

THEOLOGY 101

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PREFACE

Think about these questions.

Have you ever seen someone who was sure of going to heaven but had no idea about why one is allowed to be there?

Have you ever wanted to share your faith with a lost person but were afraid to speak because you were not sure just what you have faith in and were afraid that you might be asked to explain what you have no idea about to start with.

You have faith. Right?

What is it that you have faith in?



In this study, let God guide you through the teachings of the Holy Spirit to actually write down what you believe about the basic things of your faith. If you are going to place the eternal security of your soul in the hands of God through faith and are serious about that faith, then you really need to know what it is that you believe. It is not

just faith in anything that comes along that saves you. Faith must be properly directed. When we restudy something that we already know, God gives us a deeper insight into his word and will. He then takes us through the fire of testing so that we might be proven. On the other side of testing, what we believe becomes an unchangeable, unmovable, living foundation of reality in your life.

For this reason, let us look at the basic elements of our faith. Please understand, you may see certain verses of scripture from a different perspective than the one presented here and it not harm your salvation. Believing in Jesus Christ as our

Lord and Saviour is not one of the things that we can change to another and be in the will of God.

Remember, you must first know what you believe before you can share your faith with someone else. Write it down and say this I believe! **IT IS NOT YOURS UNTIL YOU PRACTICE IT!**

When you speak God's words, you are likely in his will. Knowing that Jesus is our SAVIOUR is the first step but it is only the first step. Do you his other words and commandments? You cannot have faith in that you do not know about. The book of Joel relates it this way, "My people perish for lack of knowledge." First you hear (or have knowledge) of Jesus. Then you have faith in him unto salvation. You read the word of God and have the knowledge that every word of God is law energized by his Spirit and infinite power. Having knowledge, believe and see God work a work in your life through his great and mighty power directed toward those who believe in him and the promises of his word. Abraham had faith in God and we saw God work an impossible work in his life. Galatians chapter three tells us that God will do the impossible in our lives if we will believe for we inherit the promise of the descendants of Abraham. I encourage you to stir up your faith in the basic concepts and then expand out to every word



BASIC TRAINING MANUAL

FOR THE BELIEVER
SEARCHING FOR THE POWER OF GOD

WHO IS JESUS?



Who is Jesus that you believe in? He is the Christ the anointed one who came from the father to both be an example to us and to die for our sins that we who believe on him might have everlasting life. It was through his intervention that all things are completely reconciled back to God both on earth and in heaven because he made peace through the sacrifice of his blood on the cross. Jesus Christ is the Messiah who reconciled you to God through the death of his flesh in order to give a pure and holy blood sacrifice to pay the sin debt of all who believe and present the believer pure and holy without fault, sin, or reproach in the presence of almighty God. This he does for you who continue to live in the faith believing in Christ, well founded, settled, and steadfast without doubting or moving away from the hope which comes from the Gospel which you have read and heard preached and is offered without restrictions to every person who believes.

The father has delivered and drawn us to himself out of the control of darkness

and the evil one into the kingdom of his son. In Jesus we have redemption through his blood which means that because of his blood, our sins were forgiven.

Jesus is the exact likeness of the unseen God. He is the firstborn of all creation. John 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

2: The same was in the beginning with God.

3: All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.

It was in Jesus that all things were created. All things include those in heaven and in earth, those that are seen and those not seen, those things physical and those things that are in power structures and authorities. All things exist through him and in him and by him and for him. Nothing exists without him. He existed before all things and in him all things consist or cohere, and are held together. Col 1:12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

13: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

14: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

15: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

16: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

17: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

Christ is also the head of the church. He is the beginning, the first born from among the dead so that he alone might in every respect stand first and be pre-eminent. This is because it has pleased the Father that all divine fullness, perfection, powers and attributes should dwell in him permanently. God purposed that through the intervention of the son that all things should be completely reconciled back to himself. Both on earth and in heaven, God made peace through the blood of the cross of Jesus.

Col. 1:18: And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

19: For it pleased the Father that in him should all fullness dwell;

20: And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

21: And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

22: In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblamable and unreprouvable in his sight:

23: If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven; whereof I Paul am made a minister;

Before your salvation, you were alienated and estranged from the Father and had a Hostile attitude of mind in your wicked activities. But Jesus reconciled you to God by the death of his flesh on the cross to present you holy and faultless and irreproachable in the Father's presence.

Until Jesus, the mystery was hidden in God that the divine purpose was to make of both Jews and Gentiles a whole new thing, the church. That Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God is the rock on which the church or ecclesia (an assembly of called out ones) is founded without separation of Jews and Gentiles but as one in Christ. Separation and withholding of fellowship in the church today when it is made because of financial status, sex, and race is not the good news that Jesus brought to the world from God. We are one in Christ Jesus and believers are given the task of spreading this good news of salvation being available to everyone to the lost and dying world. Col. 1:26: Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints:

27: To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

28: Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:

29: Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

Col. 2:6: As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:

7: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with Thanksgiving.

8: Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

9: For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

10: And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

11: In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

12: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.

13: And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;

14: Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was

contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross;

15: And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Jesus is the name above all names, the son of God, the pure love of God that came and gave himself so that we might have the opportunity to experience his love and salvation. He gave his blood as a blood sacrifice to forgive all our sins of the past, present, and future. This is the atonement that he made for us. He took the handwriting of all ordinances against us and nailed them to the cross and covered them with his blood so that the Father could look at us and see a pure and righteous and holy child that he had adopted into his family to fellowship with. Col. 2:14 Gal. 4:3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

4: But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

5: To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

6: And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

7: Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

“Christ” is the title of Jesus, it is the Greek word equivalent to Messiah in Hebrew. It is anointed for salvation. (John 4:25-26.) “Jesus” was his personal name and meant Jehovah is salvation. “Lord” means Jehovah in the flesh (John 20:28) Jesus is the Word from John 1:1, he is the Son of man from acts 7:56, the son of God from Matthew 26, he created the universe in John 1 and atoned for sin in Romans 3 and restored the fellowship of creation with God the Father in Colossians 2. In fact we find these teachings on Jesus:

WHO IS JESUS?

<u>WHO JESUS IS</u>	<u>SCRIPTURE</u>
Adam	I cor. 15:45
Advocate	I John 2:1
Almighty	Rev. 3:14
Alpha and Omega	Rev.1:8
Amen	Rev. 3:14
Angel	Gen. 48:16
Angel of his presence	Isa. 63:9

Anointed	Psalms 2:2
Apostle	Heb. 3:1
Arm of the Lord	Isa. 51:9-10
Author and finisher of our faith	Heb 12:2
Beginning and end of creation	Rev 3:14, 22:13
Beloved	Eph 1:6
Bishop	I Peter 2:25
Blessed and only Potentate	I Tim.6:15
Branch	Jer. 23:5 Zach.3:8
Bread of Life	John 6:48
Bridegroom	Matt. 9:15
Bright and morning star	Rev. 22:16
Brightness of his father's glory	Heb. 1:3
Captain of the Lord's host	Josh. 5:14
Captain of salvation	Heb. 2:10
Carpenter	Mark 6:3
Chief shepherd	I Pet. 5:4
Chief corner stone	I Pet. 2:6
Chiefest among ten thousand	Song 5:10
Child	Isa. 9:6
Chosen of God	I Pet 2:4
Christ	Matt. 1:16, Luke 9:20
Christ a King	Luke 23:2
Christ Jesus	Acts 19:4, Rom 3:24, 8:1
	Heb. 3:1, I Cor. 1:2&30
Christ Jesus our Lord	I Tim. 1:12, Rom. 8:39
Christ the chosen of God	Luke 23:35
Christ the Lord	Luke 2:11
Christ the power of God	I Cor. 1:24
Christ the wisdom of God	I Cor. 1:24
Christ the son of God	Acts 9:20
Christ the son of the Blessed	Mark 14:61
Commander	Isa. 55:4
Consolation of Israel	Luke 2:25
Cornerstone	Eph. 2:20
Counselor	Isa. 9:6
Covenant of the people	Isa. 42:6
David	Jer. 30:9
Daysman	Job 9:33
Dayspring	Luke 1:78

Day star	II Peter 1:19
Deliver	Rom 11:26
Desire of all nations	Hag 2:7
Door	John 10:7
Elect	Isa. 42:1
Emmanuel	Isa. 7:14
Ensign	Isa. 11:10
Eternal life	I John 5:20
Everlasting Father	Isa. 9:6
Faithful	Rev. 19:11
Faithful witness	Rev. 1:5
Faithful and true witness	Rev. 3:14
Finisher of faith	Heb. 12:2
First and last	Rev. 1:17, 2:8, 22:13
First begotten	Heb. 1:6
First begotten of the dead	Rev. 1:5
Firstborn	Psalms 89:27
Foundation	Isa. 28:16
Fountain	Zech. 13:1
Forerunner	Heb. 6:20
Friend of sinners	Matt. 11:19
Gift of God	John 4:10
Glory of Israel	Luke 2:32
God	John 1:1
God blessed forever	Rom. 9:5
God manifest in the flesh	I Tim 3:16
God of Israel, the Saviour	Isa. 45:15
God's dear son	Col. 1:13
God with us	Matt 1:23
Good master	Matt. 19:16
Governor	Matt. 2:6
Great shepherd	Heb. 13:20
Head of the Church	Eph. 5:23
Heir of all things	Heb. 1:2
High priest	Heb. 4:14
Head of every man	I Cor. 11:3
Head of the church	Col. 1:18
Holy one	Psa. 16:10
Holy one of God	Mark 1:24
Holy one of Israel	Isa. 41:14

