# I Can...Stand Up For God & Christ

### Why Do I Need To Do This?

- It Is My Responsibility
  - A Disciple, By Definition
  - The Church's Place

1<sup>ST</sup> TIM. 3:15

#### Why Do I Need To Do This?

- Some Situations Demand It
  - When Personally Asked

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1<sup>ST</sup> PETER 3:15
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— When My Life Is On Trial

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ACTS 22:1; 26:2, 8-24
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- I Think It Is Not Necessary
  - "God Doesn't Need My Help"
  - "God's Word Stands On Its Own"



- I Am Not Equipped to Defend
  - Lacking Knowledge of God's Word
  - Not Knowing How to Address Attacks



- I Am Not Personally Convicted
  - My Faith Is Not My Own
  - | Cannot/Will Not Defend What | Do Not Believe



- I Feel Overwhelmed
  - Feeling Vastly Outnumbered
  - Afraid to Stand Alone



- I Am Ashamed
  - Too Concerned With Man's Opinions
  - | Don't Want To Seem 'TOO Religious'

## How Can I Do This?

- I Must Acknowledge The Need
  - God, Christ, & Truth Are Otten Misunderstood ACTS 1:6; GAL. 2:11ff
  - God, Christ, & Truth Are Under Attack

# How Gan I Do This?

- I Must Prepare
  - / Must Know God, Christ, & The Bible
    2<sup>ND</sup> TIMOTHY 2:15
  - | Must know More Than The Bible

ACTS 14:17; ROMANS 1:18-20

# How Gan I Do This?

- I Must Build My Faith
  - -/*Must Have True Faith* ROMANS 10:17; HEBREWS 11:1
  - -/*Must Add To It* EPHESIANS 5:15, 16

# How Gan I Do This?

- I Must Stand With God
  - / Must Know / Will Always Be in the Minority
    MATTHEW 22:14
  - | Must Still Stand With God

MATT. 12:30; ROM. 8:31; PSA. 118:6

# How Can I Do This?

- I Must Never Be Ashamed
  - There Are Eternal Consequences
    LUKE 9:26
  - / Can Be The One To Stand
    PHILIPPIANS 4:13

### "Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong."

1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 16:13