

# Rise Up Men of God



## Lunar New Year 2023

Christians are children of God sent by God as ambassadors for Christ here on this earth.

The Lord Jesus Christ has warned us that "*I [Jesus Christ] send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves; be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves.*" (Matt 10:16)

The Lord Jesus Christ did not send us to be as wolves amongst wolves but as sheep. We are to remain and live as sheep and not become wolves in order to survive in the midst of wolves.

We are sent by our Lord into this world not to be like the world, but to be like Christ.

We must not be carnal minded and worldly in our thinking. We must trust the LORD and not play politics or situational ethics regardless of situation or opposition or government.

We must not allow the dainties of this world to defile our holy garment of salvation and witness for our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

This Lunar New Year, we will be confronted with many people and different situations. We must pray for wisdom and the Holy Spirit's leading as we live for Christ. We ought to be '*wise as serpents, and harmless as doves*', as sheep amongst wolves.

May God's Word be our defence and wisdom in each situation every moment of every day.

## 10 Bible Couplets for the Christian during Lunar New Year

### 1. We are to be a holy witness

*"But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy."*

1 Peter 1:15-16

### 2. We are to be the salt and light of the world

*"Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid."*

Matthew 5:13-14

### 3. We are not to be conformed to this world

*"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."*

Romans 12:2

### 4. We are not to have fellowship with unrighteousness and darkness

*"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"*

2 Corinthians 6:14

### 5. We are to be separate

*"Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you."*

2 Corinthians 6:14

### 6. We are to hold fast that which is good and abstain from all appearance of evil

*"Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. Abstain from all appearance of evil."*

1 Thessalonians 5:21-22

### 7.. We are to be blameless and harmless

*"We are to do all things without murmurings and disputings: that ye [we] may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world."*

Philippians 2:14-15

### 8. We are to do all to the glory of God

*"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."*

1 Corinthians 10:31

## 9. We are to be sober and vigilant

*“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour”*

1 Peter 5:8

## 10. We are not to love family more than Christ

*But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven. Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household. He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.*

Matthew 10:33-38

我们要做圣洁的见证

我们要做世上的盐和光

我们不要效法这个世界

我们不可与不义和黑暗相交

我们要与他们分别

我们要坚守善远离一切邪恶的表象

我们要无可指摘诚实无伪

我们无论做甚麽都要为荣耀神而行

我们要谨守儆醒

我们不可爱家庭过于爱基督