measure of God's gift working in us:

"<sup>7</sup> But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift (in us)."

In allocation His gift, God does not look at how much we already have but how well the little we have is being put into practice: "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much" (Luke 16:10).

So lets go and exhibit STRONG and BOLD traits with the grace that God has given us already. As we use what we have, God will continue to increase our gifts and grace. GOD BLESS YOU!

#### **2017 PRAYER POINTS**

- I. Prayer over the message of today
- "Lord, please extend your love to all nations through prayers offered on this alter (Psalm 117)
   Let our prayers be acceptable unto you.
- 3. Prayer for Leadership of Nations ...
  - a. Be anointed leaders of honour like Cyrus (Isa 45:1, Rm 9:21)
  - b. Give them spirit of humility in leadership and wisdom to lead well
  - c. Any leader that fails to obey God's Word, should be replaced
- 4. Troubles/Wars in nations.
- 5. Leave no room for diseases; cleanse our land
- 6. Missions/Ministries & Missionaries/Ministers
- 7. Marriages, Children & families
- 8. Members of the fellowship grace to be diligent
- 9 Needs in fellowship