

▪ *Series: Contending For The Faith*

Lesson 3: Clothed with Humility [30 June 2019]

➤ **Foundation Scriptures:**

- Jude 3
(verse 3) Dear friends, I've dropped everything to write you about this life of salvation that we have in common. I have to write insisting— begging! —that you fight with everything you have in you for this faith entrusted to us as a gift to guard and cherish. [*Message Bible*]
- 1 Timothy 6:12
- 1 John 5:4 & 5 and 5:1

I. The Main Scriptures and the 3 Phases of Revival from the Holy Spirit

- A. Acts 3:19-21
- B. 1 Peter 5:5-10
- C. Romans 4:17
- D. The Holy Spirit brings Revival in 3 Phases
 - 1. The Breath of the Holy Spirit brings Life
 - 2. The Wind of the Holy Spirit gives direction to that life
 - 3. The Voice of the Holy Spirit controls the natural environment for that life to operate freely

II. First and Main Key to Revival

- A. Acts 3:19-21 — Repentance
 - 1. Repentance = a change of direction
 - a. That change of direction will come from Study & Meditation in God's Word
 - b. Joshua 1:8
 - c. Psalm 1:1-3
 - 2. Turn from living by our Physical Senses and the directions of the World [News, Social Media and Politicians]
 - 3. Three Steps to Revival:
 - a. Prove The Word to Yourself (Romans 12:2)
 - b. Build the Truth of the Word in You
 - c. Commit to Operate the Word of Truth
 - 4. God DOES NOT Revive Our Spirit or Soul through TRIALS
 - a. Trials, Tests & Tribulation are from Satan
 - b. James 1:13-17
 - c. Trials & tests from Satan will NOT prove the Word of God to be True
 - d. Trials & tests are meant to destroy Faith in the Word
- B. How does God perfect or mature the Body of Christ?
 - 1. God's WORD is God's Method for bringing Perfection
 - 2. Ephesians 4:11 - 16
 - 3. 1 Corinthians 3:1 - 3
 - 4. 2 Timothy 2:20 - 26

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continuing II. B - God's way to perfect/mature the Body of Christ

5. 2 Timothy 4:2
 - a. Reprove = admonish, convince
 - b. Rebuke = to help fix direction
 - c. Exhort = comfort, build up

III. Second KEY to Revival: 1 Peter 5:5-10

- A. Humility = Our spiritual undergarments (worn under the Armor)
- B. Verse 5: the clothing of the World = Pride and Arrogance
 1. Political Garments = Attitudes of the Flesh
 2. Manipulating to get YOUR OWN way without regard to others
- C. Verse 5: Humility = morally subject to the Authority of God's Word
- D. Verse 6: Humble = to set yourself according to Rank (Military), to set yourself under another's Authority (in this case, the Authority of God's Word); to Honor God's Word above anything else
 1. It takes a Commitment to the Authority of God's Word
 2. To Honor God is to Honor His Word
- E. Colossians 1:9 = Jesus (The Word of God) MUST have Preeminence - Seat of Honor
- F. Resisting Satan and the World's System
- G. Jude 3: Contending for the Faith = fight, labor, endeavor to accomplish
- H. 1 Peter 5:9
 1. James 1 = Resist without Wavering
 2. Resist (Contend) = fight, labor (to work at), endeavor to accomplish
 3. Stedfast = consistent, firm, solid, set, immovable
- I. 1 Peter 5:10
 1. Suffered = is related to Resist (verse 9) in this case
 2. Resist is related to Contend (Jude 3) = fight, labor, stay patient (consistent)
- J. James 1:3-4