

*Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NIV)*

## **Go All Out**

**Go all out. Give yourself fully to my work. Don't hesitate. Don't hold back. Move forward with me. Follow me to where I lead you. Do all that I ask of you. Will you do this for me?** Yes Lord, I will go all out to serve you. I will hold nothing in reserve. I will not hold back. I will not hesitate. I will not retreat. I will move forward with you. I know that you will give me the power and strength to do all that you are calling me to do for you. **Yes, I will.** I know that my labor for you will never be in vain. I know that it would be impossible for me to misspend my life in serving you. You will help me to bear an abundance of fruit for your kingdom. You will help me to bring glory to your name. **Yes, I will.** There is no place I would rather go than to where you are leading me. There is nothing I would rather do than all that what you ask of me. **Why are you so willing to wholeheartedly serve me?** I am willing to serve you not because I should or must. I am willing to serve you because I love you with all my heart and mind and soul and strength. Doing anything less than an all out effort or anything else than serving you has no appeal to me. I want to do what you want me to do for you. I want to know you. I want to walk in your ways. **I can see that.**

**What makes you so certain? Why are you so sure that your life will never be misspent serving me? Why will nothing move you? Why will nothing prevent you from going all out to serve me?** I know who you are. I know what you have done for me. **Tell me who I am. Tell me what I have done for you.** You are my Savior and Lord. You lived and died for me. You gave your all for me. **Yes, I did.** I want to give my all for you. I also know my future. **What is your future?** One day I will come to live forever in heaven with you. **That's right.** I also know that you will want me to tell you what I have done with my life. You will want to see the fruit that I have born for your kingdom. You will want to see that I have brought glory to your name. You will want to tell me that I have done well as your good and faithful servant. **Yes, I will.** That is why I am going all out for you now. **That is very good.**

*Lord, thank you for the certainty that one day I will come to live forever in heaven with you. Right now, in this life, I will go all out to serve you. I will not work only for the rewards of this life. I want to bear fruit for your kingdom and bring glory to your name. Amen*

**Guidance** *Stand Firm*

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

NIV 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Be Steadfast*

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

ESV 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Be Strong*

So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless.

NLT 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Be Steadfast*

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

NKJV 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Be Steadfast*

Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

NRSV 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Stand Your Ground*

With all this going for us, my dear, dear friends, stand your ground. And don't hold back. Throw yourselves into the work of the Master, confident that nothing you do for him is a waste of time or effort.

MSG 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Be Firm*

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be firm (steadfast), immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord [always being superior, excelling, doing more than enough in the service of the Lord], knowing and being continually aware that your labor in the Lord is not futile [it is never wasted or to no purpose].

AMP 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Be Strong*

So, my dear brothers, since future victory is sure, be strong and steady, always abounding in the Lord's work, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever wasted as it would be if there were no resurrection.

TLB 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Be Steadfast*

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.

NASB 1 Corinthians 15:58

**Guidance** *Stand Strong*

So my dear brothers and sisters, stand strong. Do not let anything change you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your work in the Lord is never wasted.

NCV 1 Corinthians 15:58

# Stand Firm

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Week \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Guidance** – 1 Corinthians 15:58

**In Context:** *Read 1 Corinthians 15*

**Begin With Prayer:**

***Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.***

**Meditating On God’s Word:** ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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**Considering The Words:** ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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**Praying The Scripture:**

***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Lord, thank you for the certainty that one day I will come to live forever in heaven with you. Right now, in this life, I will go all out to serve you. I will not work only for the rewards of this life. I want to bear fruit for your kingdom and bring glory to your name. Amen

**What It Means:**

***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When have you hesitated to do something when you weren’t sure your efforts would accomplish anything meaningful?

**Why will you never be able to see the full results of all your efforts until you can look back from heaven?**

Why is it foolish to only do work that will bring you rewards in this life?

**How has the certainty of your eternal life in heaven motivated your desire to fully serve the Lord now?**

Why can you be certain that the work that you do for the Lord will never be meaningless or go to waste?

**What work has the Lord given you to do for Him so you can bear fruit for Him and bring glory to His name?**

When will you be rewarded for whatever you do for the Lord in this life?

**Living It Out:**

***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

Go all out in serving the Lord because you know that your work for Him will bear fruit for His kingdom.

**Seeing It Happen:**

***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that the work you do for the Lord in this life will never be meaningless or go to waste.

**Get Ready To Share:**

***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group the work that the Lord has given you to do for Him.

**Close With Prayer:**

***Quiet Yourself Before The Lord***

*Pause And Offer Prayers Of...*

*With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You*

Adoration... \_\_\_\_\_

Thanksgiving... \_\_\_\_\_

Confession... \_\_\_\_\_

Intercession... \_\_\_\_\_

Petition... \_\_\_\_\_

**Journal**

*As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

**What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?**

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**What Prayers Are You Praying Today?**

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**Prayer Of Blessing**

*(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)*

*May you give yourself fully to the work of the Lord because you know that your efforts will never be in vain.*

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**Prayer To Carry**

*(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)*

*Lord, I will give myself fully to your work because I know that my efforts will never be in vain.*

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**What Do You Want To Remember About Today?**

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**A Question To Ask God**

*(What Would You Like To Ask God?)*

*Lord, how can I give myself fully to serving you today?*

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