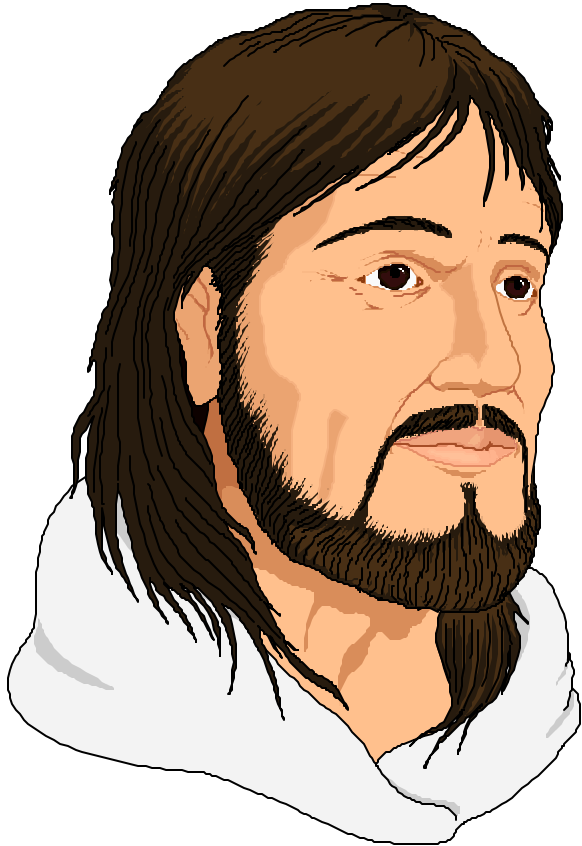
Hope	I Tim. 1:1
Horn of Salvation	Luke 1:69
I Am	John 8:58
Image of God	Heb. 1:3
Jehovah	Isa. 40:3
Jesus	Matt. 1:21
Jesus Christ	Matt.1:1, Rom. 1:1&3
Jesus Christ our Lord	Rom. 1:3
Jesus Christ our Saviour	Tit. 3:6
Jesus of Nazareth	Mark 1:24
Jesus son of God	Heb. 4:14
Just	Matt. 27:19-24, Acts 3:14
King of Kings	I Tim. 6:15, Rev. 17:14
King of Glory	Psa. 24:7-10
King of Zion	Matt 21:5
King over all the earth	Zech. 14:9
Lamb	Rev. 5:6-8, 7:9-10&17
Lamb of God	John 1:29
Lawgiver	Isa. 33:22
Life	John 14:6
Light	John 1:9, 8:12, Isa. 60:20, 42:6
Living bread	John 6:51
Living stone	I Pet. 2:4
Lion of the tribe of Judah	Rev. 5:5
Lord	Rom. 1:3
Lord of Lords	Rev. 17:14, 19:16
Lord of all	Acts 10:36
Lord our righteousness	Jer. 23:6
Lord God almighty	Rev. 15:3
Lord and saviour	II Peter 1:11, 3:18
Lord Christ	Col. 3:24
Lord Jesus	Col. 3:17. Acts 7:59
Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour	Tit. 1:4
Lord of Glory	James 2:1
Lord of Hosts	Isa. 44:6
Lord of the Sabbath	Mark 2:28
Lord over all	Rom. 10:12
Lord your redeemer	Isa. 43:14
Man Christ Jesus	I Tim. 2:5
Man of sorrows	Isa. 53:3

Master	Matt. 23:8
Mediator	I Tim. 2:5
Messenger of the covenant	Mal. 3:1
Messiah	John 1:41
Mighty God	Isa. 9:6
Mighty one of Israel	Isa. 49:26
Minister of the sanctuary	Heb 8:2
Morning Star	Rev. 22:16
Offspring of David	Rev. 22:16
Only begotten	John 1:14&18
Passover	I Cor. 1:24
Potentate	I Tim. 6:15
Physician	Matt. 9:12
Precious corner stone	Isa.28:16
Priest	Heb. 7:17
Prince	Acts 3:15, 5:31
Prince of peace	Isa. 9:6
Prophet	Deut. 18:15, Matt. 21:11
Rabbi	John 1:49
Ransom	I Tim. 2:6
Redeemer	Isa. 59:20
Resurrection and life	John 11:25
Righteousness	I Cor. 1:30
Rock	I Cor. 10:4
Righteous judge	II Tim. 4:8
Root of David	Rev. 5:5
Rose of Sharon	Song 2:1
Salvation	Luke 2:30
Sanctification	I Cor. 1:30
Sanctuary	Isa. 8:14
Saviour	Luke 2:11, Tit. 2:13, II Peter 1:1
Saviour of the world	I John 4:14
Shepherd	Mark 14:27, I Peter 2:25, 5:4
Teacher	John 3:2
True God	I John 5:20
True Vine	John 15:1
Truth	John 14:6
Unspeakable gift	II Cor. 9:15
Vine	John 15:1
Way	John 14:6

Wisdom of God
Witness
Word
Word of Life

I Cor. 1:24
Isa. 55:4, Rev. 1:5
John 1:1, Rev. 19:13
I John 1:1

God drew us to him and we accepted Christ by the gift of faith which comes



from God, then he adopted us into his family to be sons and daughters and co-heirs of the kingdom with the firstborn Jesus Christ. All this he has done because he loved us even to the point of giving his son as a ransom for us. Our salvation is by the grace of God and there is no person who is good enough to earn or deserve or demand salvation from God. The works that we do are because we love him and want to serve and please him and are so excited about his love for us that we cannot sit by and do nothing when the world around us is hurting and troubled and going to Hell.

Rom. 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

17: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also

glorified together.

18: For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

After he gave his blood, he spoiled principalities and powers and overcame the evil one. Satan is already beaten and defeated, he is now working on his last evil before Jesus returns to earth but the victory is already won. Jesus won. Then, after that he went into the presence of God in the Holy of Holies not made by physical hands where he intercedes on our behalf before almighty God. There is no other mediator between God and man but Jesus Christ (ITim. 2:5). By his blood, we no longer must rely on a priest to once a year to offer sacrifice for our sins, but we are forgiven and clean and able to enter into the presence of God by the blood of Jesus Christ.

You have freedom in Jesus, do not let men put you in bondage by making rules

that are of this world and not of God. You know the truth of what Jesus has done for us so if you do not add or take away from the truth, you can live in freedom. Col. 2:16 Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the Sabbath days:

17: Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ.

18: Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

19: And not holding the Head, from which all the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God.

20: Wherefore if ye be dead with Christ from the rudiments of the world, why, as though living in the world, are ye subject to ordinances,

21: (Touch not; taste not; handle not;

22: Which all are to perish with the using;) after the commandments and doctrines of men?

When someone gives oppressive rules on what to touch or taste or handle and what not to touch, taste, or handle according to man's doctrines, flee from that person. Keep your mind on Christ and the things above and not the lower things of this world. Direct your desires to the things of God, not the things of earth.

I John 3:1 Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

2: Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

3: And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

4: Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

5: And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.

6: Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.

7: Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.

8: He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

9: Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

10: In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother.

11: For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.

Forget what the circumstances look like. Fix your eyes on the things of Heaven and look to the one who created all things and certainly he can handle your circumstances and problems. If we look toward Godly things and try to, with the help of the Holy Spirit, do as we see Jesus doing and put away the evil of this world, then we shall know the peace that Jesus the Christ brings to the life of his followers who are called by his name and walk as he walked



WHO AM I IN JESUS?

THE BIBLE TELLS US THAT --IN JESUS:

Jn:1:4: In him was life; and the life was the light of men.

Jn:3:15: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

Jn:3:16: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Jn:4:14: But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into

everlasting life.

Jn:5:26: For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

Jn:6:56: He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.

Jn:6:61: When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, Doth this offend you?

Jn:7:5: For neither did his brethren believe in him.

Jn:7:18: He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.

Jn:8:44: Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

Jn:9:3: Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.

Jn:11:10: But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.

Jn:15:5: I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

Acts:10:43: To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

Acts:17:28: For **in him we live, and move, and have our being**; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

Rom:10:14: How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

Rom:15:12: And again, Esaias saith, There shall be a root of Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles; in him shall the Gentiles trust.

1Cor:2:11: For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

1Cor:8:6: But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.

2Cor:1:20: For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

2Cor:5:21: For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

2Cor:13:4: For though he was crucified through weakness, yet he liveth by the power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we shall live with him by the power of God toward you.

Gal:6:4: But let every man prove his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

Eph:1:4: According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

Eph:1:9: Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

Eph:1:10: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

Eph:2:15: Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

Phil:3:9: And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

Col:2:6: As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:

Col:2:7: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with Thanksgiving.

Col:2:9: For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.

Col:2:10: And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

2Thes:1:12: That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Heb:2:13: And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me.

Heb:10:38: Now **the just shall live by faith:** but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

1Jn:2:4: He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.

1Jn:2:5: But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.

1Jn:2:6: He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

1Jn:2:8: Again, a new commandment I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: because the darkness is past, and the true light now shineth.

1Jn:2:10: He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

1Jn:2:15: Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

1Jn:2:27: But **the anointing which ye have received** of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

1Jn:2:28: And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

1Jn:3:3: And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

1Jn:3:5: And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.

1Jn:3:6: Whosoever abideth in him sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.

1Jn:3:9: Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.

1Jn:3:15: Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him.

1Jn:3:17: But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

1Jn:3:24: And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

1Jn:4:13: Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

1Jn:4:15: Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

1Jn:4:16: And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

1Jn:5:10: He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

1Jn:5:14: And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

1Jn:5:20: And we know that the Son of God is come, and hath given us an understanding, that we may know him that is true, and we are in him that is true, even in his Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God, and eternal life.

*******IN JESUS WE ARE JUSTIFIED:**

Rom:3:26: To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

Gal:2:16: Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Gal:5:6: For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor

uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.

Eph:4:21: If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

22: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

23: And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

24: And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

25: Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.

26: Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

27: Neither give place to the devil.

28: Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

29: Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

30: And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

31: Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

32: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

1Thes:4:14: For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

Jude:1:1: Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

Mt:12:37: For by thy **words** thou shalt be justified, and by thy **words** thou shalt be condemned.

Lk:18:14: I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.

Acts:13:39: And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

Rom:2:13: (For not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified.

Rom:3:4: God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.

Rom:3:20: Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

Rom:3:24: Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Rom:3:28: Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law.

Rom:4:2: For if Abraham were justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but not before God.

Rom:5:1: Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Rom:5:9: Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Rom:8:30: Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

1Cor:4:4: For I know nothing by myself; yet am I not hereby justified: but he that judgeth me is the Lord.

1Cor:6:11: And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

Gal:2:16: Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Gal:2:17: But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

Gal:3:11: But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.

Gal:3:24: Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

Gal:5:4: Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace.

1Tm:3:16: And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

Ti:3:7: That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Jms:2:21: Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?

Jms:2:24: Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

Jms:2:25: Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?

*****WE ARE MADE KINGS AND PRIESTS IN JESUS:

Rv:1:6: And **hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father**; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

Rv:5:10: And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

*****IN JESUS:

Mt:18:19: Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

Mt:23:11: But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant.

Lk:11:5: And he said unto them, Which of you shall have a friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

Lk:14:5: And answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the Sabbath day?

Lk:21:16: And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.

Gal:5:10: I have confidence in you through the Lord, that ye will be none otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

*****IN JESUS WE ARE THE BRANCHES AND HE IS THE VINE:

Jn:15:2: Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.

Jn:15:4: Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

Jn:15:5: I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

Jn:15:6: If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.

Rom:11:16: For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: and if the root be holy, so are the branches.

Rom:11:17: And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, wert grafted in among them, and with them partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;

Rom:11:18: Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.

Rom:11:19: Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.

Rom:11:21: For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.

Rom:11:24: For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and wert

grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?

*****SAVED IN JESUS:

Rom:5:9: Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Rom:5:10: For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Rom:8:24: For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

Rom:10:1: Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved.

Rom:10:9: That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

Rom:10:13: For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Rom:11:26: And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Zion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

1Cor:1:18: For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

1Cor:3:15: If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

1Cor:10:33: Even as I please all men in all things, not seeking mine own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved.

1Cor:15:2: By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.

2Cor:2:15: For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ, in them that are saved, and in them that perish:

Eph:2:5: Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

Eph:2:8: For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

1Thes:2:16: Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins always: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.

2Thes:2:10: And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

1Tm:2:4: Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

1Tm:2:15: Notwithstanding she shall be saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

2Tm:1:9: Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our

works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,

Ti:3:5: Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

1Pt:4:18: And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?

Jude:1:5: I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.

Rv:21:24: And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

*****POWER IN THE NAME OF JESUS:

Acts:1:14: These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.

Acts:2:38: Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts:3:6: Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk.

Acts:4:10: Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole.

Acts:16:18: And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.

