What Can I Do?

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Introduction

- 1. Ephesians 6:10
- 2. We have noticed what God is able to do. Ephesians 3:20
- 3. There are some things that we can do 2 Corinthians 4:7; 1 Corinthians 3:9
- 4. Let us notice more closely what we can do.

II Discussion

- 1. We are to be strong Ephesians 6:10
 - a. In fighting the battles for truth and right we are to be strong 1 Timothy 6:12
 - b. Paul encouraged the Corinthians to be strong 1 Corinthians 16:13
 - c. God encouraged Joshua to be strong Joshua 1:6,7, 9
 - d. Our decision then is to be strong
- 2. We are to stand Ephesians 6:11, 13, 14, (verse 13 withstand)
 - a. The Corinthians were standing in the Gospel 1 Corinthians 15:1
 - b. Examples of those who have stood for right
 - i. Shadrach (Hananiah), Meshack (Mishael), and Abed-nego (Abed-nego). Daniel 3:16-18 In the fiery furnace
 - ii. Daniel and the lions den Daniel 6:4, 10, 18-24
 - iii. David and Goliath 1 Samuel 17:24, 26,29, 32-37, 40-47
 - iv. Joseph Genesis 39:21; 41:43
- 3. We can pray Ephesians 6:18
 - a. Yet we should be praying 1 Thessalonians 5:17; Romans 12:12; Colossians 4:2
 - b. This is so important that the disciples asked Jesus to teach them the proper way to pray Luke 11:1
 - c. We are to pray as the Spirit directs us today. Ephesians 6:18 (1 Timothy 4:1; 1 Corinthians 14:37; 2 Peter 1:21)
 - d. There are various kinds of prayers
 - i. Intercessionary prayers 1 Timothy 2:1 Praying for others
 - ii. Thanksgiving 1 Thessalonians 5:18
 - iii. Supplication Philippians 4:6 Petitioning God for our various needs
 - iv. For all saints Ephesians 6:18; James 5:16
 - v. That the Gospel may have its free course 2 Thessalonians 3:1: Acts 4:31; 9:29; 14:3; 19:8

III Conclusion

- 1. We can be strong in the Lord and for the Lord, we can also stand for and in the Lord, we can also pray
- 2. We must be in the correct position to do this things, and that is in Christ
- 3. We must obey the Lord to in the correct position to do these things
- 4. Do you need to obey the Lord, do it now

Sources: God's Supremes by Wendell Winkler study of Ephesians, Philippians, Colossians & Philemon; Great Lessons from Ephesians and Colossians by Andrew Connally