

Embolden

Bold To Live in God's Grace and Power

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Experience “real” emotions without getting _____ in them.

Agree or disagree?

1. I deserve to be treated _____.
2. I'm entitled to be listened to _____.
3. I expect others to deal with me _____.

² He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.”³ Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Luke 10:2-3, NIV

Not everyone is like _____! Jesus warned his disciples that in this world there are _____.

⁵ This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit... Acts 6:5 NIV

⁸ Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people.

⁹ Opposition arose, however, from members of the Synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called)—Jews of Cyrene and Alexandria as well as the provinces of Cilicia and Asia—who began to argue with Stephen.¹⁰ But they could not stand up against the wisdom the Spirit gave him as he spoke. Acts 6:8-10 NIV

A person full of _____, the _____, God's _____ and _____ will always prove to be irresistibly _____.

¹¹ Then they *secretly persuaded* some men to say, “We have heard Stephen speak blasphemous words against Moses and against God.”

¹² So they stirred up the people and the elders and the teachers of the law. They seized Stephen and brought him before the Sanhedrin.¹³ They produced *false witnesses*, who testified, “This fellow never stops speaking against this holy place and against the law.”¹⁴ For we have heard him say that this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place and change the customs Moses handed down to us.” Acts 6:11-14, NIV

³³ “I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.” John 16:33, NIV

The wolves will not treat you _____, will not listen to you _____, and will not deal with you _____.

¹⁵ All who were sitting in the Sanhedrin looked intently at Stephen, and they saw that *his face was like the face of an angel*. Acts 6:15, NIV

³⁹ Whoever finds their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life for my sake will find it. Matthew 10:39, NIV

We're not _____ until we acknowledge _____. Full of God's grace and power, we will never have to acknowledge defeat because Jesus has sealed our _____.

MEMORY VERSE

⁸ Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people. Acts 6:8, NIV

My next step: I will boldly live in God's grace and power, and stand courageously against the wolves.

What's your next step today?

Mark it on your communication card.