



Ring of Fire Ministries

Reflections

*He hath made every thing beautiful in his time:
also he hath set the world in their heart,
so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.*

Ecclesiastes 3:11

October 15, 2024

We have been *granted...*

His Holy Spirit to *guide* us,

His Word to *instruct* us,

His love to *empower* us.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil for He is with me. Thank You Lord Jesus for walking beside me each day!

October 29, 2024

PEACE...

The carnal mind is enmity against God, but we are to have the mind of Christ.

Jesus said,

"Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you." (John 14:27)

Have Peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

"Emmanuel, God with us." (Matthew 1:23)

"But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. And of some have compassion, making a difference: And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh."

(Jude 1:20-23)

November 7, 2024

Understanding to Discern Judgment

Jesus said...

“Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.” (John 7:24)

Those of The Spirit judge all things, but are judged of no man.
The things of the Spirit of God are spiritually discerned.

The Spirit of Truth is received in Spirit, by Faith, unseen, and not by sight.
Be Transformed by the Renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that
good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
Then The Lord God shall direct your paths, that you may discern between the
righteous and the wicked.

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.

May your Love of the Truth abound more and more in knowledge and in all judgment;
That you may approve things that are excellent; that you may be sincere
and without offence till the day of Christ.

November 12, 2024

Pray for a Soldier today... Past, Present, Future ~

May Jesus comfort and grant peace to all those who, by way of example, showed priceless honor to others, by the laying
down of their own lives in service to protect us all.

We, at Ring of Fire Ministries, honor you, pray for you, and praise the Lord for the heroic sacrifice you've made!

May the Lord bless you and keep you always in His loving care.

There is no greater love than to lay down your life for a friend... May we all follow in the courage you've displayed!

***“The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word
only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man,
Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.***

***When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great
faith, no, not in Israel. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with
Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer
darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou
hast believed, so be it done unto thee. And his servant was healed in the selfsame hour.”***

(Matthew 8:8-13)

November 18, 2024

Fruit of the Faithful...

A good testimony, with understanding to offer a more excellent sacrifice to God, being a witness that He is righteous. Not seeing death but being pleasing to God, who rewards those who diligently seek Him.

Being set free from the pleasures of sin, choosing instead to suffer with the people of God, being void of fear and complaint; not fearing wrath but enduring and passing through safely.

When the enemy comes to surround, the walls of their devices will be cast down, and you will not perish but have The Peace of God that subdues the kingdoms of darkness with righteous works. Obtaining the promises that have been spoken over you, stopping the mouths of those who seek to devour, quenching all violence, escaping death by the sword they carry, in your weakness you are made strong, valiant in battles, victorious to overcome; the armies of the enemy will run from you being a witness of the dead raised back to Life in your life.

“And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.”

(Revelation 22:12-13)

November 24, 2024

Be Sealed in the Whole Armor of God...

Obey and Honor the Lord God, and do not provoke others to wrath.

Train and raise with admonition, in the Love of God, being obedient to those placed over you who watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

Have a sincere heart, doing the Will of God from the heart, in unseen service unto The Lord, not seeking man's temporary reward, and God shall reward you openly; understanding the eternal work you do is returned back to you from The Lord, and not from man.

As a leader do not threaten but reward as Jesus would, knowing your master is in heaven, do not show partiality or favoritism; for God is no respecter of person.

Be strong in The Lord only, and not in self, knowing all power and might is found in God and not self.

Wear the whole Armor of God to stand against the wiles of the devil and the cunning methods the enemy uses through people to carry out his schemes to manipulate others; comprehending that there is a host of darkness indwelling and oppressing people, and that is the real enemy, not flesh and blood. These influences cause people to become a casualty of the war between light and darkness that resides within them. Keep Hope and Faith alive always, knowing that in a blink someone can repent and be cleansed, changing course from being a worker of iniquity to a worker of light.

But most assuredly I say to you, there are workers of iniquity, and you cannot withstand evil in you, or at you, alone. Only with Jesus is the enemy defeated by standing in His Truth, His Righteousness, sharing and living out the Gospel of Peace with God through Jesus Christ, sanctified by Faith in His Salvation, abiding in the Word of God, taking up your cross daily to follow Jesus, praying always in communion with Jesus, for He is the Daily Bread and Water of Life that you live, and move, and breathe in.

Remain watchful always, sharing with others the Mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of Glory; shining as a light of His Gospel in your life, as a living sacrifice, responding to others in the Love of God as Jesus Loves you; speaking boldly the Truth in Jesus, without the fear of man, being not ashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Be made Whole in Christ, for you cannot wear God's Armor and your own, you lay down your own and put on Christ, wearing the Whole Armor of God, for He will have no other god beside Him.

God resists the proud and gives grace to the humble; you cannot defeat the adversary in your pride or the power of your own force. Die to self so the devil has nothing in you to cling to, surrender to God, then resist the devil and he will flee.

***"Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed."
(John 6:27)***

***"If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision, that the law of Moses should not be broken; are ye angry at me, because I have made a man every whit whole on the sabbath day?"
(John 7:23)***

***"And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption."
(Ephesians 4:30)***

December 1, 2024

A Prepared Heart... Will you be made whole?

Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: And see if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

As a new creature in Christ, grows in The Lord, wholehearted and faithful; being steadfast, unwavering, and unmovable. Ask, and it shall be given to you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you, as you search for Him with all your whole heart.

Jesus prepares a place for you, that Christ may dwell in your heart by faith; in an honest and good heart, having heard the Word, keep it, and bring forth His good fruit with patience. Resting with Peace in God, be made wholehearted in forgiveness, in His perfect Love; made free of bitterness, guile, and vengeance, no longer seeking evil for evil but trusting The Lord God does all things perfectly in His way, timing, and Godly order.

May Jesus be on the throne of your heart, being rooted and grounded in love, comprehending with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; and to know the love of Christ, which reveals knowledge, that you might be filled with all the fulness of God; that He may receive you unto Himself; that where He is, there you may be also.

In your patience possess your soul; bringing forth the fruit of the Spirit, which is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

***"A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you. And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you."
(John 16:21-23)***

***"Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God."
(Romans 8:27)***

Be instant, always...

Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season;
without ceasing or falling away from the Truth of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asks you a reason of the hope that is in you, with meekness and reverence of The Lord.

Jesus is the door, enter and be saved, so you may go in and out, and find pasture in He that is Holy, He that is True, He that has the key of David, He that opens, and no man shuts; and shuts, and no man opens.

Reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.

Watch in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of your ministry. Having a good conscience; so when they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ. These are they who fall away, being sown among thorns; who hear the word, and the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

Do not dwell on the earthly temporal things of this world, but dwell in the heavenly, being of those which are sown on good ground; who hear the word, and receive it, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred. These desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he has prepared for them a city.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ: And has raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might establish the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

For the end of all things is at hand: be sober, and watch unto prayer.
And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins; for we are to love one another as Christ has loved us, and by this we are made known.

“Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. 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. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.”
(Matthew 5:13-16)

“And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.”
(John 14:3)

“Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.”
(John 14:17)

December 30, 2024

from Season to Season...

Be transformed, step by step, day by day, always pressing forward;
coming out of the Body of Babylon and into the Body of Christ.

We are growing inside the womb to be delivered as a New Creature in Christ; renewed in a right Spirit and restored in a clean Heart, called by His Name, chosen, upright, and Faithful.

Inside the womb of Babylon's captivity there are times and seasons for all things. Grace and Mercy give all space to grow, learn, and hear the call for repentance. As we Hear and Follow the calling of The Voice of The Lord Jesus, we are no longer looking behind but plowing forward into the glorious Liberty of the children of God, through full deliverance, being made whole by the Mystery of this Hope within us of the Gospel of Christ Jesus.

As we no longer desire the pleasure of Babylon's sins for a season, we choose to suffer with Christ instead. We may wrestle in the womb for a season and time while coming out of her way as we say...
" yes Lord Jesus, remove them forever from within us."

Ecclesiastes 3:1

"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:"

Romans 12:2

***"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."***

Ephesians 5:7-10

***"Be not ye therefore partakers with them. For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)
Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord."***

January 12, 2025

Examine Your Faith...Who do you say Jesus is to you?

We must be honest with ourselves, about ourselves, in what we actually believe and share with others. Are we building up Faith or tearing it down, cultivating an atmosphere of deep trust or doubt. Do we question His Sovereignty when in the face of adversity?

Jesus is Lord, Son of the Living God, and the Living God is alive and active, involved, and alive within you. Jesus is the Prince of Peace, He is Peace, and as our Lord we have His Peace alive and working.

As Jesus is building His church we know and trust that inside it no evil can prevail against it. Each member gathering within His Body knows Him as Ruling and Reigning Lord of their life. These are given the keys of His Kingdom where death has no sting, fear is replaced by Perfect Love, and iniquity is burned away into ashes.

This is Freedom, given in Christ Jesus, to be in this world but not of it, and definitely not moved by it. Especially concerning evil, and our response to it either reflects His Majesty or it does not. Does your response preach the Gospel of Peace placing all Hope in God, or does your response preach fear and confusion that places evil above the Living God in your life?

Examine your own responses to situations and the cares of this world. What are you meditating on daily? Are you sober in Christ or drunk on this world by what you are consuming the most and housing within your spirit. Your Faith is either growing in The Lord or being hindered and choked if you are drowning in the cares of this world that come like a flood seeking whom it may devour.

What you meditate on, what you put your attention to, is what matters the most to you, daily. What you spend your time on the most is what you worship, and what you worship is what you are lifting up to rule over you. Is your response to this world reflecting how Jesus responds to the world, and is the response to others reflecting how Jesus responds to us?

When Jesus is Lord to you then Victory is shared to you and to others and the God of Peace shall be with you. You will be anxious for nothing as you remain sober and vigilant always considering the fullness of **who Jesus is to you...**

Saviour, Redeemer, Good Shepherd, Son of Man, Righteous Branch, True Vine, Spiritual Rock, High Priest Forever, Immanuel God with us, Fountain of Living Waters, Bread of Life, Lamb of God, Word of God, The Lord, Creator, Son of the Living God, Only Begotten Son, Beloved Son, Holy One of Israel, Dayspring, Wonderful, Counsellor, The Mighty God, The Everlasting Father, The I AM, The Prince of Peace, The Bright and Morning Star, King of kings and Lord of lords, Alpha and Omega, The First and The Last.

“And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.”
(Luke 22:31-32)

“For your obedience is come abroad unto all men. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet I would have you wise unto that which is good, and simple concerning evil. And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.”
(Romans 16:19-20)

“Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice. Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.”
(Philippians 4:4-8)

January 26, 2025

The fear of The Lord...

What we give Glory and Honor to, in sincere reverence, is also what we fear the most, and holds the most power over us.

True wisdom, and understanding, is found in the knowledge of The Lord Jesus Christ ...that He is above all, in all Glory, Honor, Power and Dominion.

At times we may profess His goodness and majesty but fail Him in our actions that follow. We may start to place the fear of other things above His Words of Promise, finding ourselves like the man on the cross next to Jesus who only wanted Jesus to get him out of the situation; unlike the other man who endured through the situation and gave all reverence to Jesus, even above death itself.

Demonstrations come to remind us, to instill the Fear of the Lord within us.

We may stumble many times through the trials of our Faith. This keeps us always looking to The Lord Jesus as the finisher, not falling away in the stumbling, we look to Jesus and He keeps us from falling away. He teaches us that before honor is humility, and in true humbleness is great wisdom.

The Faithful did not escape the trials but went through them with Jesus, following His Words, and holding their Faith to the end. They did not escape the wilderness, fiery furnace, the lion den, or even death. They were cast into them, but remained faithful inside them, and were fully delivered through them. Now afterward they can strengthen the brethren, being used as a witness, making manifest the Awesome Mighty Power of The Lord God on High, even to the kings of this world below.

Jesus said to take up your cross daily and follow Him, for this is the Way of escape, even the escape from all fear of this world and things of it, walking into full deliverance, as an overcomer. Perfect Love casts out all fear when inside His Words of Promise, because fear has torment, and Jesus did not leave us alone to be left with torment, for He is with us, always, even to the end.

A complete work is when we follow Him, do as He says to do, and He delivers us out of the hand of all that seeks to rule and reign over us. Jesus lifts us up so we may be where He is, in His Dominion, far above all powers and principalities below.

