

EDGEMONT BIBLE CHURCH

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“BEING A RESTORED HUMAN”



“NEEDED: HEROES”

2 TIM. 2:3,4; EPH. 6:10-20; 1 COR. 10:3-5; REV. 18

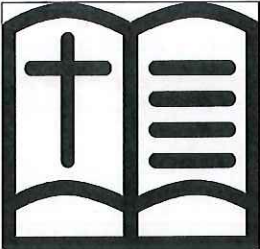
I. BATTLEGROUND, NOT A PLAYGROUND

- A. An ongoing battle for power and control
- B. Waged by spiritual authorities in the heavens
 - 1. through ideas, concepts, falsehoods,
 - 2. lawlessness, rejection of authority, agitations
 - 3. envy, jealousy, hatred, pain, death, suffering
 - 4. the occult, spirituality and god-less education
- C. Conducted by the willing, enraged by Babylon
 - 1. Kings of the earth hungry for wealth, power
 - 2. Conquest, theft, murder and enslavement
 - 3. Greedy profit means wealth for the people too
- D. With a mix of the good and bad
 - 1. God's people are in her - some have mixed with the unholy, impure habits of the whore while others of them are caught in her web like Lot at Sodom
 - 2. God calls them out of her before He destroys her

II. OUR HERITAGE - ORDER FROM CHAOS

Pre-Flood wickedness, idolatry, ethnic interaction, covenant breaking, seduction, nation building, warfare, rebuilding ruins, saving a people

- A. Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Joseph, Moses
- B. Joshua, Gideon, Samson, Ruth, Samuel, Saul
- C. David, Daniel, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther
- D. John the Baptist, Jesus, the women, the apostles,
- E. Martyrs, fathers, reformers, pilgrims, evangelists



III. HERO RECRUITMENT, ENLISTMENT AND DEDICATION

A. A few good men (people) 2 Tim 2:4,5

1. Commitment to the Commander in Chief
2. Commitment to victory over the enemy;
3. Commitment to integrity, loyalty and sacrifice
4. Commitment to endurance of hardships
5. Commitment to being a free slave - cut the entanglements, lose the bondage, lose the anxiety, drop the sorrow, stop borrowing trouble: don't make things your problem that are not; don't be guilty for what you did not do; don't play other's agendas

2 Corinthians 10:3-5

6. Commitment to learning the ways of war; wisdom is the principal thing and with it get understanding - Pro 4:7

Ephesians 6:10-20

7. Commitment to a steady use and preparation of your equipment
8. Commitment to your super power! Filled with the Spirit, Word of God, prayer, love

B. Sign on the line! Stop whining, complaining, grumbling, worrying, groveling! Get in and go

“It is not the critic who counts: not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles or where the doer of deeds could have done better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly, who errs and comes up short again and again, because there is no effort without error or shortcoming, but who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions, who spends himself for a worthy cause; who, at the best, knows, in the end, the triumph of high achievement, and who, at the worst, if he fails, at least he fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who knew neither victory nor defeat.”