

# Preparing our Hearts

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## I. Introduction.

- A. Every Word of God proves true. (Proverbs 30:4)
- B. The Navigators are in the business of giving their lives for people. (Isaiah 43:4-7)
- C. Every Word of God proves true—so we should believe Him more.

## II. It is important that one is wholly where he is at.

- A. Whenever you get to a new place, you need to get on your knees and commit yourselves to the Lord so that you are completely there.
- B. Life is about more than arriving at destinations—it is about committing to the Lord wherever one is at.

## III. We come with fears to a conference.

- A. God wants to do something through us since every Word of God proves true.
- B. We have fears of misunderstanding and of being misunderstood.
- C. Our primary need, however, is to love. Because one loves, he tries to understand and be understood.
- D. We must give our fears to the Lord.

## IV. We come with expectations to a conference.

- A. Expectations need to be given to the Lord as well.
- B. Our expectations should come from the Lord.

## V. Conference aims and objectives.

- A. The aim is to further unite hearts on the basis of 1 John 1:7—walking in the light.
- B. The key to success in the ministry is having a clear conscience before God and man. (Acts 24:16)
  - 1. A fundamental basis of Christian fellowship is the cleansing of Christ's atonement. (1 John 1:9)
  - 2. There is freedom in a clear having a clear conscience.
- C. With the fear of the Lord it is only God who is keeping minutes. (Malachi 3:16)

VI. Key theme: fear not for I am with thee.

- A. The battle is not at the headquarters—it is in the world.
- B. Wherever you go, God will be with you.
- C. Only be strong and very courageous. (Joshua 1)
- D. Courage is a sensibility as to the danger involved and a mental willingness to endure.
- E. Success is never final and failure is never fatal. It is courage that counts because God said He is with us.

**Application questions**

1. What does it mean to be “wholly” where one is?

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2. What is the key to success in the ministry?

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3. What is our source of courage? How does this answer present fears in your own life?

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