2 is better than 1, and with Jesus standing in our midst how can anything hold power over Him? We are first sent out 2 by 2, as witnesses of Christ Jesus within us, of One Accord. Each in their part, for what one part lacks the other part stands in the gap to fill, and together we continue into the fullness of the whole Body, eagerly waiting for the day when the remnant of all parts are gathered together as One fold, One Body, becoming One in the fullness of time, that we all may be One, when The Lord God declares it to be finished.

The world will believe after they see, but blessed are you who believe by Faith without fully seeing, being found in the Body by Faith in Jesus, enduring to suffer with Him, so you may also rule and reign with HIM.

***“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.”
(Proverbs 9:10)***

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

***“And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.”
(John 14:16-17)***

***“Wherefore I say unto you, All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men: but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.”
(Matthew 12:31)***

***“But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.”
(Matthew 18:16)***

“For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God? 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. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater: for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son. 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. And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.”
(1 John 5:4-12)

February 3, 2025

Dwelling in Peace... knowing You Are Loved

When we expect perfection in “self”, we may place that same burden upon others.

Entering into God’s Rest, into the Place Jesus prepared for us to dwell, is Peace with God that makes us whole, perfect, no longer weighed down under the heavy burdens of seeking peace of perfection in this world.

Only through Jesus can we be made whole, perfected in the Love of God, as our Redeemer; saving us from eternal death, freeing us from bondage, moving us from exile to dwelling in the family of God, abiding in His Kingdom, and not in the world’s anymore.

Taking our eyes off everything but Jesus, trusting Him, seeking Him, asking for His comfort, we then wait and watch for His work to be done, and not our own. If we ask, we watch, and in patience we wait for it, not falling away in unbelief, but found watching, enduring, believing, and found in Faith when He returns, even though He may tarry.

Love is why He saves us, and His compassion is imprinted into our lives that changes us from the inside out. Once we seek Him with our whole heart He goes to work in us, and His compassion moves in our lives to affect the change designed for us since birth; for He has a plan that cannot be altered for each of His own.

**The Good Seed is God’s Truth, and The Word of God is the Way to Life.
The tares are the seed of the wicked one, and the liar is a murderer, and leads to death.**

Offenses come in many ways, even our own, especially when seeking to be honored in this world by others. Let all demands go so Jesus receives all the Honor. Plant seeds, water seeds, and let The Lord God’s work prevail, not seeking our own works to be the finisher of people’s Faith, trying to rise our own work above God’s.

Remove the plank of ego and self in our own eyes, of wanting our own will to be done. Surrender to Jesus and let Him remove the plank of self will and perception of others and ourselves.

At times we may ask the Father to take this cup from us, but we continue in His Word saying not our Will be done, but The Father’s Will be done. In this we learn that it is no great thing to Love those who love you, for the Greater Work is loving others as Jesus loves us, without seeking recognition, in a sincere heart, even towards those who curse you and spitefully use and abuse you, showing no partiality, Love in Perfect Love as Jesus Loves us.

Let go of our will to be done and walk in The Will of God.
Stop questioning The Lord, rather surrender that His Will is Perfect, and be found inside it.

“Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.” (Matthew 5:48)

***"Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear."
(Matthew 13:43)***

***"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us."
(1 John 1:9-10)***

"He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him." (1 John 2:4-5)

"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?" (1 John 4:20)

"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." (1 John 5:10)

"He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death." (Revelation 21:7-8)

February 10, 2025

Wisdom, A Divine set up...

It takes healing and wholeness to see the fingerprints of God in your life. Restoration is receiving the understanding that all things have been purposed to work together for the good of those who Love God in Christ Jesus. May The Lord give us eyes to see and ears to hear the wisdom of The Lord that we may continue unto this understanding.

The wisdom of this world below is foolishness with God. Seek the wisdom from above, in the Word of God, that you may see and hear from The Lord directly by His Word through the Holy scriptures. In the volume of The Book it is written of Him, blessed are those who hear and keep it.

Do not seek short cuts, looking after words from others, trying to go up another way first. Tarry in His Word with your own eyes and ears. Seek His Kingdom first, then you may go out and strengthen and be strengthened by others in the foundation you now stand upon, the unmovable rock of The Gospel of The Kingdom of Jesus Christ our Lord.

As you hear the Word, keep it with you always and you will start to see it every day in your life, and in the lives of others. Continue in The Word daily that your path may be established according to The Will of The Lord, as His Light of Truth opens to you more and more, and guides you in The Way forward.

***"To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."
(Luke 1:79)***

We are called to go out with the Gospel of His Kingdom, housing within us His Eternal Flame, that we may shine His Light out and do as He called us to do, being found in it, and enduring with all patience.

“And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!”

(Romans 10:15)

Those who are antichrist do not have the Mind of Christ but have the mind of this world. They sow and reap seeds that oppose the Word of God and stand against the Promise of the Father in Jesus Christ. These go out seeking to hinder understanding and take away the knowledge of God, causing many to fall away to other doctrines of devils that seek to steal, kill, and destroy your Peace in God through Christ Jesus.

“Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us. But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things. I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth. Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.”

(1 John 2:18-22)

As you continue in His Word, walking it out daily, you follow Jesus and maintain sobriety in the Renewal of your Mind by the Peace of Jesus in your life. Do not become drunk on things of this world, but remain sober in the Mind of Christ, being found faithful in your trust that He is your Place of Rest.

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

(Ephesians 4:14-16)

Jesus breaks the iron yoke of captivity of this world, making us free from the oppressor and its heavy burden of iniquity with no way of escape. By entering Covenant with Jesus, He moves us from death to life, removing the iron yoke and placing His yoke upon our neck instead. We cannot have two yokes, a marriage covenant is One, and we shall have no other gods beside Him, lest we be found in fornication.

Examine your Faith, that you may stand upright in it, made free, no longer weighed down under the yokes of this world, found in mixture or unequally yoked, even in your own mind and belief, wavering in your own Faith.

Be fully set free and made whole in Christ Jesus, as One Body, One yoke, with your Whole Heart, for His Wisdom is Divine and set apart, Holy.

