



## **BE AGGRESSIVE WITH THIS!**

***“The Church Is Like A Hospital. Everyone There Is Sick But Not All Patients Are Responding To Treatment!”***

**Intro:** The believers at Corinth were a mess! Corinth was fertile ground for the Gospel but also *dangerous ground for immature believers*. Paul had to correct them concerning *fellowship* (1:10-11=DIVISIONS), *holiness*, (5:1-5=SEXUAL IMMORALITY & LACK OF CHURCH DISCIPLINE), and *doctrine* (15=THE RESURRECTION). Why the strong, **AGGRESSIVE ADMONITION!?** Because MESS that hinders ***The Mission Of Christ, The Fellowship of Believers and Our Calling As Ambassadors*** **MUST BE DEALT WITH AGGRESSIVELY!**

### **HOW We Need To BE AGGRESSIVE WITH THIS! By Definition**

- 🕒 **AGGRESSIVE**=To be in a state of “combative readiness” [Warfare Ready]
- 🕒 **AGGRESSIVE**=To be “driven” by Holy Ghost “Energy” and “Initiative” [Will Surrendered]
- 🕒 **AGGRESSIVE**=To be “emphatic” [OBVIOUS] in “intent” [Works/Fruit Focused]

### **4 WAYS WE MUST BE AGGRESSIVE WITH THIS!**

1. **BE AGGRESSIVELY** \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 13 “*Watch ye...*”)-Stay awake with the intent to watch.
  - 🕒 Protect *your house* and *The House Of God* by being on constant guard against the enemy (1 Peter 5:8).
2. **BE AGGRESSIVELY** \_\_\_\_\_ In Your \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 13 “*...stand fast in the faith...*”)-Stand Your Ground on *The Truth* no matter the cost!
  - 🕒 Consistent Obedience to Who and what you believe is Living Active Faith (Acts 20:22-24, 21:10-14).
3. **BE AGGRESSIVELY** \_\_\_\_\_ For Your Actions (vs. 13 “*...quit you like men...*” [BE COURAGEOUS; ACT LIKE A MAN OR A RESPONSIBLE ADULT])-Be accountable, correctable and teachable.

- 🕊 Spiritual maturity will counter irresponsibility (Hebrews 5:11-14=*SPIRITUALLY LETHARGIC, LAZY OR INDIFFERENT*)

**4. BE AGGRESSIVELY Active In \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 13 “...be strong.” [*BECOME POWERFUL*])**-Become spiritually stronger *beyond the average or expectation* by putting in *spiritual* work!!!

- 🕊 **Pray** Without ceasing (1 Thessalonians 5:17)
- 🕊 **Read/Study/Meditate** on *His Word* diligently (2 Timothy 2:15)
- 🕊 **Serve The Lord** with gladness (Psalm 100:2)
- 🕊 **Give** As The Lord has prospered you (1 Corinthians 16:2)
- 🕊 **Worship The Lord** in spirit and in truth (John 4:24).

**Conclusion: Do “Your Things” In Love!**