



“Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falls; for he doesn’t have anyone to help him up. Again, if two lie together, then they have heat: but how can one be warm alone? And if one prevails against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.” Ecclesiastes 4:9 – 12

A popular television game show was entitled, “The Weakest Link.” Contestants were called upon to answer various questions in quick succession as they raced to amass more and more money as a team. When a contestant answered incorrectly the entire group then lost money. At the end of the appointed time the players were given an opportunity to vote off the “weakest link”. The weakest link being that player who they felt answered the poorest and hurt their overall chances of gaining the prize money.

This metaphor – the weakest link comes from the picture of a chain that is comprised of link after link of chain. When pressure is applied, eventually the weakest link will break. Maybe this is true in life, especially when dealing with chains, but is it true in the life of a Christian? Of course, each of us has our own individual weaknesses as well as strengths, but the Preacher of Ecclesiastes is not referring to links in a chain but cords of a rope! These cords are intertwined affording one another their strengths for the others’ areas of weakness. The Scriptures teach us that if two of us on earth are in agreement and if we gather in Jesus’ name, He becomes manifestly present with us – He becomes the Third Cord in our rope! (Matthew 18:18 – 20). Now, what pressure exerted on what cord can possibly break it if Jesus is in it? There is none!

Staying hidden in Christ and staying close to His heart affords us great safety and help in the midst of life’s pressures!

“Lord Jesus, I want to walk close to Your heart and Your desires. I believe that I am unbreakable as I abide in You. I am not the weakest link, but rather in You, I am a part of the three-fold cord that is unbreakable! Alleluia!”

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