

**AN EXCELLENT CITIZEN**  
**The Christian Patriot**  
**Eph. 6:10-20**

*“For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.” Eph. 6:12*

**1. The church would develop an outward focus**

- a **burden** to take the gospel to the world
- a **vision** to take the gospel to the world
- a **strategy** to take the gospel to the world
- a **determination** to take the gospel to the world

*“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8*

**2. There will be a visible change in activity (vs. 10-11)**

- **prayer** will become a priority
- **scripture** will become our authority

**3. There is an increase in readiness for action (vs. 14-17)**

- a new energy for **discipleship and Christian training**
- a greater understanding of the **spiritual battle**

**4. There is an eagerness for assignment (vs. 11, 13)**

- every Christian has an **assignment to fulfill**
- every Christian has a **stand to make**
- every Christian has **ground to defend**

**5. There is a willingness to make sacrifices (vs. 13)**

- dying to **self** so that Christ can be exalted
- giving of time, talents and treasures for the cause of victory

*“**Righteousness** exalts a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people” Prov. 14:34*