



**Prayer Focus** by Christianna Schreifels

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There is **a line drawn**

When I was in prayer for this week's prayer focus- I fell asleep unintentionally. I had a brief dream and three times I saw the same thing. We were at a park, and we were engaged in a game of tug-of-war. It was us, God's people on the right side facing the Lord and, on the left, there were our opponents- the antagonists to the Gospel of Jesus.

We were in a park setting, Jesus was right in front of this tug-of-war game; being the judge of who was winning. Even coaching us in what to do to hold our ground. There was yelling and laughter like there would be at a picnic with two opposing teams playing a game of tug-of-war.

Our side was joyful, yet serious as we were rooting for each other- even yelling out each other's names to pull back hard, we were so unified to hold the line. There was laughter and we had sweat coming down our faces from our team. I'll say we were- Team Jesus, The other side, they were just as serious, but there was no joy. They were angry and as they were yelling at their teammates to, "hold their line," to not give in, there was no life. Jesus was right in front of the teams, looking down at the line that He drew before this tug-of-war game began. He was calm and yet very watchful- He was at peace as He watched intently, watching closely. His eyes were on the ribbon that was placed on the thick rope we were pulling on. This ribbon, if it crossed the line that was drawn into the earth below, on this tug-of-war rope determined the outcome.

He knows the outcome- **He drew the line for us which the enemy cannot cross.** Know that any warfare you may be encountering, even the war in God's Beloved Israel- is being watched intently and it is encouraging to know - He will not allow the enemy to cross the winning line because HE is the One who made it. He knew the struggle was going to ensue and He has determined the outcome in our favor.

**Prayer points:**

- The hostages to be found safely and returned to their families in Israel.
- That we remain in God's peace that surpasses all understanding during these turbulent and unstable times
- For the Lord to intervene.
- For us to be about our Father's business in this volatile time.
- Keep our focus.

**Scriptures:****Daniel 2:21-23**

He controls the times and the seasons; he makes and unmakes kings; it is he who gives wisdom and understanding. He reveals things that are deep and secret; he knows what is hidden in darkness, and he himself is surrounded by light.

**Ephesians 6:13**

Therefore, put on the complete armor of God, so that you will be able to [successfully] resist *and* stand your ground in the evil day [of danger], and having done everything [that the crisis demands], to stand firm [in your place, fully prepared, immovable, victorious].

**John 16:21**

A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour has come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.

**Song:**

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