

Faithful Presence in a Fragmented World

Rejecting the Spirit of Outrage - Part 6



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Discernment Without Outrage

Why Outrage Fails

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The Anatomy of Outrage

Outrage is Addictive

Outrage is Performative

Outrage is Blinding

Outrage Blurs our Witness

Outrage Hijacks Our Emotions

Outrage Divides the Body of Christ

Outrage Distracts Us From the Mission

The Spirit Behind the Noise

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Our Reaction to Outrage is a Witness to a Watching World

The High Cost of Outrage

We Lose our Peace

We Lose Our Witness

We Lose Our Discernment

A Call to Stillness

How to _____ the spirit of outrage

- 1. Practice discernment.*
- 2. Assume good intent until proven otherwise.*
- 3. Cultivate empathy and curiosity.*
- 4. Resist the performative aspect of outrage.*
- 5. Practice forgiveness.*
- 6. Recognize that you will make mistakes.*
- 7. Practice the "Twenty-Minute Rule."*
- 8. Audit your inputs.*
- 9. Prioritize the local over the global.*
- 10. Slow down.*
- 11. Seek understanding.*
- 12. Saturate your mind with Scripture.*
- 13. Pray for those who frustrate you.*
- 14. Practice silence.*
- 15. Choose relationships over arguments.*
- 16. Remember that our battle is not against flesh and blood.*

A Call to _____

Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints. — *Ephesians 6:11–18*

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God. — *Matthew 5:9*

A Call to _____

Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong. Do everything in love. — *1 Corinthians 16:13–14*

Our Spirit

Better a patient man than a warrior, a man who controls his temper than one who takes a city. — *Proverbs 16:32*

A Call to _____

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. — *2 Thessalonians 3:16*