



Step up and Be Encouraged

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Hey friends, Doug Addison here. *Spirit Connection* podcast. It is March 15th, 2023, and I've got an encouraging word for you called "*Step up and be Encouraged.*" That's the encouraging word.

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So Lord, we thank You for Your goodness. We thank You that You're bringing encouragement right now. And that we are in need of a boost of encouragement. And we ask, Lord, that You would bring this, Your presence, in the name of the true Yeshua.

Well, you know, right now it's a time to be encouraged and pray. The Lord was speaking to me about this. First Thessalonians 5:16–18. Actually, it says, "Rejoice always (Paul says), pray continually, and give thanks in all situations; for this is God's will in Christ Jesus." The Lord is going to bring us into a new time of changes to our situation. He's going to bring a new desire to pray as well. He's going to bring some major keys. It's a

time, really to be encouraged. It's a time to rejoice through the tough times. And right now, He's bringing a greater level of peace.

John 16:33, "Have I not told you? (Jesus said) I told you these things, so that you may know and have peace. In this world you may have troubles. But take heart! I have overcome the world." What a powerful word from Jesus. There are new levels of the greater peace that's now available to us. Actually, right now the Lord is going to speak some things to you. He's going to bring some encouragement. He's going to bring peace to your heart. He's also going to bring some new promises to you and hope. Now, that's a good word. I tell you, we need this right now.

So right now, step up and be strong. Joshua 1:9, "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and be courageous. And do not be afraid. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9). What a powerful word. You know, we're being called right now to step up and be strong, also step up and be encouraged. This is a time right now to not really let the circumstances or situations discourage you. Be strong, be courageous, and we'll get through this. We'll get new strength. It won't be long, really. We're going to see some major breakthroughs start to happen. "You just need to be patient," says the Lord. [laughs] Wow.

Well, we just need to keep moving forward. Philippians 3:13–14, "But one thing I do: Is forgetting what is behind and straining forward to what is ahead, I press on to the goal to win the prize which God has called us [heavenward] in Christ Jesus." The Lord wants us to move forward right now, and we need to just stay steady each—, day by day and then ... and move forward. You know, don't look back. Don't be discouraged and find someone who can help you to stay encouraged if that's what you need. And a big part of that will be to get help if you need to stay encouraged.

You know, there are some things right now that can help you to change for the good. Psalm 30:11–12, "You have turned my mourning into joyful dancing. And you have taken

away my clothes of mourning and clothed me with joy, that I might sing praises to you and not be silent. O Lord my God, I give thanks to you forever!" You know the Lord is calling you right now. He's calling us to change our situations. He's going to turn the dark times into refreshment. The key here is to sing. Don't be discouraged, be encouraged, and step up right now. The Lord is going to change our situations and bring us into this new season of change.

You know, I love—, I've been talking about this Bible verse for a while now, but it's one of my favorites. It's Philippians 1:6, "Be confident of this, that he who began the good work in you will carry it out to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." The Lord is going to change our situations and help carry us into this new season of encouragement. It's time to step up and be encouraged. The Lord is faithful, and He will indeed carry out to completion His promises over us.

We're entering into this new time. We're going to see things start to take place. Now, it's time to be encouraged.

The Lord, He wants you to do some things. Here's what I do. You know, I've been teaching this every week for a while. I want to keep on. Don't let it become wallpaper. Really get this into your life. Get it in your heart.

But here's how you can break through. Find Bible verses that will actually back up what you need. So, find some Bible verses and pray in the Bible verses. It's a promise. Then agree with others. Then go deeper with this by repenting of anything you might have "in common" that would stop the Lord from moving and blessing us. It's important to add worship, fun and joy to this. And also think about this and maybe you want to pray about it later.

Make a list of things, but think about what you need right now, what you need, specifically. And then here's how that you could remove the strongholds, the jam-ups,

the gridlocks and the delays. We're experiencing some of that. We repent, renounce, and we break anything we might have in common, including any kind of generational curses, soul ties or things that we may have done, knowingly or unknowingly, all the way back. We want to come into agreement in prayer, break out of the things that are holding us back, and we got to move forward.

Lord, we forgive right now. We break off the spirit of unforgiveness ...

And we don't have to agree with the person or group that hurt us. But it's a good idea to forgive people. You don't necessarily have to contact them either, but the Lord wants us to forgive.

So Lord, right now, True Lord God, I ask forgiveness if I've done anything to hurt anybody, if I've come into agreement with anything knowingly or unknowingly against this message or that's stopping You from breaking us out from the old season and into the new or blessing us. We ask right now ... I ask forgiveness. And if I've missed anything that, you know, maybe I've misused things (knowingly or unknowingly) ... finances, spiritual gifts, anything at all. I ask, known or unknown, I ask forgiveness.

Lord, we ask that You would flush out the things (seen or unseen) and bring them into the true light of the true Throne of Grace. In the name of the true Yeshua of Nazareth. Amen.

Well, God, we pray for this blessing. We pray that You would open up things over us. Yeah.

All right! Well, you know, this month, March, it's [Doug Addison's Big 64th Birthday Bash](#), and we've got specials going on—March 1st all the way through the end of the month. But right now, you can actually give, donate. We're really in need of a breakthrough,

financially. We need to break out of the old season and into the new. And so, consider going to DougAddison.com/Birthday64 and donating to us. It will go to my ministry, of course.

But anyway, there's also a product offer that we have right now, part of the birthday special. It's called the [*School of the Supernatural*](#), and it's an online course, but it regularly sells for \$297, but you can get it this month for \$57. Oh, my goodness. Or two payments of \$30. And so, just go to DougAddison.com/SOS.

You know, I want to encourage you to stand up and be encouraged, pray through right now and just really consider what God is doing right now and be encouraged.

All right. God bless you.

See you next week!

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