

LIFE IS HARD ... BUT GOD IS GOOD

A DECLARATION OF DEVOTION

Psalm 101:1-8 Jeff Schreve

Finally, be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of His might. Put on the full armor of God, that you may be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. Ephesians 6:10-11

Will you join King David in a declaration of devotion?

1. Declare your unwavering allegiance to the LORD.

*Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne;
Lovingkindness and truth go before You. Psalm 89:14*

2. Declare your total commitment to a life of integrity.

*I will give heed to the blameless way ... I will walk within my
house in the integrity of my heart. Psalm 101:2*

A. Integrity means you are solid and whole.

B. Integrity means you are consistent in public and private.

3. Declare your complete victory over sin and perversity.

*I will set no worthless thing before my eyes; I hate the work of those who fall away; It shall not fasten its grip on me. A perverse heart shall depart from me;
I will know no evil. Psalm 101:3-4*

A. There is a connection between your eyes and your heart.

"For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, slanders." Matthew 15:19

... knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, that our body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. Romans 6:6-7

B. There is a need to starve the flesh and feed the new man.

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please. Galatians 5:16-17

4. Declare your godly standards for your family and friends.

Whoever secretly slanders his neighbor, him I will destroy; No one who has a haughty look and an arrogant heart will I endure. My eyes will be on the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me. He who walks in a blameless way is the one who will minister to me. He who practices deceit shall not dwell within my house; He who speaks falsehood shall not maintain his position before me. Psalm 101:5-7

A. Your home needs to be a place of truthfulness and honesty.

B. Your friends need to be people of godliness and integrity.

Do not be deceived: "Bad company corrupts good morals."

1 Corinthians 15:33

Victorious Christian living comes to those who get serious!