

---

## *If I say this...*

---

*If I say this, what would people think of me?*

*If I do this, am I a bad person?*

*If I mind my own business, will things be easier?*



The more serious we are in our walk with God, the more challenges we face. In my earlier article, [‘Distinguishing Ourselves’](#), I mentioned that some Christians are able to resist the flow of the world and move upstream to their

destinies, advancing in His kingdom while others will grow weary of the fight, no longer pressing on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called in Christ Jesus. I suppose some of you might feel dubious— that whatever I wrote sounds too poetic, too easy than actual practice in reality! Truth to be told, I struggle too. For the past few months, I grew increasingly weary. When the Circuit Breaker came, it was timely. Basically, I spent the entire month of April shying away from people and social media, wrapped in a cocoon of safety. It is only after a period did I emerge from my cocoon and started thinking of how I am to be ready for the world again when the Circuit breaker ends. There is always the possibility that whatever troubled me before the Circuit Breaker will happen again.

I even had a nightmare about similar situations recurring!



I began ploughing through the Bible, looking for something to speak to me. The answer came from an unexpected place – communication from a sister via social media. The honest conversation we had made me

realise that at times, we worry more about what the society thinks of us. We are in certain ministries, jobs or areas in our lives to be living testimonies, seeing possibilities found in life with Him and to fulfil His special calling. Despite being clothed in the full armour of God ([Ephesians 6:10-18](#)), we weaken ourselves with our mind, thoughts and imagination, allowing spiritual strongholds to take root in us. If we are sure God has called us to be in this certain situation, this job, this moment in this time, then continue to have faith. As long as we **walk in the Spirit** and not in our own abilities, **God will fight with us and for us**. We are not perfect, unable to see past every angle or possibility. We can only pray for wisdom, knowledge and understanding ([Proverbs 2:6-7](#)) to handle situations when they appear. Even in our weaknesses, our imperfection, we are made perfect in His strength.

We must be aware that **our words and thoughts are containers of power**. They can carry **power from the Kingdom of God or the kingdom of darkness**. It is our choice to use one of the most powerful weapons to pull down strongholds or to allow it to hold us back. For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. As a person thinks, so they are. Change your thoughts, change your words and God's power will change your life. Claim the inheritance that God prepared for you and the rich blessings He intended for your life. Ask Him to show what resources He has given us — love, joy, peace, strength, endurance, courage, His Word and His Spirit — and tap into them.

When we depend on God's power to work in us and through us, fear and worry lose their sting and obstacles are torn down. Since He has called us to an abundant life, He will provide the resources and wisdom to live it.

I pray that God grant each of us a spirit of wisdom and revelation, that we know Him more and more and fulfil His will for our lives. It is a beautiful calling, with a glorious inheritance, backed up by an amazing power!

*Alicia Wong*