

## Stand Firm: A Christian's Response to Troubled Times

It's easy to stand your ground in a breeze, but a hurricane is another matter altogether. We are living in a hurricane world of evil influences, cultural degradation, and Christian apathy. How do we stand firm in God's truth in such times?

1. We recognize the holiness, majesty, and sovereignty of God.

"For behold, He who forms mountains and creates the wind And declares to man what are His thoughts, He who makes dawn into darkness And treads on the high places of the earth, The Lord God of hosts is His name." Amos 4:13

2. We recognize the evil around us.

"Woe to those who call evil good, and good evil; Who substitute darkness for light and light for darkness; Who substitute bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter! Woe to those who are wise in their own eyes And clever in their own sight!" Isaiah 5:20

3. We recognize God's unchanging love for us.

"Who is a God like You, who pardons iniquity And passes over the rebellious act of the remnant of His possession? He does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights in unchanging love." Micah 7:18

4. We recognize our refuge and flee to Him.

"God is our refuge and strength,
A very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change
And though the mountains slip into the heart of the sea." Psalm 46:1-2a

5. We resort to prayer first.

"The end of all things is near; therefore, be of sound judgment and sober spirit for the purpose of prayer."

1 Peter 4:7

6. We rest in God.

"In repentance and rest you will be saved, In quietness and trust is your strength." Isaiah 30:15

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