

OCTOBER 15

**“THE BIBLE NEVER TELLS YOU TO  
BE STRONG IN YOURSELF. IT TELLS  
YOU TO BE STRONG IN CHRIST.”**

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**READ**

*Ephesians 6:10-18*

Life can be tough even for Christians. Some are living in situations with almost immeasurable levels of sorrow, and then we preachers come along and tell them to fight the good fight of faith. What does that mean? What do you do when all fight is gone? I don't have any psychological advice for you, but I have something from the Word of God. The Bible never says get over it or get on with it. It says be strong in the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ. This fight you're in is not about salvation. That fight has already been won, and given to you by Jesus. Your salvation was made sure when Jesus walked out of the tomb on the third day. Now He sits at the right hand of the Father interceding for you. He's calling your name in prayer. You're not fighting for your salvation; you're just living life. Understand that as long as we're in this body and this world, "Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivers him out of them all." Be strong in Him.

**PRAY**

Lord, help me to be strong in Your glorious grace and the power of Your might. I find comfort in knowing that because of Your suffering, You understand mine. Having done all I can do, I stand in the strength of the God of my salvation.

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