“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

(Matthew 11:28-30)

It's About Jesus ~ Choose the Narrow Path

God gives us time and opportunities to change our ways, to choose a better way. It is God's very nature because He is our Heavenly Father, Who truly desires our good outcome. He gives us freewill to get banged up and even break a few bones by following our own desires, thoughts and belief systems, in hopes we figure out our way is not the best way. He quietly offers another pathway that is unlike the ways of this world. In the book of Matthew Chapter 7, Jesus teaches us that there are two paths to choose from in this world. There is a world pathway, that many follow readily and it's often well-travelled. And then there is another path, a path few take, few choose.

(Matthew 7:13-14) Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in there at: 14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Few choose the pathway Jesus sets before us, because the world's path is so much more desirable to our eyes. The prince of this world tells us to feed our desires and take the worldly pathway. Jesus offers another pathway. All throughout the whole entire process we call our life here, we are learning and growing and choosing which path with every thought and deed. We can see that Ephesians 2 is actively playing out this very day in each of our lives.

(Ephesians 2:4-10) But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us. Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus: That in the ages to come he might shew the exceeding riches of his grace in his kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

God sent His Word (Jesus) in human flesh to be the manifestation of His love for us. Jesus was born not of the nobility that the people were seeking. They were looking for a fierce strong king to come and subdue the kingdom and release those in bondage with great force. Instead, a babe was born in humble surroundings with a quiet announcement the rest of the world overlooked, save some shepherds and 3 wise men. He didn't come with a grand entrance and proclamation for all the world to be awestruck of such nobility and wealth as Kings would do who were of noble means. Everything about Jesus was easily overlooked because the people had it in their minds how their King would show up, and as a result, they missed it and for much of His life, they also missed the signs of his nobility. Today, there is a churning in us. A knowing that time is very short, and our Lord's coming is soon and very soon. He tells us in *Matthew 24 it will be like the days of Noah, people going about their normal ways*. They were taken by surprise when the flood came. The end of time will be like that. Jesus tells us to keep watch for His coming and not get lazy falling into old habits thinking He won't come yet. The time we have right now to get ourselves ready, is a huge gift from God, allowing each of us this precious time to finish up loose ends and be sure our walk with Christ is sound and firmly planted in Him. Jesus is the gift and its better than any gift you can ever hope for. He is waiting and ready for all to accept Him and forgive and surrender to His love and His process. Choosing to take the narrow gate is the best choice we can ever make. It's not always the easiest pathway, but worth it in the long run. Jesus is the Greatest Gift we could ever long for. A Gift that will have lasting effects on us eternally. It's up to us to choose Him. For some of us, it may mean a recommitment of our faith and repentance of our backslidden ways. For others, it may be choosing Jesus for the very first time. Today is the day! Start right now! Tomorrow is not promised for any of us.

Lord thank You for touching the hearts of those who read this letter. Let Your perfect will be done in their lives. This is my prayer for you. Precious Savior let me never underestimate or take for granted this time You granted. Never let me forget the mercy, love and grace You poured out to me. Show me the darkness that still resides in me that it be removed forever, as nothing of darkness will survive in Your glorious light. I want to be found in You Jesus. Help me to walk in Your ways, for my ways are not righteous and they are tainted with world beliefs from the prince of this world. I want to be more like You Jesus and less like me. It is in my heart's desire to serve You by shining the light of a lamp to this world so they can find You too. May the blessings and gift that Jesus is touch your heart and work mightily in your life. Amen

May we not lose heart... Let not your heart be troubled

At times we may feel surrounded by darkness, overwhelmed by trials and afflictions, even fearful of the chaos that seems to be rising around us. When our focus turns to the roaring waves we may lose sight of Jesus for a moment and start to sink into the water. Do not let your heart be troubled, for Jesus stretches out His hand and lifts us up, even in our moments of little Faith, for His Mercy endures forever to those who Love His appearing.

“Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall he not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith? Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.”
(Matthew 6:30-34)

Can our Faith rest in Him if we do not understand, or see how He can provide for us, or even deliver us? What if He does tarry even longer so that no one can understand it, and by sight of this world we seem forsaken; will our Faith remain if He does not come in the time or way expected?

“Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. 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. 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.”
(John 14:1-3)

What if we are not saved from the furnace but thrown into it? Will we remain Faithful to be delivered through it instead?

These outward trails are temporary but through the pressing they produce in us the precious oil of a testimony of Faith in Him that shines forth an Eternal Flame that shall never leave us or forsake us. His Flame is greater than even the hottest of furnaces below, for He has overcome the world, that we may obtain Salvation in Christ Jesus with Eternal Glory.

“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.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us. We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; 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.

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. So then death worketh in us, but life in you. We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak; Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you.

For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God. For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.”

(2 Corinthians 4:6-18)

What is within us is what we draw upon, dwell with, and is where our treasure is; for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. As we seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, we walk by Faith and not by sight and we endure to the end. The Lord does not fail us, for His Love in us keeps our hearts from failing, waxing cold, and running out of oil.

“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, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: 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: Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.”
(1 Peter 1:3-9)

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Wholehearted through Forgiveness

We cannot change a heart, but God can, and it all starts with us offering Him our own.
The meaning of “wholehearted” is to be complete, full, having integrity, perfect, whole; blameless.
“Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.” (Matthew 5:48)
Does this seem impossible to you?

Our God is the God of impossible things made possible. Jesus forgives us, it is a gift we receive with Joy, and this Love received within us is to pour out to others, freely, that we may Love others perfectly.

“And I will give them an heart to know me, that I am the Lord: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.” (Jeremiah 24:7)

Have you received this heart from God, that the Love of God is within you towards others?

Do you understand what Jesus did at the Cross? We were sinners, enemies to God, but the Love of Jesus showed us mercy by paying the price for all, making The Way to forgive all, that we may be made whole.

“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.” (Colossians 1:20)

Are you quick to forgive, to Love others as He Loves you; or do you struggle finding this to be a burden too heavy for you, or at times impossible? Maybe you are trying to forgive and reconcile everything, and everyone, to yourself instead? That would be a burden none can endure. Jesus made what was once too heavy to now be easy and light. He took upon Himself the heavy burden of reconciliation, paid the price to forgive us all, as the Lamb of God to take away the sin of the whole world, making a Way where there once was no way, Jesus made the Way for us to follow Him to The Father, and be reconciled.

