

CONFESSION OF OUR SINS BECOMING CHILDREN OF THE LIGHT*

This is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

But he who does the Truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been *[exposed]* done in God. John 3:19-21*

1Th 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

Meaning of “light”:

*Light: Brilliant quality of truth and its knowledge, that which is exposed openly, publicly**

*Darkness: of the night, given up to the power of darkness, blindness, ignorance, obscurity **

AGREE WITH YOUR ADVERSARY QUICKLY*

Agree with your adversary quickly, while you are on the way with him, lest your adversary deliver you to the judge, and the judge hand you over to the officer, and you are thrown into prison. Assuredly, I say to you, you will by no means get out of there till you have paid the last penny. Matt 5:25-26*

*Adversary: person speaking “truth” to another.**

TURN THE OTHER CHEEK*

But whoever slaps you on your right cheek,
turn the other to him also. Matt 5:39*

*Convict: rebuke, reprove, to expose, bring to the light a fault, admonish, chasten**

Turning the other cheek is the same is saying:
“Thank you, brother. What else do you see I need to
pray on.”*

John 16:7-13 Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you. And when He has come,

He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

of sin, because they do not believe in Me;
of righteousness, because I go to My Father
and you see Me no more; of judgment,
because the ruler of this world is judged:

I still have many things to say to you,
but you cannot bear them now.
However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come,
He will guide you into all truth;

for He will not speak on His own authority,
but whatever He hears He will speak;
and He will tell you things to come.*

2Ti 3:15-16 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

**All Scripture is given by inspiration of God,
and is profitable**

- 1. for doctrine, 2. for reproof, 3. for correction,**
- 4. for instruction in righteousness ***

James 5:16

**Confess your trespasses to one another,
and pray for one another, that you may be healed.
The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man
avails much.***

*Confess: to bring forth from the heart, freely, or publicly,
openly, to acknowledge openly and joyfully
(We can confess joyfully because we know that
Jesus is our Deliverer, forgiving us and cleansing us.)**

Faults: trespass, offence, sin, fall,
a lapse or deviation from truth and uprightness,
misdeed,*

Truth: what is true in any matter under consideration,
the facts according to truth in reality*

Take up sin, or take up your cross to Jesus,
confess and repent.

Heb 12:5-8 *And you have forgotten the exhortation which speaks to you as to sons: “My son, do not despise the chastening of the LORD, Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; For whom the LORD loves He chastens, And scourges every son whom He receives.”* If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten? But if you are without chastening, of which all have become partakers, then you are illegitimate and not sons.*

1Pe 2:24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—**by whose stripes you were healed.** *

Isa 53:5 But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; The chastisement for our peace was upon Him, **And by His stripes we are healed.**

(By His correction, scourging, chastening, stripes laid on us we are healed.)

Psa 32:1 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,
2 Blessed is the man to whom the LORD does not
impute iniquity, And in whose spirit there is no deceit.
3 When I kept silent, my bones grew old Through my
groaning all the day long. 4 For day and night Your
hand was heavy upon me; My vitality was turned into
the drought of summer. Selah

**Psa 32:5 I acknowledged my sin to You, And my
iniquity I have not hidden. I said, “I will confess my
transgressions to the LORD,” And You forgave the
iniquity of my sin. Selah***

Psa 32:6 For this cause everyone who is godly shall pray
to You In a time when You may be found; Surely in a
flood of great waters. (*repentance*) They shall
not come near him.: 7 You are my hiding place;
You shall preserve me from trouble;

You shall surround me with songs of deliverance. Selah

Psa 32:8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you
should go; I will guide you with My eye.

**9 Do not be like the horse or like the mule,
Which have no understanding,
Which must be harnessed with bit and bridle,
Else they will not come near you.**

10 Many sorrows shall be to the wicked; But he who trusts in the LORD, mercy shall surround him.

11 Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, you righteous;
And shout for joy, all you upright in heart!*

Romans 14:11

**For it is written: “As I live, says the LORD,
Every knee shall bow to Me,
And every tongue shall confess to God.”***

1 John 1:9

**If we confess our sins,
He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

MIGHTY MEN OF VALOUR*

MIGHTY: (*HEBREW-1368*) powerful, warrior, tyrant, champion, chief, excel, giant, man, strong, valiant man*

VALOR: (*HEBREW-2428 Taken from root of 2342*) A force, (be it from men, means, or other[like God?]), an army, wealth, “VIRTUE”, VALOR, strength, able + activity, band of men, soldiers, great forces, goods, host, might, power, riches, strength, strong, substance, train + valiant, valor, virtuous, war, worthy. *

(FROM part of 2342): to be much sore, (troubled?), pained, rest, shake, shapen, be sorrowful, stay, tarry, travail (with pain), tremble, with trust, wait carefully, patiently, be wounded.*

