

# Stand Firm in Your Spiritual Purpose



*“Beloved Soul, mark: if thou wilt be a champion in the Saviour Christ against death and hell, and would have the young graft grow, and become a tree in the Kingdom of Christ, you must go on and stand firm in thy first earnest purpose. It is as much as your paternal inheritance is worth, and your body and soul too, whether you become an Angel of God, or a Devil in Hell. If you will be crowned, you must fight; you must overcome in Christ, and not yield to the Devil. Your purpose must stand firm, you must not prefer temporal honor and goods before it. When the spirit of the flesh says, stay a while, it is not convenient yet, then the soul must say, Now is the time for me to go back again to my native country, out of which my father Adam has brought me. No creature*

*shall keep me back. ... I will enter with my whole will and desire into the Rose Garden of my redeemer. And if you should become a fool in the account of men, yet you must obey the firm resolve of the soul.” ~[Jacob Boehme](#)*

## **A Champion in Christ**

In Cosolargy, we would say become a champion of God rather than Christ, but otherwise, what Boehme says applies to us. To be a champion of God, we must put God’s Law above man’s, we must put God’s Plan above those of men. In the materialistic world of today, that is not an easy thing to do, yet there are those who do it.

## **The Young Graft Grows**

The “young graft” that Boehme is talking about is the newly awakened spirit. Once awakened, it must be continuously developed so it can grow in strength and wisdom to become, as Boehme puts it, “a tree in the Kingdom of Christ”. He says that to do this, we must stand firm in our “first earnest purpose.” That purpose is not to fulfill some earthly desire, but our true underlying purpose, which is to return to God.

## **To Be Crowned**

Boehme adds that if we wish to be crowned, we must fight and overcome the temptations of the Devil and the realm of matter. Boehme is here giving us a clue on how to awaken and develop our spiritual faculties, namely, with the light of the sun, especially the Light of the Spiritual Sun. It is not well known, but the wearing of a gold crown began with ancient priests, not kings. The gold crown symbolized the Spiritual

Sun, and wearing it implied that the person was one with the Spiritual Sun. Boehme would know of this as he had his spiritual awakening when the sun reflecting off a metal bowl struck him in the eye.

## **Putting it Off**

Many people say they want to start spiritual development, but the time is not right yet for them to do so. Boehme warns against putting it off, and what he says is even truer today. First, those who find a reason to put it off today are likely to find another reason tomorrow and the next day. Once you start putting it off, it is easy to continue to do so. Secondly, we are all running out of time. Pay attention to what is happening around you. There is no doubt that we are in the End Times and have a limited amount of time left to change ourselves and our world. How long? No one knows exactly. It could be a hundred more years, or it could be two years, so start now. Start and stand firm in your spiritual purpose. Only those who stand strong and firm can succeed.

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