I'll Be Your Wingman Anytime!

Steve Brumfield · 1 Thessalonians 5:12–14

INTRODUCTION

- Wingman is a concept that we use in the military long time ago.
- This Air Force pilot, this is what he said mutual support, situational awareness, and individual reliability.
- These are some concepts that we as Christians can learn about being a wingman.

1 Warn Those Who Are Unruly

1 Thessalonians 5:14

- Everybody in here, we're all human and we all make mistakes.
- Who are the unruly that we're talking about? Well, it could be anybody who's going against God.
- Yet do not count him as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.
- So, how are you going to admonish them if you're not having anything to do with them?
- My daughter has a soul. Just like every single person in here has a soul.
- And we have to follow what the scriptures say we need to do.

2 Comfort the Faint Hearted

1 Thessalonians 5:17; 1 Thessalonians 5:11; 1 Thessalonians 4:9–12

- When we say faint hearted, we're meaning feeble minded, we're meaning this dispirited.
- Even though we're still a strong Christian, we just got that faint heartedness because I got a bill in, my car broke down, someone passed away.
- We don't want you guys to get faint hearted. We want you to stay strong.
- We've got to pray for the faint hearted. We've got to pray for ourselves when we are faint hearted.
- Therefore comfort each other and edify one another just as you are also doing.
- We help them as much as we possibly can. We comfort the faint hearted.

3 Uphold the Weak

- When you start thinking about new Christians, that's where I think I might be going with this on this one, that we uphold the weak.
- You have come to need milk and not solid food.
- We started the basic principles, the basic oracles of God to get that Christian good and sound and grounded.
- I had her as my wingman. She was there with me. She kept me grounded.
- We need to watch over them. We need to be their wingman and help them.

- We can keep them involved. We can invite them to studies, and we can visit them whenever we need to.

4 Be Patient With All

1 Timothy 6:11

- Being patient is actually in the Bible all over the place.
- But you, O man of God, flee these things to pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, and gentleness.
- Of all the concepts that God tells us to be is be patient.
- Because we're going to deal with the unruly. We're going to deal with the fainthearted. We're going to deal with the weak.
- That the older men be sober, reverent, temperate, sound in faith, in love, in patience.

THE CHALLENGE

And if you're not helping somebody that's faint-hearted and somebody that's weak, might want to reach into your chest and grab your heart right here.

MY NOTES