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Motives for Ministry



1 Thess. 2:1, "For you yourselves know, brethren, that our coming to you was not in vain.

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- 1 express oneself freely, speak freely, openly, fearlessly
- 2 When used with the infinitive π. gains the sense *have the courage, venture* 1 Thess. 2:2

παρρησία parrēsia boldness; a state of boldness, courage, confidence

Psa. 27:14, "Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!"

Psa. 31:24, "Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all you who hope in the LORD."

Psa. 27:1, "The LORD is my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear? The LORD is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?"

Psa. 34:4, "I sought the LORD, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears."

Deut. 31:6, "Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the LORD your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you."

Josh. 1:7, "Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go."

אָמֵץ 'āmētz be stout, strong, alert, bold, be solid, hard (KJV, ASV, and RSV translate similarly.)

אָמֵץ chāzaq be(come) strong, strengthen, prevail, harden, be courageous, be sore (meaning be severe) (ASV and RSV similar.)

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πλάνη plane gen fem sing error

Eph. 4:14, "that we should no longer be children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, [craftiness of erroneous method]"

Col. 2:8, "Beware lest anyone cheat you through philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the basic principles of the world, and not according to Christ."

1 John 2:26, "These things I have written to you concerning those who try to deceive you."

2 Tim. 3:13, "But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived."

2 Pet. 2:18, "For when they speak great swelling words of emptiness, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through lewdness, the ones who have actually escaped from those who live in error."