It is simple, Jesus forgives us, and we forgive others, and as we continue in His Love, the Father forgives us, and we receive Peace with God. Reconciled to God through Jesus, and the work of God and Will of the Father gives the increase afterward. It is not of your power to reconcile the world, but it is in your power to Love and Forgive all and be reconciled to Jesus, and He in turn reconciles all things to Himself, and it all works together perfectly. ***“For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.” (Matthew 6:14-15)***

Do you feel empty of this Love toward others, or powerless to preform it? If you are seeking more measure than God has gifted you to preform, then you place heavy burdens upon yourself and others, falling into the desires of your own ways and timing deceiving yourself, and others.

“Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life”. (Proverbs 4:23)

What are the issues of your heart?

“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. 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. And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?” (Luke 6:44-46)

Do you sit powerless, not able to do what The Lord said to do? Or perhaps your heart is full of God’s Love and forgiveness towards others, but you receive no reconciliation in return from them, so you feel defeated, and overcome by others who do not Love you back in the way and timing you desire. Do you start to doubt God, falling into unbelief, not able to wait and endure to the end, trusting that He will finish the work He has started, in His Will and timing, not your own? Will you remain in Faith, and wait for God’s Will to be done, or do you grow weary and fall short of this? Or worse, fall into torment? ***“Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee? And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him. So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.” (Matthew 18:33-35)***

May we receive wisdom to know the difference between forgiveness and reconciliation, in The Lord’s leading and not our own desires. May we rest in the work of Jesus, it is His hand, not ours, that holds all power to change a heart or harden a heart, for the Will of The Father to be done. Jesus’ love is greater than all things and His Mercy endures forever.

“Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.” (Hebrews 4:16) Are you seeking to obtain mercy, not just for you, but for others to obtain it as well? What do you seek after and ask for? Are you seeking power from The Father without doing as Jesus commanded you to do towards others first? ***“Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O Lord: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me. For innumerable evils have compassed me about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of mine head: therefore my heart faileth me. Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me: O Lord, make haste to help me.” (Psalm 40:11-13)*** Pray in a heart of forgiveness and humility, always seeking to obtain mercy for you, and others, that God may change a heart, and perfect yours.

“And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.” (Matthew 24:4)

Take heed that we do not deceive ourselves, following others, or even the old man of self. Let us not fall away to our own lust and desires that blind us to see the evil of our own heart and ways. Accusers are full of unforgiveness that lead many into merciless wolves that seek to devour and destroy all given over to them. Deceivers sow discord and gather others that are led astray by the same lust, blinded by their own self-righteousness. These are not of God, have no mercy or Love of God within them, but fall away and worship something else.

You will know them by their fruit, or lack of it. ***“Take heed to yourselves, that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other gods, and worship them; And then the Lord’s wrath be kindled against you, and he shut up the heaven, that there be no rain, and that the land yield not her fruit; and lest ye perish quickly from off the good land which the Lord giveth you.” (Deuteronomy 11:16-17)*** Be not deceived by the provocations that lead many astray into temptations of serving their own will and desires. Broad is the way of destruction, but Narrow is The Way, Truth and Life only found through and in our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us and rose again on the third day that we may have Life in Him.

God’s Love through Jesus lifts up, encourages, and His sheep hear His voice and follow in His Love and forgiveness, doing as The Lord commanded them to do. As Jesus walks, we walk and follow. Forgiveness, discernment, and reconciliation are gifts from above and all Power and Glory is given to The Lamb of God in Jesus Christ our Lord, for ever and ever, amen.

“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; And that he might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby: And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh. For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.” (Ephesians 2:15-18)

Faith in a pure conscience... with an understanding heart

Is your conscience void of offence towards God, and towards man; or do you feel stuck in offences with no way of escape?

Offences will come... have come and continue to come.

Are you easily upset or disheartened by the actions or words of others, causing resentment and bitterness? ***"Then said he unto the disciples, It is impossible but that offences will come: but woe unto him, through whom they come!" (Luke 17:1)*** A lack of forgiveness leads to a negative attitude towards others, and bitterness is the root of wormwood within your own heart. Offences can be a type of trap, surrounding you in temptations and sins that ensnare; they are like vipers that bite the heel, so the rider falls backwards. ***"And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved." (Matthew 24:12-13)*** Jesus said to not be deceived but be delivered from evil. Do not take the bait of temptations, for many come and set the bait, but woe to those who do this. Be not deceived by others and be not led astray by offences into temptation to do evil for evil. Release and do not be ensnared to entertain evil, but be delivered from it, for Jesus makes the Way of escape so you are not taken away by these things in the world, but you are delivered from them. ***"Do all things without murmurings and disputings: 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; Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain."***
(Philippians 2:14-16)

Do not seek to take matters into your own hands, being offended or causing offence. Do not take the bait or set bait for another to be trapped with, but have the Peace Jesus gives in the Mind of Christ and not your own mind that seeks to force peace in this world by your own ways and understandings. ***"For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them."*** ***(Matthew 13:15)*** Understand the season and continue through it. Do not sit down or fall backwards into wormwood through doubt and unbelief, endure and continue to Follow Jesus as your Faith endures the test of time.

Our heart is the most valuable possession and the enemy knows this, do we? Are you being sifted by the enemy but cannot find a way of escape yet? We are all sifted as wheat but as Jesus told Peter...after you are healed you will strengthen others, when your Faith endures and does not fail. Know where you are, in your season, so that after you endure you may wait for the Promise of The Father, being found in your unfailing Faith in Jesus. ***"And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren."*** ***(Luke 22:31-32)***

The greatest gift and work we can offer The Lord God is to give Him our whole heart so that our Faith in Jesus remains. Seeds are sown within our heart, and from it all things grow up and out. What seeds are within your heart, planted, and growing? What are you watering them with? Are you wasting your peace and time in the cares of this world below instead of seeking peace in things above? Do you have power over these things below or are these things below trampling over you instead? ***"Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven."*** ***(Luke 10:19-20)***