*Doesn't this look like a description of repentance
that the Holy Spirit brings upon us
when He convicts us of sin,
and of righteousness, and judgment,
like in John 16:8? **

*And the power and might used to describe 'valor',
isn't it possible that this is a reference to the Holy Spirit,
because the Scripture says in one place:
"It's not by power and might, but by My Spirit"
says the Lord of hosts. Zechariah 4:6b**

So when we say the Ephesians 6:10 :

“I am strong in you Lord

and in the power of Your might”,

are we not saying that we are strong in the Holy Spirit,
the same Spirit that convicts us of sin, righteousness,
and judgment? *

Doesn't this say that I receive strongly the conviction of
the Holy Spirit and that I repent? I believe so. *

God told Joshua: “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” (Joshua 1:9)*

Likewise, in Joshua 10:25, Joshua told his valiant men: “Then Joshua said to them, “Do not be afraid, nor dismayed; be strong and of good courage, for thus the Lord will do to all your enemies against whom you fight.”*

Joshua called his warriors in Joshua 10:7, “**mighty men of valor**”.* However, the Gibeonites (Hivites) in Joshua 10:2, were referred to as just “**mighty men**”. * So what’s the difference between the “**mighty men**” of Canaan land and the “**mighty men of valor**” in Israel’s army?*

The symbolism of Joshua’s “**mighty men of valor**” who took up physical swords and killed actual people in mighty battles against human enemies is akin to today’s “**prayer warriors of valor**” who take up God’s sword, the “Word of God,” and use this spiritual sword to destroy the works of the devil(s) that torment us and try to keep us in spiritual bondage. *

The modern **“warrior of God”** has to be valiant in that, when conviction of the Holy Spirit comes upon him/her, that person has to **“face-up” to the area of conviction in their lives** that is shown to them, *
and confess it, repent it, expose it to the light, get rid of the iniquities, and be willing to cast out the demons involved, put in the Godly spirits, and to “walk-out” their deliverance in newness of life.*

**We are not to be dismayed
or afraid to confess
the areas that need cleansing.**
**We are called to not only confess our sins,
but to also pray for one another
that we may be healed. ***

**This is todays MIGHTY MAN OF VALOR.*
RETRAINING TODAYS ARMY OF GOD***

God trains us in the righteous way to live, and we have to overcome the training that the devil has taught us: Like, “Don’t ever tell someone else your faults or sins because they will think you are a bad person and you will be so ashamed. * And if you confess your sins, you will look “small” in their eyes, and they won’t like you or want to have anything to do with you.” **Lies, lies, lies!!!!**

The truth is that “they will respect you greatly for taking a Godly stand against the evil in your life.” You will be a WITNESS for Jesus Christ. *

You have been told and trained by the devil to put up a “good front” and never let people see your bad side, and that if you expose your faults to the light, that you will just condemn yourself and cause your own downfall. * These lies are so contrary to God’s Word and His instructions to us. The Lord would deliver us from the bondage of the devil. The Lord means us “good” and not evil. **When we expose our sins to the light, we are breaking the power those sins have over us, and we become children of the light, Sons and Daughters of God.***

This is why the Lord instructs us to be strong and of good courage, and to not be dismayed or afraid. **Sometimes it takes courage to confess the things that the devil has encouraged us to do. * It takes courage to say to God and others, “I take responsibility for the things that I have done that are against God. I was wrong to do the things that I have done”, and then name them in detail. ***

It takes “**courage and valor**”
for you to seek forgiveness from God
and others that you have wronged.

But when you do,
it yields the fruits of peace and joy
for having been obedient
to God’s commandments,
and it breaks the power of the devil over you.*

The first time I went to someone and asked their forgiveness for something that I had done wrong to them, my pride was so great that it was very, very hard for me to face them and ask them for forgiveness. * But it was very right for me to do it and God made me feel so relieved, so free, and to feel so good for doing it. The second time was much easier. And after the fourth and fifth time, I found myself running to those people that I needed forgiveness from. What relief and what joy God gave me for being obedient. *

I found out that God wanted me to have freedom from the bondage that I had gotten myself into. He was the one Who gave me the strength to face the sins that I had been trying to forget I had done. * He gave me the opportunity to be “**judged now**” so that I would not be **judged by Him later** in the hereafter, and thus lose some of my reward for not getting it right while I was on earth.

What blessings he had for me!!!*

It's the devil that comes to kill, steal, and destroy you.

DON'T LET HIM!!!! *

Jesus came to give us life, and life more abundantly.

EMBRACE LIFE. *

Don't let the enemy steal your life from you.

When you are shown the areas that need cleaning up,

go and get these things right. * Jesus can make it

just as if these wrongs never occurred.

He can make it where they have no power over you.

Be that Mighty Man/Woman of Valor IN the Lord.

Amen*