Rom:1:6: Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:

Rom:3:22: Even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference:

Rom:15:16: That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

Rom:16:25: Now to him that is of power to stablish you according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began,

2Cor:4:6: For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2Cor:4:10: Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

2Cor:4:11: For we which live are always delivered unto death for Jesus' sake, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh.

Gal:1:12: For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

Gal:2:16: Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Gal:3:22: But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

Eph:1:1: Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:

Phil:1:6: Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:

Phil:1:8: For God is my record, how greatly I long after you all in the bowels of Jesus Christ.

Phil:1:19: For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

Phil:2:10: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

Col:1:1: Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timotheus our brother,

1Tm:1:1: Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, which is our hope;

1Tm:4:6: If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

2Tm:1:1: Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus,

2Tm:2:3: Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

Heb:10:10: By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Heb:10:19: Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

1Pt:1:2: Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

1Pt:1:3: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

1Pt:1:7: That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

1Pt:1:13: Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

1Pt:3:21: The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ:

2Pt:1:1: Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:

2Pt:1:2: Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

1Jn:1:7: But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Jude:1:1: Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

Rv:1:1: The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

Rv:1:2: Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.

Rv:14:12: Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

*****REDEEMED IN JESUS:

Gal:3:13: Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

1Pt:1:18: Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;

Rv:5:9: And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

Rv:14:3: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

*****THE ELECT IN JESUS:

Rom:8:33: Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

Rom:9:11: (For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)

Rom:11:5: Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

Rom:11:7: What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded

Rom:11:28: As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes.

Col:3:12: Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

1Thes:1:4: Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God.

1Tm:5:21: I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.

2Tm:2:10: Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

Ti:1:1: Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;

1Pt:1:2: Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

1Pt:2:6: Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

*****BLESSED IN JESUS:

Rom:4:7: Saying, Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered.

Rom:4:8: Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.

Rom:4:9: Cometh this blessedness then upon the circumcision only, or upon the uncircumcision also? for we say that faith was reckoned to Abraham for righteousness.

Rom:9:5: Whose are the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

2Cor:1:3: Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

2Cor:11:31: The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for

evermore, knoweth that I lie not.

Gal:3:8: And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.

Gal:3:9: So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

Gal:4:15: Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? for I bear you record, that, if it had been possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.

Eph:1:3: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

1Tm:1:11: According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust.

1Tm:6:15: Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

Ti:2:13: Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;

*****A COVENANT WITH GOD--IN JESUS:

Rom:11:27: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

Gal:3:15: Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.

Gal:3:17: And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.

Gal:4:24: Which things are an allegory: for these are the two covenants; the one from the mount Sinai, which gendereth to bondage, which is Agar.

Eph:2:12: That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

Heb:8:6: But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.

Heb:8:7: For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

Heb:8:8: For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

Heb:8:9: Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

Heb:8:10: For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts:

and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

Heb:8:13: In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Heb:9:1: Then verily the first covenant had also ordinances of divine service, and a worldly sanctuary.

Heb:9:4: Which had the golden censer, and the ark of the covenant overlaid round about with gold, wherein was the golden pot that had manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant;

Heb:10:16: This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;

*****HEIRS OF GOD -- IN JESUS:

Rom:4:14: For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect:

Rom:8:17: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

Gal:3:29: And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Eph:3:6: That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

2Tm:3:9: But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.

Ti:3:7: That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Heb:1:14: Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

Heb:6:17: Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath:

*****IN JESUS--GLORIFIED:

Rom:1:21: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

Rom:8:17: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

Rom:8:30: Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

Gal:1:24: And they glorified God in me.

2Thes:1:10: When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

2Thes:1:12: That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2Thes:3:1: Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you:

*****SANCTIFIED IN JESUS:

Rom:15:16: That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles, ministering the gospel of God, that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

1Cor:1:2: Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:

1Cor:6:11: And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

1Cor:7:14: For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy.

1Tm:4:5: For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

2Tm:2:21: If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

Heb:2:11: For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified are all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,

Heb:10:10: By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Heb:10:14: For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

Heb:10:29: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?

Jude:1:1: Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

*****ALL CAN COME TO GOD-- IN JESUS:

Rom:2:11: For there is no respect of persons with God.

Rom:8:14: For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

Rom:8:19: For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

1Cor:4:14: I write not these things to shame you, but as my beloved sons I warn you.

2Cor:6:18: And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

Gal:4:5: To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

Gal:4:6: And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

Phil:2:15: That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

Col:3:25: But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

Heb:2:10: For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Heb:12:7: If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?

Heb:12:8: But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.

Jms:2:1: My brethren, have not the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory, with respect of persons.

Jms:2:9: But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transgressors.

1Jn:3:1: Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.

1Jn:3:2: Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

Jude:1:16: These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

*******IN JESUS THE WORDS OF YOUR MOUTH:**

Mt:7:2: For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.

Mt:7:7: Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:

Mt:7:8: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Mt:10:19: But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak:

for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.

Mt:18:18: Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Mt:18:19: Again I say unto you, That if **two of you shall agree** on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.

Mt:21:21: Jesus answered and said unto them, Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this **mountain**, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done.

Mk:4:24: And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.

Mk:11:23: For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

Lk:11:9: And I say unto you, **Ask**, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you.

Lk:11:10: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Lk:12:22: And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on.

Lk:12:27: Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Lk:12:37: Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.

Lk:17:6: And the Lord said, If ye had faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye might say unto this sycamine tree, Be thou plucked up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea; and it should obey you.

Mk:11:24: Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

Lk:6:38: Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

Jn:15:7: If ye **abide in me, and my words abide in you**, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

1Cor:3:13: Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

Jms:1:5: If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.

Jn:14:14: If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

Mt:7:8: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

Mt:21:22: And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

Mk:11:24: Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

Jn:1:12: But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

Jn:1:16: And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace.

Acts:1:8: But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

1Pt:4:10: As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

1Jn:2:27: But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

CHURCH ORDINANCES



Baptism is a spiritual circumcision not made with hands. Col. 2:11. You buried your old self with all of the fleshly desires and attitudes and Jesus raised you up to a new life through faith in God. Your carnal nature is dead so that you can be raised to a new life forgiven of all transgressions and sin. Col. 3:2 tells us to set our minds on the things of God not on the things of this earth because your new and real life is in Christ. Kill all evil desires and thoughts and put them away and instead let your obedience clothe you so that you appear as who you really are, God's chosen one, purified and holy and well loved by God himself. Be gentle, patient,

tenderhearted, and loving while letting the words of the Bible have a home in your heart. Whatever you do, do it in the name of Jesus.

The Lord's Supper:

Mark 14:22 And as they did eat, Jesus took bread, and blessed, and brake it, and gave to them, and said, Take, eat: this is my body.

23: And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them: and they all drank of it.

24: And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

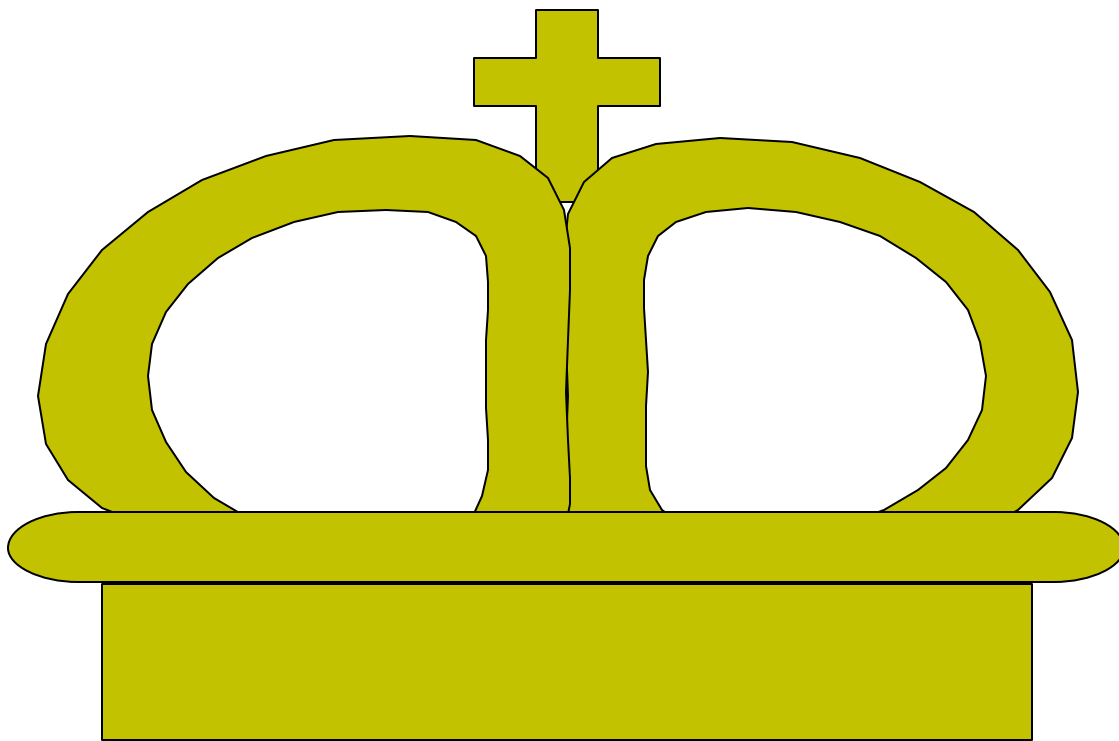
Jesus gave his body to die on the cross and his blood to be spilled as a sacrifice to pay the sin debt for you and me. Knowing what he was about to do for man, he led the followers to share in this observance to remember that the price of our salvation was paid in full by Jesus on the cross. That was the atonement! When we take of the bread, we symbolically take this body of Christ into our selves. We internalize Jesus which changes us from within. We take his blood into our body and it totally eliminated all sin so that we can enter the Holy of Holies and again man has fellowship with the Father and can walk with him as Adam walked with him in the garden. We want to remember what Jesus did for us on the cross so that we hang our old man on the cross daily and rise up pure and holy in the eyes of almighty God a new person born again by the grace of God with a sinless past record which is a pardon bought with the blood of Jesus but a free gift to all who will believe.



John chapter 13 tells of Jesus washing the disciples' feet. That is not often done in churches today or an ordinance. One of the reasons this is not popular is that it would require humility beyond that possessed by most church members. Pride would not allow many church leaders to participate. Note that it was not below Jesus to do this to the people that he ministered to. In verse 15 Jesus says "I have given you an example that you should do as I have done for you." I do not tell you to change your church, I just point out that no other ordinance has any stronger statement to continue to do this. It would be such a glorious service that the leaders of the church wash the feet of the people that they minister to. In doing so it reminds us that Jesus forgave and cleansed us from all our sins and he gave himself so that others might have life. But as we walk in this world, we get our feet dirty, and cannot have communion with a pure and holy God but if we will confess our sins before him, he can cleanse them daily so that we can have constant fellowship with him and as I John 2:6 directs us, we can walk as He (Jesus) walked. Our God is such a loving God that he does not consider it a lowly task to bend

over and clean his children's feet when they need it. Oh that we could remember that Jesus showed us that the way to greatness in the kingdom of God is to be the greatest servant.

WHO ARE WE IN CHRIST?