Who and what is filling your abode, your dwelling place within, and what do you cover yourself with daily? We are to put on the Breastplate that guards our heart, and the Shield of Faith that covers it all. Do you have all the Armor of God, in Truth, or are you missing parts, or wearing strange garments? Are you covering others or exposing them through your

nakedness and teaching ways of evil? Repent, time is short. May you have the covering of Jesus that is the unmovable foundation, from your feet to your head, where you put on Christ, not just lip service but wearing all the Armor and walking in it. ***"Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak."*** (Ephesians 6:13-20) Do not harden your own heart thinking that is your covering, letting man deceive you through the influences they are under causing the love of many to fail by turning hearts to stone. Let The Lord cover you in His Garment, His Breastplate of Righteousness, so your heart of flesh may endure behind His covering, kept open to receive the eternal water of life that never fails or dries up, with a covering that endures forever. ***"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them."*** (Ezekiel 36:25-27)

If your heart feels cold, dark, and failing, maybe it's due to your own covering or focusing too much on self, or another's failures, or what the enemy is doing? Are you more concerned about tomorrow instead of today? Do worries drown you and make your understanding darkened by looking after what others are doing or not doing, or what the evil in this world is doing? We are to walk in The Spirit, by Faith not by sight of this world. ***"Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God."*** (John 3:3) We answer to The Lord only, we are proven to Him, in His sight and not in others. ***"Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me."*** (Psalm 51:10) Stop fighting battles of flesh toward others that The Lord never told us to fight in the first place. Cast down all imaginations and self-desires, surrender and follow The Lord's calling He has for you, in your part. Stop looking at others and all the other parts. What is that to you? As Jesus said, follow Him, and the rest will be revealed in His time. ***"Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do? Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me."*** (John 21:21-22)

The Spirit of Truth will lead you unto all Truth, and in time you will consider all things perfectly, and you will lack nothing. Jesus knows all things, below and above, and He will show you all things to come. The Tree of Life is above all. You will understand all Truth in time, even the truth of all the enemy, but seek The Lord on High for the Truth, not the world for it, and do not lean to your own understanding. For now, we only see in part, so focus on your own part and measure in The Lord so that He may grant you more, afterward. ***"But Jesus said, Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me. For he that is not against us is on our part. For whosoever shall give you a cup of water to drink in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he shall not lose his reward."*** (Mark 9:39-41) Let offences go, lay it all down, lay your own will and desires down and The Lord will make you free, born again, of the incorruptible seed of The Word of God who makes us clean, new and upright by His breath of Life through His Word of Promise. You will not be left alone or empty of the Word for He will come to you and fill you with His Word and Promise and you will not be left desolate; no famine of the Word of God will be in your dwelling place. ***"Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained."*** (John 20:21-23)

A heart of flesh is alive, a stoney heart is cold and dead. A living heart is a living sacrifice infused in His power and is not by our own power. We never forget our first love by never forgetting how He delivered us and made The Way of escape for us into a clean heart. We eat His Word and meditate on it always, then all the things may be given to us that is needed. The Truth of us cannot be hidden, it will come out of the abundance of our heart. As a tree planted by a river it

will flourish. What river are you planted by? What soil are your roots feeding from and what land are you dwelling in? The storm comes upon all, will you be moved by it or planted firmly? As we grow, we learn. May we have a sound mind to be called Sons (children of God), blameless, no longer rebellious children tossed by the raging waves of the sea. Reflect on The Lord's Work in you, see how much you have grown, so that you may see the Kingdom of God and rejoice in it.

"For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance." (Hebrews 9:13-15)

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Wise or foolish heart, teachable or hardened?

The Word of God goes out to all the world, and many consider it in their own minds, by the letter.

Some argue over it, some reject it, and others steal from it by their own understanding to think to rule over it.

Few receive and accept The Word of God simply to learn of the Father in Truth. Even fewer continue in The Word by laying down their own mind, so that afterward, The Word of God may rule by His Holy Spirit, and not their own.

"The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly." (John 10:10)

Those that keep the Word in Spirit and Truth have laid down their own mind, their own will of life, that they may be granted the Mind of Christ to rule in His Life. This union now springs forth roots that break through the wall of captivity and pass into a prepared heart, open to receive. This is the good soil that brings forth fruit of His Holy Spirit, in One mind and heart, no longer divided or wavering. These are known by their fruit made manifest by The Father who gives the increase. ***"And the Lord thy God will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live." (Deuteronomy 30:6)***

Are you still trying to rend your outward garments instead of allowing The Lord God to come inward to an open and prepared heart? Or maybe you have laid it all down with a repentant heart, but your roots are malnourished and withering, leaving you powerless inside fallow ground, bearing no fruit? Fallow ground is plowed and ready for sowing but sits waiting, is unused, lacking seed to grow anything, so lays useless and unproductive even though outwardly it looks to be good soil, prepared for planting. ***"Jesus saith unto her, Woman, believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father. Ye worship ye know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him." (John 4:21-23)***

We receive The Word of God within prepared soil so that the Word may enter our heart and remain, kept, planted with deep and good roots. Then we may go out, afterward, and share the fruit the Father makes manifest for us and with others also. But some leave their prepared ground unused and go out and think to sow seed on the thorn-choked ground and in turn become choked as well. ***"This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me." (Matthew 15:8)*** Are you neglecting the field Jesus prepared for you to sow into, but instead going out to other fields trying to plant seeds in their soil instead? The Word of God may be in the mouth and on the lips of many, but if the words that you exchange with others keep hearts hardened then you may want to come out of that field and consider your own again. What type of fruit are you expecting to yield or exchange? ***"A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man keepeth it in till afterwards." (Proverbs 29:11)*** Many tempt and snare others to exchange

words with their words, planting all kinds of seeds together into all kinds of places thinking to force fruit that way, by their own mind, leaning on their own understanding. ***“They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wit’s end. Then they cry unto the Lord in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses. He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still. Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.” (Psalm 107:27-30)*** Others present their field as good soil by outward appearance only, but inward are unfruitful works of darkness, leaving all empty, famished, void of the fruit of The Spirit, having no fruit that remains in the end. ***“Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.” (Jude 1:13)***

