

Making a Stand

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Never alone

- Mateship / Comradery
- Move Arm in Arm
- Tall poppies get cut down first!
- Don't get isolated!

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- Prior preparation prevents poor performance.

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- ⁸ Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.
- ¹⁰ And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. ¹¹ To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen.

Know Thy Enemy - Ephesians 6:10-13

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- 15 But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect,

1 Peter 3:15

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Prepare for War

- 3 For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. 4 They will reject the truth and chase after myths.

Defeat the Darkness - Ephesians 6:10-13

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Light Defeats the Darkness

- “For we elves have forgotten that it is not strength that overcomes darkness, but light. Armies will rise, hearts may fail, yet still, light endures, and is mightier than strength. For in its presence darkness must flee.”

Celebrimbor - Rings of Power (Silmarillion by *J.R.R. Tolkien*)

