



HOW TO BE ALL IN, WITHOUT CAVING IN!

A battle rages... it's a battle for the souls of millions of people on this earth. It's also a battle against those who want to live ALL IN for the cause of Christ... those who have committed their hearts to Jesus in the midst of a landslide of hatred and rebellion against Him! Have you noticed the hostility toward Christianity in today's culture? Have you felt pressured to move away from your faith and toward teachings that are contrary to the Gospel? Please take a minute to answer the Self-Assessment below:

Self-Assessment:

>Do you work in an environment that is hostile to Christianity?

No	Sort Of			Yes	
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>Do you know someone who was once ALL IN but has "caved-in" on his or her faith?

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Here's The Challenge: How do we "stand for Christ" in a world that hates Him? How do we show His love to those who desperately need Him without compromising our beliefs? Have you ever "reached out" to someone who doesn't know Jesus and found that you were slowly sliding down their path? It can be very challenging at times, but we are called to be "*salt and light*" so we must reach out to those in need (Matthew 5:13). Be encouraged and remember Philippians 4:13 which says, "I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength." Another key point to remember is that your "actions" will make a difference in your ability to lead your friends to Christ. In a sense, your Walk = Talk... and how you choose to live will have major impact on those around you. (Luke 6:46)

Battles **will** come against you, but as 2 Chronicles 20:15 reminds us... "*the battle is not ours, but God's!*" *Being a Christian isn't about being perfect in your own strength.* God is looking for faithful Christians who know His Word, and are willing to stand in the battle, trusting Him to work through them. (Hebrews 4:12) Do you hear His voice? Is God calling you to reach out where you live? Is He calling you to go ALL IN without "caving in"?

Discussion Questions:

- >Name one thing you can do to "make a stand" for the cause of Christ?
- >Have you ever felt the pressure to "cave in"?
- >Does your Walk = Talk?

Challenge Question:

- >Are you prepared to take a biblical stand on social issues, but to lead with love in doing so?