

# Christian bravery...

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**Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go. - Joshua 1:9**



**"We must unite ourselves with our Eucharistic Lord,**  
both inside and outside of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Pope Benedict XVI said, "Kneeling before the Eucharist is a profession of freedom: those who bow to Jesus cannot and must not prostrate themselves before any earthly authority..."

My gloss on Benedict is this: If we stand at the altar of the Lord with incense, we are less likely to offer a pinch of incense on the altar of Caesar - the idol of tyranny. Or the altar of Mammon - the idol of riches. Or the altar of Baal - the idol demanding the blood of children. Or the altar of public opinion - the idol that makes promises it cannot keep.

**Prayer, Penance, Eucharist:** taken together they are the foundation upon which the virtue of a truly Christian bravery can grow.

They will allow us to answer the summons of Sacred Scripture:

"Let the weak say, 'I am a warrior!'" Joel 3:10

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