

FIVE GREAT CHRISTIAN DUTIES  
I Cor. 16:13-14

I. Watch Ye.

- A. Give strict attention, stay alert, stay awake.
- B. Military term with overtones of a guard watching.
- C. Watch and be sober. I Thes 5:6
- D. Take heed. Mk 13:33
- E. Watch and pray. Mt 26:41
  - 1. To avoid sin. I Pet 5:8
  - 2. To see the needs of others. Phip 2:4

II. Stand fast in the faith.

- A. Strong and unmovable from true doctrine.
- B. Holding the truth out so all can see. ex. Statue of Liberty.
- C. Not tossed by every doctrine. Eph 4:14
- D. Abounding in God's work. I Cor 15:58
- E. Note Psalms 1:1-3
- F. Stand fast but not still.
  - 1. We must be active and strong.
  - 2. Sometimes we throw logs of complacency on fire of inactivity and sit idly by and warm ourselves.

III. Quit ye like men.

- A. Act like mature adult soldiers for Christ.
- B. Not like children.
- C. Don't give up the fight.
- D. Greeks had an expression for battle: come back carrying your shield in victory or being carried on your shield in death.

IV. Be Strong.

- A. Strength comes from good food - God's word.
- B. Strength comes from training - exercising our talents.
- C. Is a lifelong process and not an overnight accomplishment.

V. Let all things be done with charity.

- A. Paul was writing to Corinth who had a lot of problems.
- B. Had written I Cor 13 to them.
- C. Love must be the motive of all our actions. Phip 2:3