



Message Outline
October 24-25, 2026
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Know What's
At Stake

It often feels like the church has been taking it _____.

To be a CONTENDER means:

C – Called by God.

O – On guard against _____ – Jude 4

John 8:44b - The devil...was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.

*** False teachers and false teaching were a real danger before the Bible was _____.**

*** Spiritual discernment matters because not every voice claiming truth is _____.**

Philosophies that conflict with the Bible:

1. Truth is _____.

** There's a big difference between what is true & what is truth.*

*** Simply because we can make our own _____ doesn't mean that we can determine our own truth.**

2. Follow your _____.

** Our hearts can be sincere and still be wrong.*

Proverbs 4:23 - Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

3. You are your own _____.

** No one has the right to tell me how to live.*

Matthew 28:18 - Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me."

*** And there are so many more such as:**
If it feels good, do it. You deserve to be happy. Tolerance means never telling someone they're wrong.

*** Spiritual _____ doesn't happen suddenly. It happens subtly.**

N – Notice the _____ – Jude 5-16

Galatians 6:7-8 - Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

*** _____ who thinks they're getting away with something aren't getting away with _____.**

Hebrews 4:13 - Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of Him to whom we must give account.

T – Take your _____ – Jude 17-19

*** No one drifts toward holiness. You drift away from it.**

1 Corinthians 10:12 - So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall!

*** Practice spiritual _____ that will keep you anchored in truth.**

- **Daily time with God that includes His Word.**
- **Connect regularly with those who encourage your faith and lovingly challenge your thinking.**

** Learn to interpret your experiences through the _____ rather than interpret the Bible through your experiences.*