We believe or faith Jesus, then who are we in Christ? He adopts us into his family. Then what do we want to do? Just as baptism is a symbol that we die to the old and are buried and rise to the new, we need to let the evil and the fruit of the kingdom of darkness go so that we die to the old way and come to life anew. The old things that we should look for is our life and try to eliminate include: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, dirty talk, lies regardless of their color.(Col.3)

Because we are chosen of God, we should view all things with a new insight. As we learn more and more about Christ, we strive continually to be more and more like him. We do not see people as being from this or that group, because race, sex,

education, and social status mean nothing any more. What matters is that a person has Jesus Christ or he doesn't... We who have salvation should, because of the deep love and concern of God, in turn show a tenderhearted mercy and kindnesses to others lest we become a stumbling block to the world. Eph. 4:29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

30: And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

31: Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

32: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

Live quietly and patiently even when that becomes painful. The victory that you have over problems may be a blessing to someone in search of God. Be forgiving, even when you are the one that has been wronged and the other person is almost unlovable. Remember, he forgives us as we forgive others. Go even farther, love the unlovable for the Father loved you in all your sin and saved you by his grace, not by wonderful works that impressed him and required that he give you salvation.

It could be said that love leads us to perfection. For it is in the love that comes out of our hearts and lives that we put into practice the love and new life that God has raised us to. Eph. 4:21: If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

22: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

23: And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

24: And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

25: Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another.

26: Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

27: Neither give place to the devil.

The extent to which the church is out of tune is the extent to which the individual members are out of touch with the love of God. If you are not in touch with God, then who was it that did not read the word and pray and seek his will every day?

II Tim. 2:15 Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

It is our responsibility to let the peace of God rule in our hearts. It is our responsibility to let the word of Christ enrich us to wisdom. As it is our responsibility to teach and edify and build up one another with the words and wisdom that have come from our experiences. We should be so thankful for what God has done for us that we are

constantly singing spiritual songs, hymns, and praising God with a thankful heart for his loving kindness and be bold enough to not be ashamed of it.

Whatever you do, whether you are speaking or working or relaxing, do it in the name of Jesus just as if you were the personal representative of God. Consider how doing that would change your life. If you could not say something to or in front of Jesus then it is out of place anywhere, anytime, anyway. If a job is the kind of job that Jesus would not work at because it is dishonest, or it brings harm or hurt to others or that one could not be honest and do this then you are in the wrong job. If the way that you relax does not bring honor to God, then you may need to change some or all of your activities. If Jesus were visiting with you today, would you have to tell your friends that you could not join them today because of the way they talk or drink or the activities that you enjoy? If Jesus were visiting today would you treat your spouse the same? Would you treat your children the same as usual? Would you do anything different?

The truth is that Jesus is visiting you today! When you were saved, you allowed God to come inside your body so that it became a temple to God! Everywhere you walk is holy ground because He lives within you and wherever He is, is holy. Every thing you do is in the name of Jesus or it is against the name of Jesus.

How you deal with your husband or wife is a reflection of how you live for Jesus. How you deal with your children, relatives, friends, and people at work is a reflection of Christ in you. In considering the actions of many “good Christian people”, it is very hard to find evidence of Christlikeness in their lives because one sees actions that reflect Satan more than Christ. Brothers and sisters in Christ, it should not be so. Every thing that you do and say should reflect Christ in you so that as you live your life, others will see Jesus in you and think in their minds, I want to have this Jesus in my life that makes this believer such a Godly person. Understand that only you can give account to God for the decisions you make on your conduct during this life. There were three in the garden of Eden that gave excuses to God. The man was given hard labor, the woman was given pain in childbirth, and the serpent had to forever crawl on his belly. From the first people, there was a lesson that a good action is better than a good excuse for a wrong action. I pray that you step out to do right before God and that you have the boldness and courage to stand just as Jesus had the boldness and courage to stand against the religion of man and go to the cross and spill his blood that you might have the salvation that you enjoy today. When your salvation was not cheap or even reasonable, Jesus gave his earthly life in agony on the cross that you without lifting a finger could experience the gift of salvation that you could not buy with the wages of a lifetime but were given by grace through faith. How can we neglect to be thankful for so great a salvation? How can we not let Jesus shine through us and our lives that we might light the way for others? Every thing that we do can be a witness to others of the love of God. If it is not, is it something that

I should be involved in?

Do I need a clean up day when I eliminate the things in my life that do not bring honor to God?

I have overcome the kingdom of darkness, and the world and I continue to overcome every obstacle in my way through the name of Jesus. I refuse to be discouraged, or let sickness get me down, or things put me in bondage. This job or situation of this life is where God has put me today to meet my financial and spiritual needs but God is my source in the name of Jesus. Next time that Satan comes against me, I will have victory in the name of Jesus.

God forbid that I should be ever learning and never come to the realization of the truth that after salvation, the only reason that I need to maintain is to grow up enough to minister to others. God is not lacking, and he does not require of me that I do something that is not possible to me. He enabled me to minister because he gave me the gifts of the Spirit to use while also giving me the privilege to be a part of the body of Christ. It is then my responsibility to use my gifts and be an active part of the body of Christ. It is the responsibility of every believer to walk as Jesus walked and minister as he ministered in Jesus name. How can I neglect so great a salvation or miss so great an opportunity?

I need to be in a constant state of growth toward the statue of Jesus Christ. I want to have an ever increasing faith and Christlikeness to witness to the world.

Col. 1:9 For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;

10: That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

11: Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

12: Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

13: Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:

14: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: How shall we gain knowledge and wisdom and understanding and relationship with the Father unless we pray, study the Bible, and fellowship with the believers (go to church). As we grow in Christlikeness, the next spiritual thing to do is to minister to others.

We are all called to minister. Some wish to sit back and be ministered to all of their life. That is like the child that is in diapers and on the bottle but only grows larger and never grows up. On those occasions that it happens, parents do not love

the child less but it is not what they desired. God does not send one to hell for not growing up in the faith, but it is not God's best for the individual when they do not mature in faith and in Christlikeness. Spiritually, if we do not grow and mature and reach toward the fullness of Christ, are we not less than God desired for us? Remember that we are the representatives of Christ to the world. We are the light in the world of darkness. If you are a Christian do not shine your light, there will be people in darkness around you who may never see the light. With every gift and privilege that God gives us, there is a corresponding responsibility. Remember that Jesus took care of your salvation. You are not earning your salvation. It is that having the joy of our salvation, we have trouble containing our desire to minister in the name of Jesus who has dealt with us so generously.

Man's call Rom. 8:29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

30: Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

31: What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

32: He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Eph. 1:8 Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; 9: Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:

10: That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:

11: In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

12: That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.

13: In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

God predestinated every believer to be conformed to the image of his Son and called every believer to a ministry and equipped the believer for that ministry as a part of the local body of Christ. Every believer has a ministry as a part of the local body of Christ. Every believer has a ministry and has a place of service in making up the body of Christ which is the church. The church then becomes the visible ambassador or representative of God in the world. The anointing of the church is to continue the work and anointing that Jesus started when he walked on the physically. That anointing is found in Luke 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the

brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

19: To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

20: And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

21: And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears. John 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

13: And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14: If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

15: If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Now one person in all of the Bible was called to do nothing. There is a call to salvation. Next, there is a call to minister, God does not give you a call and then leave you to figure a way to do it or to find the means to do it. He equips you through the work of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit in your life to have you fully prepared to fulfil your calling. Faith is required to make the first step and just as Peter had to put his foot on the water before he knew that it would hold him up, you have to put your foot forward and put your weight on it before God shows you where to place your foot for the second step.

Ministry is not a thing that we do down at the church. Ministry starts with our spouse and children and friends and neighbors and co-workers and even the people that we happen to come in contact with only one time. You serve God by the way that you do your job and by the way that you drive getting there. The way that you act when you are dead to the old way of thinking, acting, and talking and alive to the Christlike way of thinking, acting, and talking is a ministry by your example. It is for believers to let others see Jesus the light of the world shine through to the dark and the lost around us.

The vision of every believer was given by Jesus: Mark16:15 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

16: He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

17: And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18: They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

19: So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

20: And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and

confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

These signs shall follow them that believe. Notice that these signs shall follow! It is not that they might follow, they shall follow. There is no doubt, they will follow. Who will they follow? I believe, therefore I can put my name in there and it will read that these signs shall follow me. It is a sad situation when a so called believer is beaten down at every turn and broken and discouraged by the events of life's situations. If you lack the power to take authority over the events in your life, you need to go back and read to find who you are in Christ. You are the adopted son or daughter of God and you have all of the authority and power of the name of Jesus. Do not let Satan lie to you that you are defeated. Read Revelation so that you understand that God wins and you are a part of the winning team. The only victory that Satan can have is when you believe his lies and let him win. You can cast out devils and the serpent himself while God protects you and you can speak and pray in the Spirit and lay hands on the sick to see them healed by the finger of God. When believers realize who they are in Jesus, Satan will be sorry that he is who he is. Hebrews 3:1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;

What you say and the words that come from your lips are very important for Jesus is the High Priest of your confession. Whatever you have spoken is your profession given to the Great High Priest to work with in, for, and through your life. Too many people have neglected this verse of scripture. When you say a word, it is as a seed planted in the ground. The Great High Priest then cares for the seed and brings it to maturity and harvest time. Please give him a positive confession to work with. At sometime later you will reap what you sow and more than you sow. The Bible says it this way: Mt:12:36: But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. Why are idle words important? Everything that we say is said as a confession before our Apostle and High Priest Jesus Christ! Oh Lord, let the meditation of my heart and the words of my mouth be acceptable in your sight.

Our calling is to grow so that we may minister to others. John 21:15 So when they had dined, Jesus saith to Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my lambs.

16: He saith to him again the second time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

17: He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

What Jesus is saying here is that if you love me show it by growing in spiritual things so that you are able to witness to the lost and minister to those around you.

Heb. 3:13 Exhort one another daily pf

Heb. 5:12 Mature that you may minister to others pf

If you love God, grow so that you can help the new believers.

God the Father

The following scriptures contain a word or phrase that describes some of the countless wonderful qualities of God. Read these verses and let the Holy Spirit teach you of God the Father.

WHO IS GOD?

Gen 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Psa.36:5 Thy mercy, O LORD, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.

6: Thy righteousness is like the great mountains; thy judgments are a great deep: O LORD, thou preservest man and beast.

7: How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

Lam.3:21 This I recall to my mind, therefore have I hope.

22: It is of the LORD's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.

23: They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

Isa.64:8 But now, O LORD, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand.

Jer. 1:4: Then the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

5: Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

Isa. 6:1: In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

3: And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Ezek. 43:4 And the glory of the LORD came into the house by the way of the gate whose prospect is toward the east.

5: So the spirit took me up, and brought me into the inner court; and, behold, the glory of the LORD filled the house.

Nah. 1:3 The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds

are the dust of his feet.

4: He rebuketh the sea, and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.

5: The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth is burned at his presence, yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.

6: Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.

7: The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and he knoweth them that trust in him.

Gen.6:8 But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.



Ex.13:21 And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way; and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light; to go by day and night:

22: He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.

Ex. 3:5 And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

Num. 23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good? (Immutable)

Deut 10:17 For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward: (Impartial)

Isa. 55:8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

9: For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

Ex. 33:20 And he said, Thou canst not see my face: for there shall no man see me, and live.

Deut.4:24 For the LORD thy God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God.

