

Standing Orders

1. Press On!

2. Hold Tight!

3. Stand Firm!

CONCLUSION: In reviewing this section of Philippians we can summarize it with three short commands: Press On! Hold Tight! and Stand Firm! We are to press on to take hold of Christ as He has taken hold of us. We are to hold tight to mature, biblical thinking and follow the model of godly living. We are to stand firm in our love relationship with Christ and with one another in His family. Let us delight in Jesus who has set His love upon us together.

Colossians 3:1-4

If then *you have been raised with Christ*, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ *When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.*

Ephesians 2:8-10

“For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, *that we should walk in them.*”

First Peter 5:1-4

So I exhort the elders among you, as a fellow elder and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, as well as a partaker in the glory that is going to be revealed: ² shepherd the flock of God that is among you, exercising oversight, not under compulsion, but willingly, as God would have you; not for shameful gain, but eagerly; ³ not domineering over those in your charge, but being examples to the flock. ⁴ And when the chief Shepherd appears, *you will receive the unfading crown of glory.*

Romans 6:1-4

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ² By no means! *How can we who died to sin still live in it?* ³ Do you not know that all of us who have been *baptized into Christ Jesus* were baptized into his death? ⁴ We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, *in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.*

John 11:25-27

²⁵ Jesus said to her, “*I am the resurrection and the life.* Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” ²⁷ She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

Second Corinthians 12:9-10

⁹ But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, *so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.* ¹⁰ For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.