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RESOURCES TO STAYING STEDFAST IN FAITH

(Eph. 4:17-32)

1. THE WORD OF GOD

(Psalm 119:11) "Thy word have I hid in my heart, that I might not sin against thee"
(Psalm 119:105) "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, a light to my pathway"
(Psalm 37:31) "The law of his God is in his heart, none of his steps shall slide"
(1 John 2:1) "these things write I unto you, that ye sin not ..."
(Matthew 4:4, 7, 10)

2. PRAYER

(Matthew 6:13) "deliver us from evil"
(2 Peter 2:9) "The Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptation"
Plaque: "Prayer Changes Things" and "Prayer Changes Me"

3. THOUGHTS OF GOD

Jesus' attitude: (John 4:34) "My meat is to do the will of him that sent me"
(John 5:30) "I seek not mine own will, but the will of him that sent me"
(Gen. 39:9) "how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God?"

4. REVERENT FEAR OF GOD

"Reverent fear" - to be in awe; respect for His position, power, and ability to do.
(Proverbs 3:7) "Be not wise in thine own eyes; fear the Lord, and depart from evil"
(Prov. 16:6; Ecc. 12:13; Heb. 10:31)

5. THE LOVE OF GOD

(2 Cor. 5:11) "Therefore knowing the terror of the Lord, we persuade men ..."
(v14) "For the love of Christ constrains us ..."
"Terror" and "love" are two motivating factors moving us to steadfastness.
(John 15:13) "Greater love has no man than this ..."

6. KNOWING THAT OTHERS CARE ABOUT ME

Others in our life that care: spouse; parents; children; friends; etc.
God: (1 Peter 5:7) "... He cares for you"

7. KEEP GOOD COMPANY: (Ex. 23:2; Neh. 13:26; 1 Cor. 15:33; Amos 3:3)

8. KNOWING WE WILL MEET GOD: (Amos 4:12)