Psa. 19:9 The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether.
 Ex. 34:6 And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,
 7: Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.
 Mal. 1:2: I have loved you, saith the LORD.
 Psa.106:1 Praise ye the LORD. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.
 Psa.111:6 He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.
 Isa. 26:4 In the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength:
 Gen. 28:16 Surely the Lord is in this place:
 Jer. 3:23 Truly in the Lord our God is the salvation of Israel

Some of the ways that God the Father has revealed himself to us in the Bible are:

NAME	MEANING
ELOHIM	GOD OF COVENANT RELATIONSHIPS & CREATOR
JEHOVAH	GOD OF RELATIONSHIP
EL	GOD OF POWER AND MIGHT
ELSHADDAI	ALL SUFFICIENT ONE
ADONAI	MASTER, LORD OF LORDS, AND OWNER
JEHOVAH-TSIDKENU	JEHOVAH OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS
JEHOVAH-M'KADDESH	JEHOVAH WHO SANCTIFIES
JEHOVAH-SHALOM	JEHOVAH IS PEACE
JEHOVAH-SHAMMAH	JEHOVAH IS THERE
JEHOVAH-ROPHE	JEHOVAH HEALS
JEHOVAH-JEREH	JEHOVAH IS My PROVIDER

JEHOVAH-NISSI
JEHOVAH-ROHI
JEHOVAH-TSEBAOTH
JEHOVAH-MAKKEH
JEHOVAH-GMOLAH

JEHOVAH-ELOHAY
JEHOVAH-ELOHEENU

JEHOVAH MY BANNER
JEHOVAH MY SHEPHERD
LORD OF HOSTS
JEHOVAH CHASTENS
LORD OF REWARDS &
RECOMPENSES
THE LORD MY GOD
THE LORD OUR GOD

I praise you Lord that you have loved me and offered salvation to me through your son and by your grace and have chosen to love me and reveal yourself to me and I glorify your name which reflects your greatness.

The Lord our God is the only true God. Beside him there is non other. His qualities cannot be comprehended by the mind and logic of man for how can we understand one who is infinite in power, might, knowledge, wisdom, goodness, holiness and who at the same time is a loving, caring, long-suffering God of mercy who is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him? God is absolutely perfect just and holy in all that he is, does and thinks.

God the Holy Spirit



God the Holy Spirit is seen as an active power from the creation story of Genesis one to the empowering of individuals and revelation to the prophets. In Matthew 1, he was the agent in Jesus's conception, his baptism, and his temptations. The divine power came upon Jesus after being anointed with the Holy Spirit at baptism. Jesus sent his disciples out in the power of the Holy Spirit, he faced the cross and was raised from the dead by the power of the Spirit (Matt.1, Heb. 9, Rom.1). The prophecy of Joel was promised by

Jesus that the Spirit would come upon believers to empower them (Luke 24, & John 14). This promise was fulfilled at Pentecost as you read acts 1 & 2.

For one to be saved, the Holy Spirit must draw him to God. For man to understand scripture, the Holy Spirit must reveal and illuminate and inspire one to action. In Col. 1 is a prayer for God to set the work of the Holy Spirit in action in one's life to bring about understanding of scripture and Godly things. The Holy Spirit is the comforter that Jesus promised to us who believe but in a time of distress, he is the teacher that guides and directs us in our understanding of how God has revealed himself and how to act moment by moment and day by day throughout our lives. He gives to believers spiritual gifts that empower them to minister as God has called each of them to do. He always glorifies Jesus (John 16). Religion which glorifies the Holy Spirit above Jesus and God the Father did not come from God by the work of the Holy Spirit because he glorifies Jesus.

You can be filled with the Spirit if you will surrender yourself to God and ask him to fill you with the Holy Spirit. Just as mentioned in Eph. 5 that they were accused of being drunk, there is a wonderful peace that comes to those who say to God daily, I want to die to the old self and every lust and evil desire and I want you to fill me with the Holy Spirit to fill up the void in that hole in my life that is made empty by the sinful desire that you have taken away. It is an emotional high experience that is fantastic. Another great thing that happens is that when one wakes up on the next day, there is no hangover, and the high experience is permanent. The Holy Spirit in one's life is evidence of salvation because every believer is indwelt by him. If he is within you, you will bear "fruit of the Spirit" as found in Eph. 5. God wants to fill you completely to the measure of Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit. If you will give yourself to him and ask him to completely fill you, he will do it so that you will experience the change in your life. Your daily walk will be different, your prayer life will be better than you ever dreamed possible, your understanding of the scriptures will come to life as the Spirit teaches and enlightens you and points to Jesus. The word says it this way in Matt. 5:13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

14: Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.

15: Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.

16: Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

It is the Spirit within you that gives you the boldness to speak out when all the world is against you. It is the Spirit within you that causes you to be a light shining forth in a dark and sinful world. The Holy Spirit is the power of God within the believer that gives power to the believer, the power to overcome the evil one and the power to run

the race of life all the way to the finish line being able to jump over obstacles and break through barriers put there to discourage you by the evil one. The power of God through the Spirit is in every true believer. Mark 16:17: And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18: They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Rom:8:10: And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

1Cor:12:7: But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

Gal:5:22: But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, 23: Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

24: And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

25: If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Eph:5:9: (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

10: Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.

11: And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

12: For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.

13: But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.

14: Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

15: See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,

16: Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

17: Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

18: And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

19: Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

20: Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

Jms:2:26: For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

1Jn:5:6: This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

Ephesians 4 teaches concerning believers being one in the spirit making the local church a strong, ministering, caring, loving group of believers rich in the gifts of the Spirit and excited to give account of their faith but giving no place in their life to the evil one.

Eph. 4:1: I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

2: With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love;

3: Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

4: There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;

5: One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

6: One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

7: But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

11: And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12: For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

13: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

14: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

15: But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

16: From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

17: This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind,

18: Having the understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:

19: Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.

20: But ye have not so learned Christ;

21: If so be that ye have heard him, and have been taught by him, as the truth is in Jesus:

22: That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

23: And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

24: And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

25: Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.

26: Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

27: Neither give place to the devil.

29: Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

30: And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

31: Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

32: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

I John 5:8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

Do not diminish the work of the Spirit in your life. When an unsaved person reads the above scripture, he sees words on the page. When a believer reads the word of God, the Holy Spirit gives revelation and insight not limited to the physical mind of the reader. My prayer is that you will allow God to totally fill you with his spirit so that you die to yourself rise with the mind and heart of God to step out in boldness and take on the role that you are called to and ordained to by God in Jesus empowered by the Holy Spirit.

The Nature of God

In I John 5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word (son), and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. God is an infinite being with three manifestations, yet without the essence being divided. There is the Father and the only begotten son and the Holy Spirit which proceeds from the Father and the Son. The Trinity, without beginning, without end, one God who is all knowing, all powerful, all present and Creator of all that is.



The Authority of the Believer

One of the saddest things to see is a Christian who feels that maybe he has salvation and has avoided hell but that is all that there is to this religion stuff. It may be that a few also add to that feeling the idea that they have not fallen to a particular sin so that adds another “good mark” for them. I do not know if that kind of religion saves! Salvation is like walking through a door. Do you know anyone who bought a door and hung it up and called it home? Of course not, they lock up

people that do strange things like that. You can have the nice door of salvation that opens to a tent with dirt floors and nothing else or you can have the same door of salvation that opens into a ninety room house. You decide! Too many Christians have the promises of the Bible to take advantage of but did not study to show themselves approved unto God and for lack of knowledge they perish. If the Bible says that it is yours, it is. If the word says you can, you can. If you believe that salvation only keeps you out of hell, then that is all that it does for you. But if you believe every word and promise of God's holy word then when it says that you have power and authority and signs and wonders follow you as a believer, and God hears and answers your prayers and that you are the adopted child of God. Praise God, you have everything the Bible says that you have.

I John 5:11 And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

12: He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

13: These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

14: And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

15: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

The word says in John 14:13 that whatsoever ye ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in my name, I will do it. You know that we are to continue the work that Jesus began which was (1) preach the gospel to the poor (2) Heal the brokenhearted (3) preach deliverance to the captives (4) recovering of sight to the blind (5) set at liberty those in bondage (6) tell of the coming of the Lord.

I John 3:22 And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.

23: And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.

24: And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

Heb. 3:1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus;

Proverbs 18:21: Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

I John 4:12: No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13: Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of

his Spirit.

14: And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

15: Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

16: And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

17: Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

18: There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

19: We love him, because he first loved us.

20: If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen?

21: And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

II Cor. 12:7: And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

8: For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

9: And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

10: Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

In order to truly be strong and have power, I must be weak. It is when I cannot do things myself that I depend on God the most. When I do things in my own power, things are done that come and go. When God gives me a vision to do things that are impossible to do in the flesh, I must depend on him to provide a way when there is no way and God does not fail or faint or grow weary. All things are in the power of God to do and without straining. If we started out every time depending on him instead of as a last resort, we would always find that he is ever able to meet our every need and to provide that which is even greater than our greatest desire.

Isaiah 40:21: Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

22: It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

23: That bringeth the princes to nothing; he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity.

24: Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind shall take them away as stubble.

25: To whom then will ye liken me, or shall I be equal? saith the Holy One.

26: Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things, that bringeth out their host by number: he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that he is strong in power; not one faileth.

27: Why sayest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel, My way is hid from the LORD, and my judgment is passed over from my God?

28: Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

29: He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

30: Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31: But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

It is the promise of God that he will give strength and endurance to those who do his will and his work.

I Peter 3:12: For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

13: And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good?

14: But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled;

15: But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

16: Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

17: For it is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

Joshua 1:5: There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

6: Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.

7: Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

8: This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate

therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

9: Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.

It is a wonderful thing that Almighty God has his eyes on the righteous and his ears are listening for prayers of the saints that he might answer them and bless his people. God does not want you to fail and be poor but his will is for you to be successful and prosperous in all things, both material things and spiritual things. Whatever you need, you can go to God in the name of Jesus and God is ready to intervene in your finances, health, work, and ministry and he can heal your mind, body or spirit because he is all powerful.

John 16:13
come, he will
speak of him-
shall he speak:
14: He shall
mine, and
James 1:5 If
God, that
upbraideth



Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is guide you into all truth: for he shall not self; but whatsoever he shall hear, that and he will shew you things to come. glorify me: for he shall receive of shall shew it unto you.

any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of giveth to all men liberally, and not; and it shall be given him.

6: But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

7: For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

8: A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

12: Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

Phil. 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

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Yes, that was the same statement three times. Say it over and over until it reaches down deep within your spirit and takes root. It is important to know that God is with me and God with me makes a majority in every right thing.

Sometimes problems come our way and when they do and other people do wrong things to us, it is time to look to God not at our circumstances. From the lord's prayer we find this promise:

Matt. 6:14: For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also

forgive you:

15: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Sometimes things happen in our lives that seem bad, but no matter how bad a thing seems, God will turn it around for good in the life of a believer every time!

When everyone fails us including our parents, God is still a good God and he still loves us and will never let us down.

Psalms 27:10 When my father and my mother forsake me, then the LORD will take me up.

11: Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

Psalms 34:1: I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

3: O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

4: I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

5: They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.

6: This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.

7: The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

8: O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

9: O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him.

10: The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.

