- 11. What almost always comes slowly?
- 12. What is the second command given in verse 13?
- 13. This exhortation is not commanding us to do what?
- 14. The phrase, "the faith" is a reference to what?
- 15. Jude 3 tells us that we are to contend earnestly for what?
- 16. When the Holy Spirit says, "stand fast in the faith," He is saying what?
- 17. We are to hold on strongly to God's truth and fight for it? Do you?
- 18. We are to be gracious with brothers and sisters in Christ who have a different view on non-fundamental, theological issues. Are you?
- 19. What can we NOT do on issues such as: The Exclusive authority of God's inspired word, salvation by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone, the deity of Christ, His sacrificial death, His literal, bodily resurrection, etc.?
- 20. What is the third exhortation found in our text?
- 21. Several times, Paul has rebuked the Corinthian believers for acting like what?
- 22. What are some ways that men act?

23. What phrase in verse 13 tells us what it means to be a man?

- 24. What English word summarizes the two concepts of courage and strength?
- 25. What are some differences in contrast between men and women?
- 26. The most fundamental drive in women is what?
- 27. Women seek security. Men seek what?
- 28. When God says, "Act like men," He is saying "be..." what?
- 29. When Paul says to be strong, he is referring to what?
- 30. What are some ways that Christians are not very strong?
- 31. What a woman longs for in a relationship is the security that comes from a man who is characterized by what?
- 32. From Joshua 1:6-9 we learn that what gives us the biblical kind of courage is first of all confidence in the what?
- 33. What is a second thing we must have confidence in to have biblical courage?
- 34. For us men, if we are going to raise our sons to be strong and courageous men then we are going to have to do what?
- 35. What is the balance that we find in I Corinthians 16 for living the Christian life with watchfulness, alertness, stability, courage, bravery, and strength?

- 36. To be the way God describes here in I Corinthians 16:13-14 takes what?
- 37. If you live your life with watchfulness, alertness, stability, courage, bravery, and strength but don't have love, it is what?
- 38. Do you keep watch over your life?
- 39. Do you take time to evaluate and assess and take inventory of your life to see how you are doing spiritually in your walk with the Lord?
- 40. Are you spiritually alert? Are you standing fast in the faith?
- 41. Are you strong in the Lord and His Word? Are you doing everything with love?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

FOR EXTRA CREDIT 😳

- 1) Read I Corinthians 1:1-16:20 through one time this week.
- 2) Think about the closest and dearest friends you have had throughout your life. What make those close friends mean so much to you?
- 3) What all do you know about Paul's friendships? He had friends. But who were those friends and what characterized them?
- 4) What is involved in loving the body of Christ?

Be Strong Men who Love Selected Scripture

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon **"Be Strong Men who Love."** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. As believers in and followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, we are in a what?
- 2. Our enemy is swift to seize, occupy, and exploit any what?
- 3. Five different times in the New Testament we are commanded to be what?
- 4. To be sober means that we are to be what in our thinking?
- 5. How many commands are there in I Corinthians 16:13-14?
- 6. What is the first command given in verse 13?
- 7. What does that command mean?
- 8. In what way(s) do some Christians not do this first command?
- 9. Do you keep watch over your life?
- 10. Do you take the time to evaluate and assess and take the inventory of your life to see how you are doing spiritually in your walk with the Lord?

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