

FirstFruits Gathering At Harvest Christian Church

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Psalm 113.5

Who is like the Lord Our God, the One who sits enthroned on high!

Jeremiah 10.6-8, 10-13 The Living Bible

⁶ O Lord, there is no other god like you. For you are great, and your name is full of power. ⁷ Who would not fear you, O King of nations? (And that title belongs to you alone!) Among all the wise men of the earth and in all the kingdoms of the world there isn't anyone like you.

⁸ The wisest of men who worship idols are altogether stupid and foolish

¹⁰ But the Lord is the only true God, the living God, the everlasting King. The whole earth shall tremble at his anger; the world shall hide before his displeasure.

¹¹ Say this to those who worship other gods: Your so-called gods, who have not made the heavens and earth, shall vanish from the earth. ¹² But our God formed the earth by his power and wisdom, and by his intelligence he hung the stars in space and stretched out the heavens. ¹³ It is his voice that echoes in the thunder of the storm clouds. He causes mist to rise upon the earth; he sends the lightning and brings the rain, and from his treasures he brings the wind.

**Now, more than ever we are to have confidence and boldness in OUR GOD.
For we are a corporate body, fitted and joined together with Christ as our Head.
He is our Priest and King, He is our Sacrifice and our Reward!**

Confidence, Definition 1 – noun, The state of feeling certain about the truth of something. A feeling of self assurance arising from one's appreciation of one's own abilities or qualities. Sure of one's self.

This terminology could sounds like:

- I know
- I can
- I am



Revelation 19.7-8

⁷ Let us be glad and rejoice and honor him; for the time has come for the wedding banquet of the Lamb, and his bride has prepared herself. ⁸ She is permitted to wear the cleanest and whitest and finest of linens." (Fine linen represents the good deeds done by the people of God.)

The Lamb's Bride Has Confidence

- Certainty
- Courage
- Determination
- Fearlessness
- Boldness
- Firmness
- Fortitude
- Backbone
- Tenacity
- Moxie (courage)

Confidence, Definition 2 – noun, The feeling or belief that one can rely on someone or something; firm trust.

This terminology sounds like:

- I believe in
- I can count on
- I trust

The Body of Christ Has Confidence

- Assurance
- Conviction
- Reliance
- Faith
- Hope
- Dependence
- Stock
- Reliance
- Trust



Have you ever experienced a moment in your life when you were around another person who just seemed to have it all together, especially in an area where you felt you did not – and that initial moment of admiration turned into the sound of condemnation towards yourself. Shaking your confidence a little? Or a lot?

Or maybe God asked you to step out and do something you are uncomfortable with and you do it but then the temptation to second guess yourself comes.

Or just any time where we experienced uncertainty doubted our position, our skills, our expertise.

God is saying: All uncertainty is in the past. You can no longer operate from the OLD because I have changed your DNA, your operating platform. You have stepped into a new dimension that has launched the body into a NEW CONFIDENCE.

This confidence is supernatural. It comes from the new expansion. Therefore, it is going to be near impossible to NOT WALK in the confidence of your identity. Confidence has been added to your arsenal. Timidity and uncertainty are no longer. The Lion's Roar has been unleashed inside of you. Your feet are swift and sure, your hands are strong and steady. Your mind is quick. Your spirit is sharp and alert.

WALK – DO NOT WALK signs....flashing....WALK....DO NOT WALK....

WALK

1. Boldness
2. Unwavering (in the Word of God)
3. Determination
4. The Cross (Humility)
5. Focus
6. Love, love, love, love, love, love
7. Pioneer up the Mountain

DO NOT WALK

1. Doubt
2. Unbelief
3. Apologizing for identity
4. Pride and the flesh
5. Distraction
6. Fear
7. Adapt

Unto Full Stature – Unto Him as Sons and For Him as Fathers.

- Our sureness comes from knowing our identity and knowing our identity comes from knowing who your Father is and what assignment He gave us.
- When we know our heritage we can move in alignment with it with purpose.
- Part of our terrorizing the enemy is that our confidence is at a whole other level. We are no longer slaves to fear but we are slaves of the FEAR OF THE LORD.
- This confidence creates an atmosphere that can't be denied.

Proverbs 14.26

In the fear of the LORD there is strong **confidence**,
And his children will have refuge.

1 John 4.17 NIV

This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment; In this world we are like Jesus.

