Being Strong against Change

2Peter 3:17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

“**seeing ye know these things before**”

to know beforehand, foresee, foreknow (ordain), know (before).

“**beware**”

to watch, be on guard, to preserve, obey, avoid, be ward, keep, observe, save.

“**being led away**”

to take off together, transport with (seduce, passively, yield):--carry (lead) away with, condescend.

“**fall**”

to drop away; be driven out of one's course; to lose, become inefficient, be cast, fail, fall, take none effect.

**“stedfastness”**

Stability—(not changing)—strengthen

Mark 4:24 And he said unto them, **Take heed what ye hear**: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.

Mark 13:23 But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.

Luke 8:18 **Take heed therefore how ye hear:** for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have.

John 13:17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

1Cor. 3:10 According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder, I have laid the foundation, and another buildeth thereon. But let every man **take heed how he buildeth thereupon.**

Malachi 3:6 For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed

Hebrews 6:17 Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath:

1. **Faith in Christ** which has put you in possession of that grace which establishes the heart.

II Peter1:5—diligent faith being added to. Before a blind world and a blind church.

1. Firm and settled principles of truth.

II Peter 2:9—false teachers producing false thinking, leaving powerless lives, denying Lordship.

1. Full grown spiritual and moral strength.

II Peter 3:1,11,14,**17**-18—Denying His coming, His Promises and denying Him.

Proverbs 24:21—*My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: and meddle not with them that are given to change:*

Love that is kind—is a decision of the will

I Cor. 13:1-13; I Pt .1:8,22; 2:17; 3:8,10

God’s Will is revealed in His Word.

1Peter 1:8*—Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:*

Hebrews 10:24*—And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:*

Titus 3:4*—But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared*

Gen. 24:66*—And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.*

Romans 5:5*—And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.*

*67 And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah, and she became his wife; and* ***he loved her****: and Isaac was comforted after his mother's death.*

Love is a relationship based on obedience to principles

Love is an enormous commitment.

Love deals with your faithfulness in every way and every day, in a commitment of completely and constantly dying to self, conquering all pride, lust and selfishness.

Eph 5:2*—And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.*

2Thess. 2:10*—And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.*

*Love for Truth*

*Love for God*

*Love between Christ and His Bride*

*Love between Man and wife*

Love for yourself

Love for others

1Peter 3:8*—Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:*

Love for Children

Love for Parents

Love for brothers and sisters

Love for Relatives

Love for Friends

Love of the world is ungodliness, compromise and worldiness.

Love of money is greed and selfishness

Love of things is covetousness

Love of selfishness is pride

Col. 3:2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.