The fruit of the Spirit reveals the hearts of all, making known who are One with The Holy Spirit and who are not, by the manifestation of their fruit. As Jesus said, you will be known by your fruit, how you Love one another, how you do what He said to do, how you forgive and Love as He Loves, seeking only The Father to give the increase as He draws, gathers, and reconciles all perfectly. ***“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.” (Galatians 5:22-23)*** ***“Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away.” (1 Corinthians 13:4-8)***

Your own mind may think to know what is right, but in the end you still end up walking in error. You may call Jesus Lord, even honor and confess Him as Lord, but you are not able to do what He said, finding yourself powerless to do it. What does your heart believe upon and rest upon? If both are not aligned in His Truth then we hold no power to do as Jesus said. ***“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.” (Romans 10:9)*** And if we call Him Lord but do not what He said before others then we deny Him before others, and Jesus will deny us before the heavenly Angels to keep charge over us, that we may receive help in a time of need. ***“Also I say unto you, Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also confess before the angels of God: But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.” (Luke 12:8-9)***

If you battle in your mind, wavering, still fighting with your own carnal mind, thinking to do good but having no power to endure and perform it, then you can see “where you are” in Truth, and the part we may be lacking in Truth, and Turn to The Lord God and rend your heart and not your garments. Seek after The Lord with your whole heart in true repentance that He may grant you a circumcised heart so the comforter may come to cover and guard you now in His Love and all Truth, sanctified by your Faith in Jesus.

“Come, and let us return unto the Lord: for he hath torn, and he will heal us; he hath smitten, and he will bind us up. After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth.” (Hosea 6:1-3)

May you be made whole by remaining teachable, receiving of the Spirit of Truth, who reproves all who are taught of God and not man, no longer divided in heart and mind, wavering back and forth between your own understanding, your own will and desires, and the imaginations of your heart. ***“For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.” (Romans 2:28-29)***

If you call Jesus Lord then you do as He said, and the mysteries of The Kingdom are granted to you, from Glory to Glory, from servant to friend. We do not go up another way. We do as He said and we wait for Him, and He grants us this Life in Him. An open and teachable heart is a gift of God to you and his promise to you, to understand with your heart. This type of understanding is not something you can earn, it is a gift from God, given to all who follow Him in Spirit and in Truth.

“And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.” (Luke 8:10)

We have all fallen short, in seasons and times. Search your own heart...

“Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.” (Luke 8:11-15)

Are the roots of your heart flowing with the water of life that washes and cleans so that what springs forth brings you into life and more abundantly? The Spirit is willing but the flesh is weak, and even our heart can seem weak and fail us in fear, or desires of our own hearts can be evil, even though our mind is upon the Lord our heart can wander at times or grow cold, quench and grieve the Holy Spirit and become hardened, fall away from Faith in Jesus. If we find we are standing a far off, even though we profess The Lord and in our mind, but our heart seems far from Him, let us repent and return to the Lord that He may return to us, so that when He returns He may fill us and renew and restore, when He comes and finds within us a heart open to receive His circumcision.

“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. 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.” (John 6:44-45)

May 23, 2025

The children of The Kingdom, their fellow servants and brethren...

Angels are given charge over the children of The Kingdom, as fellow servants and brethren, and even desire to look into those things of Salvation, through Faith in Christ Jesus.

“Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.” (1 Peter 1:12)

John did not understand all he was shown in the Revelation of Jesus Christ, but he was a faithful messenger to deliver it. He did not have to understand it all to give the message out in obedience. He also did not do everything right when receiving the message but received correction through it. ***“And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God. And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.” (Revelation 19:9-10)***

John even marveled at some things he was shown until The Angel of The Lord reveals the truth of all things, and some parts made John sick in the belly. Even Daniel felt this way at some of what he was shown, also not understanding it all. It is not easy to hold within your heart these things the mind cannot contain or discern.

John was even shown and corrected a second time, when he was given both eyes to see and ears to hear. ***“And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things. Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God. And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.” (Revelation 22:8-10)***

False prophets, wicked messengers, rise up among us having power in signs and wonders to follow them, only to lead many astray to worship other gods. These reveal and gather the wicked ones into their lying wonders. As we know, the working of satan already works, seeking whom he may devour. We are drawn away by our own lusts and the accuser even uses the power of the law to betray by it, gathering and revealing the hearts of those who take pleasure in unrighteousness; whose imaginations are evil continually.

Jesus chose the 12, even knowing one was a devil. Much is already working and is at hand, even if we do not understand it all, discern it, or judge rightly. ***“If there arise among you a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and giveth thee a sign or a wonder, And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof he spake unto thee, saying, Let us go after other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them; Thou shalt not hearken unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams: for the Lord your God proveth you, to know whether ye love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.” (Deuteronomy 13:1-3)***

Jesus continues to reveal this mystery of the Kingdom of God...but if we do not understand this then how can we think to add any more to our understanding? ***“And he said unto them, Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables? The sower soweth the word.” (Mark 4:13-14)***

“The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.” (Matthew 13:38-43)

Fellow servants, brethren, and the Holy Prophets all have the testimony of Jesus, are of One accord, and point to Salvation in Jesus as the only Way to The Father. All waited for this time to come, of the time now at hand in Christ Jesus. These are serving those who have not seen but are called by Grace through Faith in the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the mystery of Salvation now unfolding in this last time for us. ***“The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.” (Revelation 1:20)***

All have sinned and fallen short, we are all sinners saved by Grace. What then makes one wicked? Does sin lay deep within the desires of your heart to follow after other gods, worshipping and focusing on their words and rejecting the Word of The Lord continually? ***“I have sent also unto you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them, saying, Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto me.” (Jeremiah 35:15)***

Those of this world reject Jesus, reject the Word of God, and all who come in The Name of The Lord. They follow after their own desires and the words of others instead. Some even seek to stop the messengers of The Lord by trying to change the message, or kill the messengers, but that only continues a curse upon their own heads. Nothing can stop the Word of God from continuing to come to pass as it continues to go out to all the world. ***“Having therefore obtained help of God, I continue unto this day, witnessing both to small and great, saying none other things than those which the prophets and Moses did say should come: That Christ should suffer, and that he should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should shew light unto the people, and to the Gentiles.” (Acts 26:22-23) “Which in other ages was***

not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit; That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel: Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.”
(Ephesians 3:5-7)

