

## ***“Sure-Footed Faith”***

pt. 25 — Philippians 4:1-4

### **To Live is Christ**

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#### INTRODUCTION

- engaged in battle

1 Jn. 2:16-18; Lk. 22:31

“The world is tempting, the flesh is vulnerable, and the devil is lion-like in his aggression.”  
— *John MacArthur*

- therefore, be steadfast and sure-footed

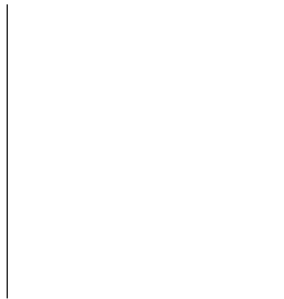
1 Cor. 16:13; Gal. 5:1; 2 Thess. 2:15; Phil. 1:27

- primacy of “standing”

Eph. 6:10-14

#### *1. Stand firm* (4:1)

- “in the Lord”



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#### *2. Stand firm amid personal conflicts* (4:2-3)

- who are these ladies?

- nature of the conflict

3 Jn. 9-10

- God’s expectation for His people

Phil. 2:3; Eph. 4:3; 1 Cor. 1:10; 1 Pet. 3:8

- who is the “true companion”?

#### *3. Stand firm amid difficult circumstances* (4:4)

#### APPLICATION

1. Are you sure-footed in your faith?

Do you anticipate & prepare for spiritual conflict?

“The reason why many fail in battle is because they wait until the hour of battle. The reason why others succeed is because they have gained their victory on their knees long before the battle comes.”  
— *R.A. Torrey*

2. Can you discern between conflicts of truth and those of personal preference? Do you value God’s honor and the good of His church more than your personal preferences?

3. When conflict comes, do you seek to be a peacemaker?

Mt. 5:9