



CIRCLE (Prelude) | A Future with Courage

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Text: 1 Corinthians 10 (p.957)

The _____ when looking at a future that is uncertain and difficult is to forget what God has done and look at our own strengths to face the future.

And when we rely on ourselves, we begin to succumb to _____ and quit living with faith and courage.

**To face the future with courage we must _____
_____ God's faithfulness in the past.**

"They _____ the enemy by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony." **Revelation 12:11**

What is the word of our testimony? It is what God has done – how _____ has been _____.

The journey of faith is one of steps, taking our _____
_____ with Jesus, whatever they might be.

Sometimes those steps, often those steps, stretch and _____ us.

The _____ is to forget (or at least minimize) how we got where we are and face the days to come on our own.

And when we fall prey to _____, fear begins to replace courage, cowardice becomes our norm instead of valor.

To deal with an uncertain and, at times, difficult future, we have to look back, remember the work of God, and _____
_____.