

FROM FIGHT TO FLIGHT

Isaiah 40:28 Have you never heard?

Have you never understood?

**The lord is the everlasting God,
the Creator of all the earth.**

He never grows weak or weary.

No one can measure the depths of his understanding.

**Isaiah 40:29 He gives power to the weak
and strength to the powerless.**

**Isaiah 40:30 Even youths will become weak and tired,
and young men will fall in exhaustion.**

Isaiah 40:31 But those who trust in the lord will find new strength.

They will soar high on wings like eagles.

They will run and not grow weary.

They will walk and not faint.

THE VULTURES WE SAW WERE FIGHTING. THEY HAD HUGE WINGS BUT WERE NOT USING THEM TO FLY. AS I OBSERVED THEM I NOTICED A COUPLE THINGS. THEY WERE ALL FIGHTING OVER ONE DEAD ANIMAL. THEN ONE FLEW AWAY AND BEGAN TO SOAR. HE HAD FOUND ANOTHER MEAL!

I AM CONVINCED THAT SOME OF THE FIGHT RESULTS FROM JEALOUSY AND ENVY. IF WE WOULD FIND OUR OWN....

TODAY I WANT TO HELP YOU WIN THE FIGHT SO YOU CAN BEGIN TO TAKE FLIGHT. THERE ARE SOME STEPS YOU WILL HAVE TO BE COURAGEOUS ENOUGH TO TAKE.

FIGHTING

1 Timothy 6:12 Fight the good fight for the true faith. Hold tightly to the eternal life to which God has called you, which you have declared so well before many witnesses.

2 Tim. 4:7.... I have fought a good fight

FOR SOME OF YOU, FIGHTING IS YOUR DEFAULT

FOR SOME OF YOU, FLEEING/FREEZING IS YOUR DEFAULT

SLIDE: THOSE OF YOU WHO NATURALLY FIGHT ARE FIGHTING BATTLES GOD IS NOT INTERESTED IN. THOSE WHO NATURALLY FLEE OR FREEZE ARE LIKELY HIDING FROM A BATTLE YOU NEED TO FIGHT!

FOR BOTH OF YOU THE SOLUTION IS COMMITMENT TO THE PURPOSE OF GOD!

SLIDE: I AM NOT HONEST ENOUGH TO DIAGNOSE MYSELF

SLIDE: YOU ARE MY HONEST FRIEND WHO I LEAN ON FOR SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

THERAPIST, COACH, COUNSELOR.....FRIEND

POWER TO THE WEAK

- 1. WHEN YOU FEEL YOU ARE UNABLE TO CONTINUE HE PROMISES POWER!**
- 2. WHEN YOU FEEL YOU HAVE TO FIGHT WHEN GOD IS SAYING FLIGHT....**

STRENGTH TO THE POWERLESS

HE RENEWS STRENGTH

TRUST IN THE LORD RELEASES US TO:

YOU CANNOT SOAR 24/7 365

- RUN AND NOT BE WEARY**
- WALK AND NOT FAINT**

Galatians 6:7 Don't be misled—you cannot mock the justice of God. You will always harvest what you plant.:8 Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful nature will harvest decay and death from that sinful nature. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit.:9 So let's not get tired of doing what is

good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up.:10 Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith.

- MOUNT UP WITH WINGS AS EAGLES

ATTRIBUTES OF SOARING HIGH...