- This new confidence sets us apart. People who were familiar with us will no longer be familiar with us now. It's okay. They will adapt.
 - *We* on the other hand will **NOT ADAPT**. We will pioneer ***the new*** all the way up the MOUNTAIN...HA, HA!
- Confidence sets the tone of authority and establishes us wherever we go.
- This confidence is unapologetic. It doesn't backpedal.
- Someone who is confident in the natural moves with smooth motions, they look people in the eye. There is firmness in their handshake.
- True confidence goes hand in hand with true humility

1 John 5.14 NIV

This is the confidence we have in approaching God; that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us.

Jeremiah 17.7 NIV

But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in Him.

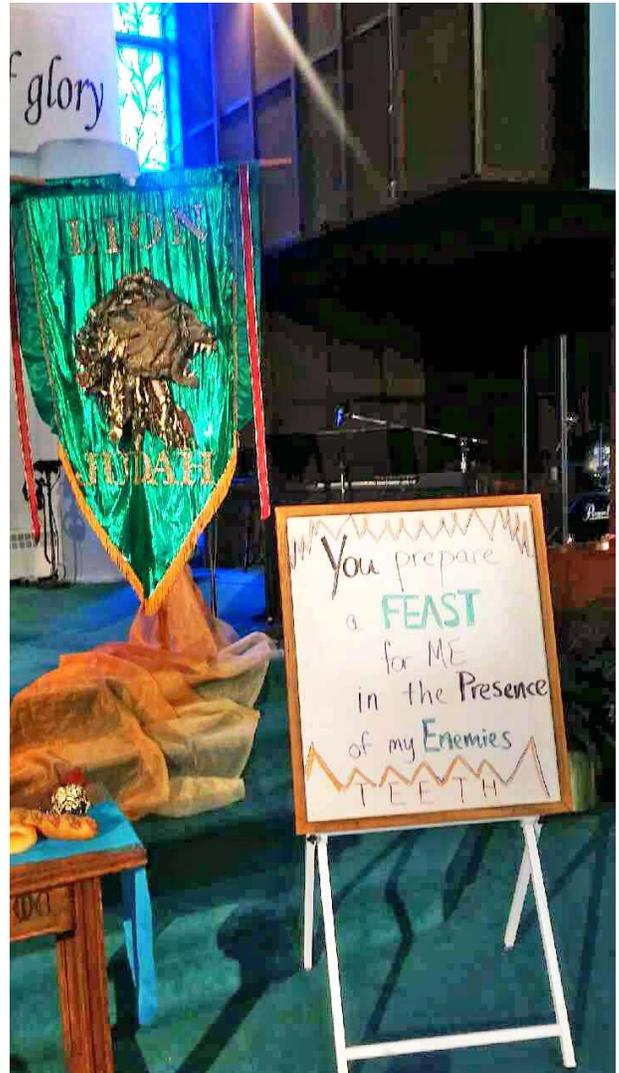
Isaiah 32.16-17 The Living Bible

¹⁶Then justice will rule through all the land, ¹⁷and out of justice, peace. Quietness and confidence will reign forever more.

Nehemiah 6.16

When all our enemies heard about this, all the surrounding nations were afraid and lost their self confidence, because they realized that his work had been done with the help of our God.

- Confidence in the Lord produces intimidation to those who are opposed to the Christ in Us. Those who are not in covenant with Him are operating in false authority and are illegally relating to us.
 - Example: Driving and having the right of way.
- This is not to say we are better than someone else. It means that we are in position and they are not. We are to bring them in.



Psalm 56:3-4 The Living Bible

³⁻⁴ But when I am afraid, I will put my **confidence** in you. Yes, I will trust the promises of God. And since I am trusting him, what can mere man do to me?

- In blessing the Church the Lord demonstrates righteousness to the wicked.

2 Kings 19.29-31 The Living Bible

(to the King of Assyria)

²⁹ And this is the proof that I will do as I have promised: This year my people will eat the volunteer wheat and use it as seed for next year's crop; and in the third year they will have a bountiful harvest.

³⁰ "O my people Judah, those of you who have escaped the ravages of the siege shall become a great nation again; you shall be rooted deeply in the soil and bear fruit for God. ³¹ A remnant of my people shall become strong in Jerusalem. The Lord is eager to cause this to happen.

