

1) Are you wise enough to know what and where to flee? (v.11)

Has God identified anything that He wants you to flee from in recent days?

Are you pursuing a likeness to God? (Righteousness and Godliness) When was the last time someone “caught you” doing something right? Is there an area of obedience that you feel like you have really grown in lately? How big is the gap between what you know God wants you to do and what you actually do in obedience to God?

Are you pursuing a heart for God? (Faith and Love) Are you having a hard time trusting the plan, purpose and power of God? Why? Is your love for God stronger or weaker today than it was a year ago? Why? How are you demonstrating your love for God through sacrifice?

Are pursuing while waiting on God? (Steadfastness and Gentleness) How well do you “remain under” difficult assignments from God? Have you quit something recently that God was calling you to “remain under?” Who is the most difficult person for you to exercise gentleness with? How often do you find yourself saying the right thing in the wrong way? How is that working for you?

2) Are you strong enough to know who and how to fight? (v.12a)

Are you a fighter? What things are really worth fighting for?

How do you obey God’s call for gentleness and God’s call to fight at the same time?

How are you fighting for the faith in your life, in your family, in your community? Is it agonizing? Why?

3) Are you courageous enough to embrace and declare what’s in your fist? (v.12b-16)

Describe the time when you sensed God was calling you to take hold of eternal life.

Is there a gap in your private embrace of Christ and your public declaration of Christ?

Do you need to make the “good confession” declaring to the world that Jesus is worthy of your allegiance? What is keeping you from that?

The New Testament way of making the “good confession” is through baptism. Have you been baptized on the right side of your salvation? If you have not been baptized on the right side of your salvation, you have not been baptized! If you have not, send an email right now to info@harvestgranger.org to get it scheduled!

Read Matthew 27:11. How much pressure was Jesus under to renounce his testimony? Describe the pressure you face to be silent about your faith in Jesus?

Discuss how a conscious awareness of the following realities of God fuels courage.

- The life-giving presence of God. (v.13)
- The soon appearing of the Son of God (v.14-15a)
- The blessed sovereignty of God. (v.15b)
- The singular immortality of God. (v.16a)

- The indescribable holiness of God. (v.16b)

Additional Scripture

- 2Timothy 2:22d
- 2Timothy 3:16-17
- Philippians 3:12
- Proverbs 15:9
- John 1:18