11: Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

15: The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.

16: The face of the LORD is against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

17: The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

18: The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

19: Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

Being saved does not eliminate all of your problems. In fact you may see more. Being saved enables you to overcome your problems through the power and the grace

of God. Nothing will happen to you that is beyond the control of God. He will see you through. Focus on the things of God, not on the problem of the day.

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

29: For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

30: Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

31: What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

35: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

36: As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

37: Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

38: For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

39: Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

If God is for us and nothing can separate us from his love, then we have complete victory! How can we look at our life as loss if God is for us and in us and causing all things to work together for our good? How sweet is the victory in Jesus!

Jeremiah 33:3 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

II Chronicles 7:14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

Power, strength, health, success and wealth are found by reaching out to God. The world tries every method to obtain them while the way is shown in the scriptures. Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all of these things shall be added to you. God is looking for the believer that will seek him with his whole heart that he may both meet his or her needs and give them the desires of their hearts.

Finally, stand in continual prayer and thanksgiving. Watch and be alert for the temptations of Satan. Do not be down and concentrate on the circumstances around you but keep your eyes on Jesus who is able to make us victorious over all that we encounter.

Creation

As the first chapter of Genesis relates, creation was done by God in six normal days.

Genesis 1:1: In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

2: And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

3: And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

4: And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.

5: And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

6: And God said, Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

7: And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament: and it was so.

8: And God called the firmament Heaven. And the evening and the morning were the second day.

9: And God said, Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry land appear: and it was so.

10: And God called the dry land Earth; and the gathering together of the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good.

11: And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

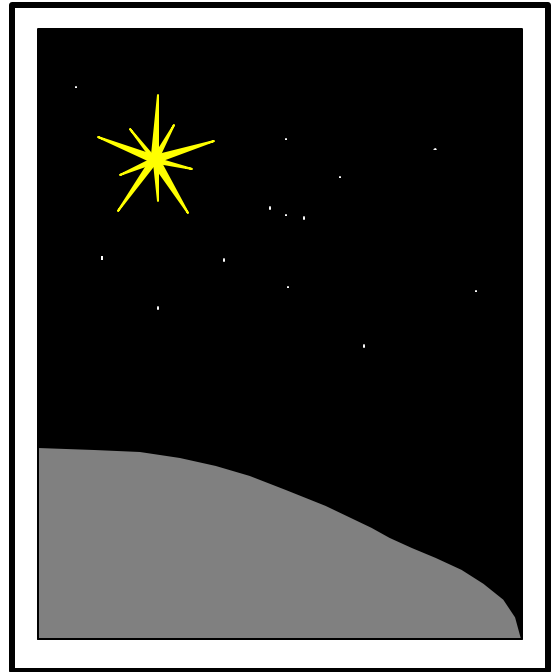
12: And the earth brought forth grass, and herb yielding seed after his kind, and the tree yielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

13: And the evening and the morning were the third day.

14: And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years:

15: And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth: and it was so.

16: And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser



light to rule the night: he made the stars also.

17: And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,
18: And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that it was good.

19: And the evening and the morning were the fourth day.

20: And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly the moving creature that hath life, and fowl that may fly above the earth in the open firmament of heaven.

21: And God created great whales, and every living creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly, after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

22: And God blessed them, saying, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth.

23: And the evening and the morning were the fifth day.

24: And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.

25: And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.

26: And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

28: And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

29: And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

30: And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so.

31: And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Gen. 2:1: Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

2: And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made.

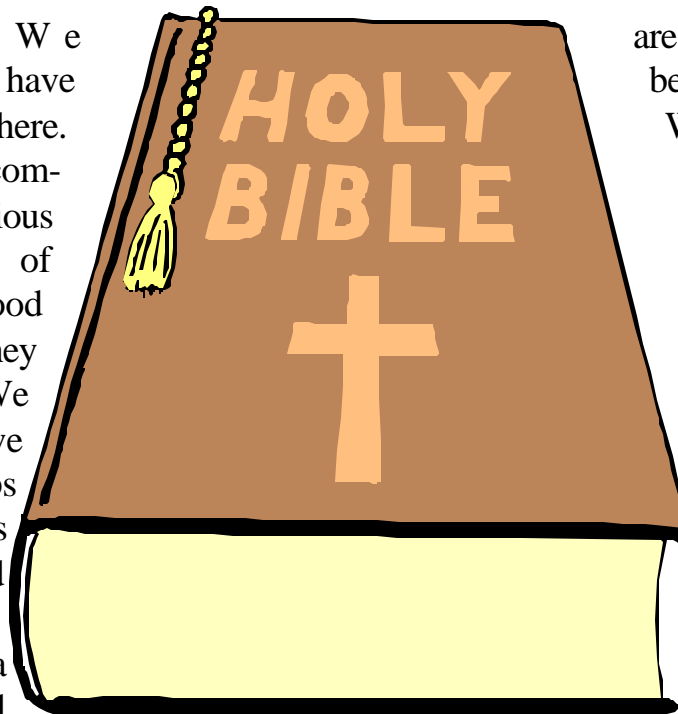
3: And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

God created man in his own image. Which indicates that man is not a messed up monkey as some so called educated people have taught. And it was not

an accident that as God put life on this planet, the atmosphere supported that life.

The Bible God's Revelation of Himself to Man:

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Heb. 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

I Tim. 4:5: For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.

6: If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.

13: Till I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine.

14: Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of the hands of the presbytery.

15: Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all.

Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.

7: As they were increased, so they sinned against me: therefore will I change their glory into shame.

David who was a man after God's own heart said these things about study of the word of God:

Ps. 1:2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Ps. 63:6 When I remember thee upon my bed, and meditate on thee in the night watches.

Ps. 77:12 I will meditate also of all thy work, and talk of thy doings.

Ps. 119:15 I will meditate in thy precepts, and have respect unto thy ways.

16: I will delight myself in thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

23: Princes also did sit and speak against me: but thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.

24: Thy testimonies also are my delight and my counsellors.

25: My soul cleaveth unto the dust: quicken thou me according to thy word.

48: My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved; and I will meditate in thy statutes.

49: Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.

50: This is my comfort in my affliction: for thy word hath quickened me.

78: Let the proud be ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: but I will meditate in thy precepts.

79: Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.

80: Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed.

81: My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word.

82: Mine eyes fail for thy word, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?

148: Mine eyes prevent the night watches, that I might meditate in thy word.

Ps. 143:: I remember the days of old; I meditate on all thy works; I muse on the work of thy hands.

Mt. 22:29: Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

Mk. 12:24: And Jesus answering said unto them, Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God?

We could be as David was and keep our mind on the teachings of the Bible and the things of God or we may stand before Jesus and have him ask us if it is that we are in error because we did not take time to know the scriptures not the power of God!

Lk. 24:45: Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

Pray the prayer in Col. 1:9-14 for God to give you understanding of

the word and of spiritual things. It is a prayer that God would love to answer for you.
Rom. 15:4: For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

II Tm. 3:15: And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

16: All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

II pt. 1:19: We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

20: Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

Jn. 7:38: He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

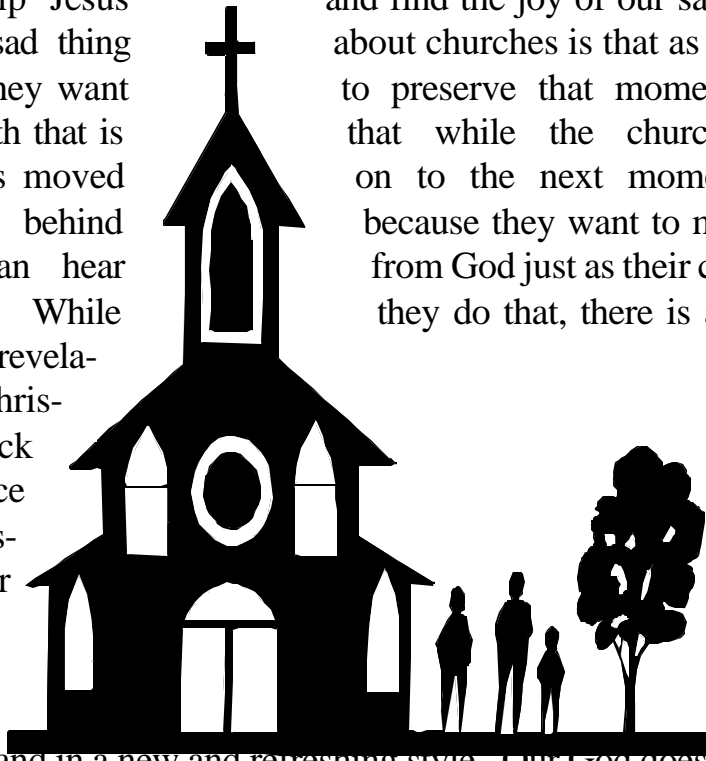
39: (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

The Bible is the word and God. Scripture is without error and given by the inspiration of God. Anything in conflict with the scripture must then be in error.

If There is no living water flowing from you or your church, could it be that there has not been enough time spent in the scriptures to understand the Jesus that is revealed therein?

The Church- The Fellowship of Believers- The Bride of Christ

If only we could take the word and worship Jesus live in it. The sad thing hear from God, they want major problem with that is moment, God has moved churches are left behind that everyone can hear point in the past. While God in the next revela- Far too many Chris- best by looking back tain top experience the wonderful his- God has done for past. Don't build to walk across a next time that God



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in a different way and in a new and refreshing style. Our God does not change but he has such an infinite mind that he has planned great variety in his churches and works in a great variety of ways his wonders to perform. If your church still sings the same songs that it sang in 1950, you don't need a hymnal, you need an alarm clock. If the structure of the church is still the same as it was in 1950, then you have said To the community that our structure is more important than your needs. What you have really said to the people is that we will keep our structure. You keep our and let us die. We must find new ways to tell the old story of the saving power of Jesus.

Take care that you be not as the church in II Tm. 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

3: Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,

4: Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

5: Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

7: Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Acts 14:27 And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

The vision given to the church by Jesus is:

Mark 16:15: And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.

16: He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

17: And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues;

18: They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

19: So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

20: And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

Eph. 5:27: That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

I Tm. 3:15: But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

I Tm. 5:16: If any man or woman that believeth have widows, let them relieve them, and let not the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed.

Heb.2:12: Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.

Jms. 5:13: Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms.

14: Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

15: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

16: Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

I Cor. 12:27: Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

28: And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.

29: Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?

