

HOMECCELL NOTES

HAVING DONE ALL TO STAND (Part 1)

28 FEBRUARY 2021

WELCOME

Welcome all members who are joining the Homecell online.

WORSHIP

Challenge cell members to spend a few minutes in Worship before your ZOOM/Online Homecell starts. This will create the right atmosphere for your time together.

WORD

Eph. 6:10-14 NKJV

“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. [11] Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. [12] For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. [13] Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore....”

- If you don't stand for something, you will fall for anything
- Put on the full armour of God and take a stand for the message of Jesus Christ
- It is in times of peace and persecution that scripture commands us to take a stand
- In times of peace we stand for the Gospel message of salvation through Jesus and share our testimony and call people to build the church
- In times of persecution we stand for the cause of Christ, His Kingdom and His church
- So, in all seasons of Christianity we are expected to stand for something

Q: What is your stand right now when it comes to the safe opening of churches and the call for the increase of numbers in the church?

- To be silent is also an answer
- To stand is not passive but active
- Eph. 6:16 says “and having done all, to stand”. This is an action that we must take
- Right now, the church of Jesus needs Christians to take a stand
- The Greek for stand is Histemi (Verb) to stand
 - Abide, appoint, bring
 - Continue, covenant, establish
 - Hold-up, present, set (up)

The Bible says a stand is taken in two ways – Person and Place

Before Persons:

- We don't take a stand against people

Ask a cell member to read Eph. 6:12

- We take a stand in the presence of or before others for a cause
- We have a responsibility

Ask a cell member to read Acts 26:1-3 TPT

- It is a privilege to suffer for Christ
- Paul shares his testimony of his life before Jesus
- His encounter on the road to Damascus and his powerful conversion

Ask a cell member to read 26:19-31 TPT

- To take a stand is not a casual like on social media
- If we want to take a stand is to speak out about what Jesus has done in your life and why others should experience Him for themselves

Q: When is the last time you took a stand for God's Kingdom and His church and told your world why the church needs to be open.

Stand for Places:

- The church and its place in society and people's lives is under attack and Christians need to take a stand
- We need to take a stand for places where we worship and even where we work
- We have the keys to bind and loose therefore we must take a stand

Ask a cell member to read Acts 18:1-11 NKJV

- Paul took a stand in a place for a place
- We cannot keep quiet any longer

Q: Are you still committed to take stand for the place you worship at?

Ask a cell member to read Luke 19:13-15 and Eph. 6:10-13

Q: Where are you today? Have you taken a stand for Jesus or not?

- If you don't stand for something you will fall for anything

Ask a cell member to read Rev. 3:20 and Matt. 16:16-18

2021 will be a year of God's divine restoration and recovery, but we must do our part and stand...

WORKS

As a Homecell, identify the most pressing needs (among people in your immediate world) that should be addressed a.s.a.p. (include the following: food needs, people who are staying alone, marriage challenges, financial needs, business/career needs, emotional needs etc.) As a Homecell, how can you assist in meeting some of these needs?

