

GOD IS FIRST

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I. GOD IS IN CONTROL

1 Timothy 2:1-8 (NKJV)

¹ Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, ² for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. ³ For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,

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⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, ⁶ who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time...

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8 I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting...

Jude 1:20-21 (NKJV)

²⁰ But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, ²¹ keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

Acts 27:23-25 (NKJV)

23 For there stood by me this night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve, 24 saying, '*Do not be afraid, Paul; you must be brought before Caesar; and indeed God has granted you all those who sail with you.*' 25 *Therefore take heart, men, for I believe God that it will be just as it was told me.*

II. JESUS DIDN'T YIELD TO FEAR
SO WE DON'T EITHER!

PROVERBS 21:1 New Century

The LORD can control a king's mind as he controls a river; he can direct it as he pleases

PROVERBS 22:28

**The kingdom is the Lord's,
and He rules over the
nations**

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- ***Select prayer over despair***

III. DARE TO BELIEVE

Lamentations 3:21-23 (NKJV)

**21 This I recall to my mind,
Therefore I have hope. 22
Through the LORD'S mercies
we are not consumed,
Because His compassions fail
not. 23 *They are* new every
morning; Great *is* Your
faithfulness.**

Lamentations 3:21-23 (MSG)

21 But there's one other thing I remember, and remembering, I keep a grip on hope: 22 GOD's loyal love couldn't have run out, his merciful love couldn't have dried up. 23 They're created new every morning. How great your faithfulness!

2 Corinthians 4:13 (NKJV)

13 And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak...

Luke 19:13 (NKJV)

**KJV: “OCCUPY”—(NKJV)
DO BUSINESS TIL I COME**

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