30: Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

31: But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

Rv. 3:22: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Rv. 22:16: I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

17: And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

God wants to use the church for so much. It is the tool to reach the lost, the hospital to care for the wounded in the battle against the evil one, it is the school to learn and be equipped to minister in the name of Jesus. The church is the group of people that reach out to the sick and hurting and imprisoned and give them Jesus to set them free. The church cares for the widows, the poor and the down-trodden and lifts them up. The church is the refueling station to energize the

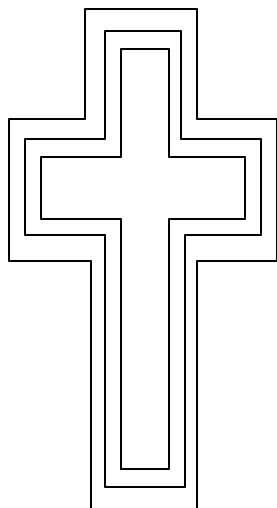


THE WORD SAYS OF THE CHURCH THAT IT IS:

Assembly of the Saints
Assembly of the upright
Baptized by one Spirit
Belongs to God
Body of Christ
Bride of Christ
Christ is the head
Church of the living God
Dwelling
Edified by the word
Family
Golden Candlestick
Habitation of God
House of God
House of Christ
Increasing
Many members
Members of His body
Righteous
Victorious

Psa. 89:7
Psa. 111:1
I Cor. 12:13
I Tim. 3:15
Eph. 1:22
Rev 21:9
Eph. 5:23- 29
Heb. 12:22
Ps. 84
Rom. 12:6
Eph. 3:15
Rev. 1:20
Eph. 2:22
I Tim. 3:15
Heb. 3:6
Acts 2:47
I Cor. 12:12-28
Eph 4:25; 5:30
Rev. 19:8
Rev. 3:12

Ps:122:1: I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.



INTERACTION WITH FAMILY AND OTHERS:

The rules for interaction with both family and strangers is very simple. Do it as God would do it. If we use Jesus as an example, then we are likely to do a good thing and be honorable in all of our dealings with others. This is another place to use I John 2:6 which states that if we call ourselves Christians, then we ought to walk as he (Christ) walked.

Matt. 5:38: Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth:
39: But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

40: And if any man will sue thee him have thy cloke also.

41: And whosoever shall compel

42: Give to him that asketh thee, thee turn not thou away.

43: Ye have heard that it hath been and hate thine enemy.

44: But I say unto you, Love your good to them that hate you, and you, and persecute you;

45: That ye may be the children he maketh his sun to rise on the on the just and on the unjust.

46: For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

47: And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?

48: Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

Luke 6:20: And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said, Blessed be ye poor: for yours is the kingdom of God.

21: Blessed are ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed are ye that weep now: for ye shall laugh.

22: Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.

23: Rejoice ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold, your reward is great in heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.

24: But woe unto you that are rich! for ye have received your consolation.

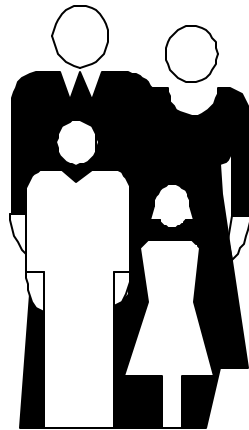
25: Woe unto you that are full! for ye shall hunger. Woe unto you that laugh now! for ye shall mourn and weep.

26: Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

27: But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,

28: Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.

29: And unto him that smiteth thee on the one cheek offer also the other; and him that taketh away thy cloke forbid not to take thy coat also.



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30: Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that taketh away thy goods ask them not again.

31: And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise.

32: For if ye love them which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.

33: And if ye do good to them which do good to you, what thank have ye? for sinners also do even the same.

34: And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again.

35: But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

36: Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

37: Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven:

38: Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again.

39: And he spake a parable unto them, Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch?

40: The disciple is not above his master: but every one that is perfect shall be as his master.

41: And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye?

42: Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye.

43: For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

44: For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes.

45: A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

46: And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

47: Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like:

48: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.

49: But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great.

Mark 12:30: And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and

with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment.

31: And the second is like, namely this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. There is none other commandment greater than these.

HOW CAN ONE ADD TO THE WORDS OF JESUS? There is no doubt about the mind set of Jesus and the way that he wants us to think toward others.

Eph. 6:1: Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.

2: Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first commandment with promise;)

3: That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.

4: And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

5: Servants, be obedient to them that are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;

6: Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;

7: With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:

8: Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free.

9: And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.

Every believer should strive to conduct himself as God would do in his place. We are his ambassadors to the world, therefore it is our responsibility to conduct ourselves in such a way that we relate to other people just as Jesus would if he were walking around in our footsteps.

Eph. 5:1: Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;

2: And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

3: But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;

4: Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.

5: For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

6: Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.

7: Be not ye therefore partakers with them.

8: For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:

9: (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)

10: Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.

11: And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

12: For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.

13: But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light: for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.

14: Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light.

15: See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,

16: Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.

17: Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

18: And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

19: Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;

20: Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;

21: Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

22: Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

23: For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.

24: Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.

25: Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

26: That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word,

27: That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

28: So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

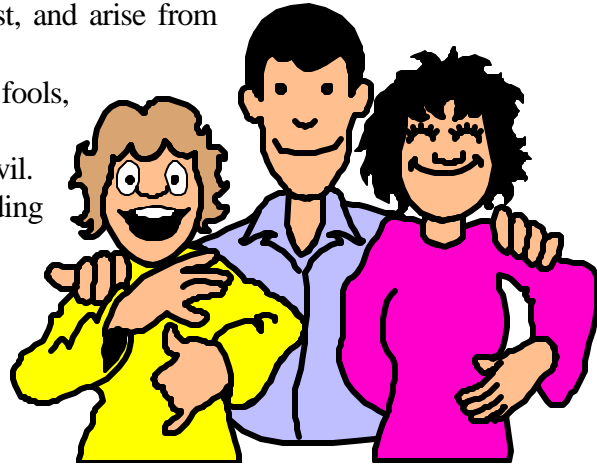
29: For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church:

30: For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

31: For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

32: This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

33: Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband.



In times that people will not keep a commitment to pay notes on an item for a year, is there any wonder that marriage does not last? A man and woman should make a covenant to love each other as Christ loves the church and be longsuffering, faithful and dependable without end and without consideration of circumstances.

When God gives you the joy of having children, he also gives you the responsibility of nurturing and teaching each child in the same way that you would have the Heavenly Father deal with you. No more. No less. No excuses. When God gives you a spouse, you should show the same love and devotion that Jesus shows toward the church. Note that he never threatens to leave the church and breaking a marriage should never be considered unless excessive physical harm or sinful nature is forced on one spouse. You do not have the right under God to do wrong!

Gal. 4:3: Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world:

4: But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law,

5: To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

6: And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father.

7: Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ.

God is the great example of fatherhood. He adopted as many as believed in Jesus his Son into his family so that we are now sons and daughters and co-heirs with Jesus Christ.



LAST THINGS

Jesus is coming again to the earth. The dead in Christ shall rise to glory. In that day, we shall have a glorified body without hurt or pain or sickness and a glorified mind so that we shall know as we are known and not ever forget a name of anyone in Heaven!

As I understand what will happen, Christ shall come for his bride, the church, at the beginning, middle or end of the seven years of tribulation. With or without the church, the people of earth will go through seven years during which the antichrist will come to power and the judgment of God shall fall. To those of us who are believers and saved, we shall go to be with Jesus at the marriage supper of the Lamb. We will come back with him when he comes to reign for a thousand years on earth.

I Thess.4:13: But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

14: For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15: For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16: For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

18: Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

I Thess. 5:2: For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

3: For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

4: But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.

8: But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

9: For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

10: Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.

11: Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

15: See that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves, and to all men.

16: Rejoice evermore.

17: Pray without ceasing.

18: In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

19: Quench not the Spirit.

20: Despise not prophesyings.

21: Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

22: Abstain from all appearance of evil.

23: And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

24: Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

Isa.2:2: And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it.

3: And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

4: And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Matt. 16:27: For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

Matt. 18:1: At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?

2: And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them,

3: And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

4: Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

5: And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.

6: But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

7: Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

8: Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into everlasting fire.

9: And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire.

10: Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.

11: For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost.

Matt. 19:25: When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved?

26: But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible.

27: Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore?

28: And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

29: And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

30: But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.

Matt. 24:21: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

22: And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

23: Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

24: For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

25: Behold, I have told you before.

26: Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

27: For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

28: For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

29: Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

30: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

31: And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

36: But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

37: But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38: For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

39: And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

40: Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

41: Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

42: Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

43: But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

44: Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

45: Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?

46: Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

47: Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

48: But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

49: And shall begin to smite his fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;

50: The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of,

51: And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

II Peter 3:9: The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

10: But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

11: Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,

12: Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

13: Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Luke 21:20: And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.

21: Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.

22: For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

23: But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.

24: And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

25: And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring;

26: Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

27: And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.

28: And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your

heads; for your redemption draweth nigh.

29: And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees;

30: When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand.

31: So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

32: Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled.

33: Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.

34: And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares.

35: For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

36: Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

John Jn:14:1 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3: And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

I John 2:27: But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

28: And now, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

Rev.3:11: Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Rev. 22:12: And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

13: I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

14: Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

15: For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

16: I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.
 17: And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.



Rev. 2:1: Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;

2: I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:

3: And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.

4: Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

5: Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

6: But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitans, which I also hate.

7: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

8: And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;

9: I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.



10: Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

11: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

12: And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;

13: I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.

14: But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

15: So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitans, which thing I hate.

16: Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

17: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name

18: And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;

19: I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

20: Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

21: And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

22: Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

23: And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

24: But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

25: But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.

26: And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

27: And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

28: And I will give him the morning star.

29: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

Rev. 3:1: And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.

2: Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.

3: Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

4: Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.

5: He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

6: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

7: And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

8: I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

9: Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

10: Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of tempta-

11: Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

12: Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

13: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

14: And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

15: I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

16: So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

17: Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:



18: I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

19: As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

20: Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

21: To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

22: He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

ETERNAL SECURITY

Jn:3:15: That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.

16: For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

John 10:27: My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

28: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

29: My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

30: I and my Father are one.

Rom:5:21: That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rom:6:23: For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1Tm:6:12: Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

1Tm:6:19: Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

Ti:1:2: In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

Ti:3:7: That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

1Jn:2:25: And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life.

1Jn:5:10: He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.

11: And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

12: He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.

13: These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

14: And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:

15: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

Jude:1:21: Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

How can I have eternal life? By faith in Jesus Christ. There is no “or”, “and”, or “if” in John 3:15-16. By the grace of God, faith in Jesus Christ who paid our sin debt is the only requirement to have eternal life. If I believe, I shall have eternal life. It is so because the word of God says it. Having eternal life and a right relationship with God causes me to want to go out and work and produce good fruit that will be pleasing to Him. Knowing that I have a personal relationship with God always draws me to want to please him. There are some so called spirit filled denominations which suggest that if one has eternal security, that it gives them permission to live a life of sin. Never have I ever met a person that believes that their salvation is secure that wanted to live for the devil! Does one become filled with the Holy Spirit to enjoy sin? I think not.

It is time to stop the denominational bickering and read what the word of God has to say. Believer and you shall have eternal life. If I have eternal life today, can there ever be a day that I no longer have it and it still be eternal life? If there is then the third chapter of John is wrong but it is not because it is the word of God and His word is always right.

In John 10 we see that as he has given eternal life, there is no power that can pluck a believer out of His (Jesus’) hand and not only that, but the believer is also in the hands of the Father



so that there is no power that can pluck him out of the hands of the Father. The hand of Jesus is on one side and the hand of God the Father on the other side, and the Holy Spirit on the inside, how shall Satan pluck the believer away from God? But some would say that you could decide to follow Satan and leave God to become lost again. Now if you are in the hands of allmighty God, where would you get the idea to leave? Would it be from God or

Satan? If Satan could overpower God and take you from his hand then he would be god. Read the word, there is no power that can stand before the one and only true all powerful God. No power is great enough to open His hands and take even one of His saved by grace believers!

Does God want us to be righteous before Him? Does knowing that I am forgiven and clean and pure, holy and righteous before God make me want to sin or live in the love of God? The one who wants continually to live in sin and wants to know what all he can do without going to hell needs one thing. That thing is salvation. After salvation a person no longer looks for “what can I get away with without going to hell”, but looks for “what can I do to please a loving God who looked at a lost sinner and by his grace and his sacrifice, changed me and translated me into the Kingdom of God, and adopted me as a son and co-heir with Jesus Christ in eternal life”. That old sinner died and I am reborn of the Spirit, a new creature. Jesus died on the cross to pay my sin debt that had to be paid before I could enter into the presence of a pure and holy God. Now we who believer are a kingdom of priests before God and able to enter into the Holy of Holies and speak to the Father where in times past, only the high priest could enter into his presence one time per year. The only mediator between us and God is Jesus Christ! I have believed on Him and the same power of the Holy Spirit that raised him from the dead is going to raise me from the dead to new life in that day. There is nothing that I can do to get more saved than I already am right now and God is protecting me that I cannot be plucked away from Him. I just as well go around showing the love of God to everyone I meet until He calls me home.

Free Will

James 1:12: Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

13: Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:

14: But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.

15: Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

16: Do not err, my beloved brethren.

Romans 5:5: And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

6: For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

7: For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

8: But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

9: Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

10: For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

11: And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

12: Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

13: (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

14: Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

15: But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

16: And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.

17: For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)

18: Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.

19: For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

20: Moreover the law entered, that the offence might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound:

21: That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Eph. 2:4: But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us,

5: Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;)

6: And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

7: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

8: For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
9: Not of works, lest any man should boast.
10: For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

John 6:43: Jesus therefore answered and said unto them, Murmur not among yourselves.

44: No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

45: It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.

46: Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.

47: Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.

48: I am that bread of life.

49: Your fathers did eat manna in the wilderness, and are dead.

50: This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.

51: I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.

Jude 3:3: For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

4: But after that the kindness and love of God our Saviour toward man appeared,

5: Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

6: Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

7: That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

8: This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

Romans 7:15: For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.

16: If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.

17: Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

18: For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but how to perform that which is good I find not.

19: For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

20: Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

21: I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

22: For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

23: But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

24: O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

25: I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

God has given to each person a will with the liberty and power of acting upon choice. The first family (Adam and Eve) lived in a state of innocence and had the freedom and power to fellowship with God, do good, and be pleasing to God. They chose rebellion in sin which seperated them from a holy and pure God. After that every child born had a sinful nature and was not able by his own strength to convert himself to Godliness. When God converts a sinner and translates him into the state of grace, he sets him free from that natural bondage and enables man by His (God's) grace alone to will and do that which is spiritually good. When we are called away to be with Jesus, we shall have a glorified body and be free of the flesh and the lust of the flesh and in that day we shall be made perfectly able to will and do good alone in glory.



Marriage

Matt. 19:4: And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female,

5: And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?

6: Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

7: They say unto him, Why did Moses then command to give a writing of divorcement, and to put her away?

8: He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

9: And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.

10: His disciples say unto him, If the case of the man be so with his wife, it is not good to marry.

11: But he said unto them, All men cannot receive this saying, save they to whom it is given.

12: For there are some eunuchs, which were so born from their mother's womb: and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and there be eunuchs, which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake. He that is able to receive it, let him receive it.

I Cor. 7:1: Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman.² Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband.³ Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband.

4: The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife.

5: Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency.

6: But I speak this by permission, and not of commandment.

7: For I would that all men were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper gift of God, one after this manner, and another after that.

8: I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I.

9: But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn.

10: And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband:¹¹ But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried, or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife.¹² But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.

13: And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him.

14: For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy.

15: But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such cases: but God hath called us to peace.

16: For what knowest thou, O wife, whether thou shalt save thy husband? or how knowest thou, O man, whether thou shalt save thy wife?

I Cor. 7:24: Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide with God.

25: Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my judgment, as one that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful.

26: I suppose therefore that this is good for the present distress, I say, that it is good for a man so to be.

27: Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife.

28: But and if thou marry, thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you.

29: But this I say, brethren, the time is short: it remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;

30: And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not;

31: And they that use this world, as not abusing it: for the fashion of this world passeth away.

32: But I would have you without carefulness. He that is unmarried careth for the things that belong to the Lord, how he may please the Lord:

33: But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world, how he may please his wife.

34: There is difference also between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman careth for the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit: but she that is married careth for the things of the world, how she may please her husband.

Malachi 2:11: Judah hath dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem; for Judah hath profaned the holiness of the LORD which he loved, and hath married the daughter of a strange god.

12: The LORD will cut off the man that doeth this, the master and the scholar, out of the tabernacles of Jacob, and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.

13: And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that he regardeth not the offering any more, or receiveth it with good will at your hand.

14: Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.

15: And did not he make one? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

16: For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.

17: Ye have wearied the LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied him? When ye say, Every one that doeth evil is good in the sight of the LORD, and he delighteth in them; or, Where is the God of judgment?

2Cor:6:14: Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

Marriage is between one man and one woman without other partners at the same time. It is ordained of God and good in his sight. However, for those who choose not to marry that is good in his sight also. If you are a believer and not married, it is your obligation to marry a believer. To be unequally yoked with an unbeliever will cause sin just as it did for Solomon. The limitations of who one should marry is given in Leviticus chapter 18 and these rules still hold true for today. Incest, fornication and adultery are still sin in the sight of God. When you find “thou shalt not” in the Bible, don’t do it. When you find “thou shalt” in the Bible, then it is the thing to do.

What happens before one becomes a believer cannot be taken back but it can be forgiven. When a believer gets married then it should be a lifelong commitment and covenant that is never for any

reason broken. If you followed the will of God and married the person that he prepared for you to stand by you, support you, and strengthen you for the rest of your life, then you are happier than you could be with anyone else or anywhere else. If you married in rebellion to God’s will, then you will reap what you have sown. If a mate is in the will of God, he will never beat and physically assault a spouse. If that happens, then get out of the reach of that person until the demon is out of your spouse. In marriage one should enjoy the person you are married to exactly as God made them. Marriage is not about changing people and shaping them in your image, it is about helping a mate through life as God changes and shapes that person in the image of Christ!



STEWARDSHIP

Gen. 14:18: And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

19: And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:

20: And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all.

Lev. 27:30: And all the tithes of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD's: it is holy unto the LORD.

32: And concerning the tithes of the herd, or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy unto the LORD.

Deut. 8:17: And thou say in thine heart, My power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this wealth.

18: But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swore unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

Malachi 3:8: Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

9: Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

10: Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

11: And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

12: And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

13: Your words have been stout against me, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, What have we spoken so much against thee?

14: Ye have said, It is vain to serve God: and what profit is it that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?

15: And now we call the proud happy; yea, they that work wickedness are set up; yea, they that tempt God are even delivered.

16: Then they that feared the LORD spake often one to another: and the LORD hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

17: And they shall be mine, saith the LORD of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him.

18: Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not.

Matt. 6:1: Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven.

2: Therefore when thou doest thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

3: But when thou doest alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth:

4: That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which seeth in secret himself shall reward thee openly.

5: And when thou prayest, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

6: But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

19: Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

20: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

21: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

Matt. 19:21: Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me.

29: And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

Matt. 23:23: Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have omitted the weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ye to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

24: Ye blind guides, which strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

25: Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter, but within they are full of extortion and excess.

26: Thou blind Pharisee, cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter, that the outside of them may be clean also.

27: Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

28: Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

29: Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,

Matt. 25:13: Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

14: For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods.

15: And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey.

16: Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents.

17: And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two.

18: But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

19: After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.

20: And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more.

21: His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

22: He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them.

23: His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

24: Then he which had received the one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

25: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.

26: His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

27: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury.

28: Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents.

29: For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

30: And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

31: When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:

32: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:

33: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

34: Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

35: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in:

36: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me.

37: Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink?

38: When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee?

39: Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

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40: And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

41: Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

42: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink:

43: I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not.

44: Then shall they also answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

45: Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.

46: And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

Romans 12:1: I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2: And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

I Cor. 4:1: Let a man so account of us, as of the ministers of Christ, and stewards of the mysteries of God.

2: Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful.

I Cor. 6:19: What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

20: For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

I Cor. 16:2: Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come.

II Cor. 9:6: But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

7: Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

8: And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

9: (As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever.

10: Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;)

11: Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.

Where did all things come from and who is your source in all things? The word says that it is God who gives us power to get wealth. He asks us to be faithful to return a tithe to him for the working of the ministry. To be a good steward and be found faithful then one should give of all that he has, money, time, talent, and gifts which all came from God. Malachi reminds us that to make the decision on the road of life to be selfish and consider only self while not supporting your local congregation or the missionary work of spreading the gospel or helping the poor and needy who are unable to make enough or have had problems so that they are in need while we have the means to relieve their pain is as robbing God. Every person must decide which direction they will go in storing up treasure on earth for a season or ministering and storing up heavenly treasure that is for



eternity. When we bring our tithes and gifts into the storehouse (church) and support the work of the ministry, spreading of the gospel, and give help to those in need, God will open the windows of heaven and pour out more blessing for you than you can receive. It is a joy to give just because you in doing so help others to hear of salvation through Jesus Christ and that is good enough reason. But God is so good, when you obey him, you not only get joy but you get a blessing also. Not only are you happy and blessed but God also rebukes the devourer for your sake that he cannot destroy your blessings.

What good is it if you gain the whole world and lose your soul? God supplies you with a generous supply of wealth that you may use it to bring the good news to a lost and dying world, not



to make a god of money and the things that it will buy. Matthew 6 reminds us that we need to give with a right attitude to the Lord with a motivation of doing right things before him, not to have others glorify us. More than money, give God the first tithe and a love offering of all parts of our life that we glorify him and know that our real treasure is in our salvation by the grace of God through the sacrifice of Jesus that we have eternal life in his presence. If you give up something in this life in the name of Jesus, you will receive an hundredfold blessing for it on top of your salvation. God said it in Matthew 19, it is so.



Have you saved up great wealth that you will one day leave behind and go out into eternity and leave behind? Are you secure in knowing that you have provided for yourself in that you will never have money problems because you have taken care of your own needs? Whatever our financial situation, God wants us to depend upon him to supply our needs. If you have wealth and see one in need and unable to stretch a dollar far enough to feed their family but you have no compassion to help, then is the mind in you which is in Christ Jesus? If you can look at the needs of others and not want to help or you cannot give to your local church, then is your trust in God or in money? In Matthew 25 we read the parable of the faithful servants who used their talents for profit and were pleasing to the Father but the one who hid his talent lost now and in the world to come.



Notice that God said to ALL his sheep who inherit eternal life that I was sick, in prison, hungry, thirsty, a stranger, or naked and you met my needs in that as you did it to the least of people, you did it to me go into eternal life. To those who shall spend eternity in hell, you did not do these things to me in that you did not do them to other people.

Through the Bible, we see the teaching of sowing and reaping. You will reap what you sow. If it is good or bad, much or little, in love or grudgingly the harvest will come back as you have sown it. II Cor. 9:10 tells us that God gives you seed and food and tells us to multiply your seed sown to increase the fruits. If you want a lot of blessings then plant more seed!

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