We believe by Faith in Jesus, not by sight of this world. Those of this world think to win all they desire simply because God allows time and space even for wickedness to rise and rise. Those in wickedness that do not repent and return to The Lord do not realize they are only being given over to their own desires and delusion that God gives them over to. Just like in the days of old, to think to rise higher to conquer and war against God and the Holy Angels, thinking to change times and laws, gaining great earthly treasures by exchanging their own souls in the process, only to be taken away and left with nothing but torment in the end. ***“And he said unto the disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and ye shall not see it. And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there: go not after them, nor follow them. For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven, shineth unto the other part under heaven; so shall also the Son of man be in his day. But first must he suffer many things, and be rejected of this generation. And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed.”***
(Luke 17:22-30)

Fear none of these things and give no worship or reverence to evil, or what is sent upon the evil, but instead find placement and Peace with God above all things. No need to rail against satan or those sent to gather the tares, even those of the pit are obedient to their commands by The Word of God, and not to your desires for what you think should or should not be allowed by God. What part do they have with you? Hopefully they find no placement so that The Lord rebukes the devourer for your sake by His Love for you and your Love in Him.

Understand your placement and where your place of Rest is. As we know, there is no rest and no peace with God for the wicked. ***“O Lord, how great are thy works! and thy thoughts are very deep. A brutish man knoweth not; neither doth a fool understand this. When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do flourish; it is that they shall be destroyed for ever: But thou, Lord, art most high for evermore.”*** (Psalm 92:5-8)

The Holy Angels are messengers of the churches, they are fellow servants, and it is said to never worship them. Do you worship angels, or a prophet, or an apostle, an elder brother in Christ, or even other gods? If so, repent and simply make the correction through the Revelation of Jesus Christ, that you may praise The Lord God alone for His wonderful works and edify the Body of Christ, encouraging one another to good works, wrought of God and not of man.

“Who can understand his errors? cleanse thou me from secret faults. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer.” (Psalm 19:12-14)

June 4, 2025

Spirit of Truth or spirit of error...

God is Spirit and in Him is all Truth, with no part darkness or error. Truth is whole, not partial, no lie or confusion, no half-truth or deception, no blindness but full clarity, no darkness but full Light.

“And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.”
(Genesis 1:4)

Confusion can cause panic, anxiety and fear. Confused people can also get angry and even violent, lashing out at wrong things, calling evil good and good evil. When we are confused, we cannot think straight, the mind is not sound in peace of the Truth but is left in chaos of the confusion.

“And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.” (John 1:5)

Some think this type of darkness only applies to non-believers and this cannot come inside the body of believers, however, God’s people also fell into sin and error, in part. ***“For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light:” (Ephesians 5:8)***

We are surrounded by darkness and can be swept away with it if we are caught unawares. Some are blinded in part, and some are given over to this type of madness, while others were delivered from it. ***“For thou art my lamp, O Lord: and the Lord will lighten my darkness.” (2 Samuel 22:29)***

We have all been found in error at times; or even felt covered in it. All have been lied to or told a lie, intentionally or unintentionally. The more errors that spread the more chaotic this world becomes as confusion floods the minds of many, leaving many in error, even if they think they are right in their own eyes. ***“For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.” (James 3:16)***

Some of God’s people could see the error and did not hide it but openly confessed and prayed for His people to be delivered from it. ***“O Lord, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee.” (Daniel 9:7)***

Do we think we are doing what is right, judging rightly, discerning all things correctly? Are we humble or proud? Are we open to repent if we are found to be the one in error? ***“Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in their heart; and they have not known my ways.” (Hebrews 3:10)*** As we know, The Lord God corrects those He Loves and is long suffering that none should perish but that all may come to the Light. ***“Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.” (John 8:12)***

What if we are found to be judging wrongly, or judging before the time, leaning unto our own understanding and desires? ***“Do they provoke me to anger? saith the Lord: do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces?” (Jeremiah 7:19)***

Do you seek the Word of God for help in your time of need, or “google”?

“My people ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused them to err, and they have gone a whoring from under their God.” (Hosea 4:12)

If we are confused or found in conflict with others, do we ask The Lord for understanding, seek His face in His Word for Truth and wait upon The Lord for His help? ***“They also that erred in spirit shall come to understanding, and they that murmured shall learn doctrine.” (Isaiah 29:24)***

The Gospel of His Kingdom goes out to all the world, as a light to shine in a dark place. ***“To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.” (Luke 1:79)*** And we are commanded to share this light, as we come to the light, we are then known by it and of it, with a heart that desires to shine forth the same light. ***“The night is far spent, the day is at hand: let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armour of light.” (Romans 13:12)***

“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.” (2 Corinthians 4:6)

Or do you continue in your own ways and seek out others for the answers instead, using its ways and devices. ***“Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.” (Isaiah 30:3)*** What do you place your trust in for Truth, what guides you and moves you, the news or words from other voices? What are they leading you into, fear or anxiety, or even to think one is wise and knows all things? ***“They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together that are makers of idols.” (Isaiah 45:16)***

May our heart not fail us in unbelief, being left in perplexity under the thick felt darkness that covers so many as it floods this world in confusion and chaos, full of lies and hypocrisy. May we not be left in darkness with confusion of faces, but be found in the Light, in Spirit and Truth dwelling in Him and He in us. ***“And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.” (Exodus 14:20)*** Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life; the cloud by day and night of the eternal Light of Life that remains forever. ***“Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.” (John 14:17)***

“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,” (Ephesians 1:13)

“We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error.” (1 John 4:6)

June 11, 2025

A Heart to Please God...is Gifted PEACE

The Lord Jesus holds the Keys to life, and life more abundantly, so that our soul prospers.
HE is the Breath of Life, and His Breath is The Word of God that brings Life to our Soul.

FAITH-LOVE-OBEDIENCE-HOLINESS

Like David, we may encourage our soul by trusting fully in The Lord and He will give us Peace.

What shoulder do you lay your trust upon?

Who is your counsellor, the bishop of your soul?

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” (Isaiah 9:6)

FAITH – Remain loyal no matter the cost.

No matter what surrounds you, or comes upon you, trust that The Lord is Good and HE will do as He promised. A heart like David stays Faithful to The Lord in times of adversity, or even in our own errors. We do not turn away but face The Lord in all things, even the consequences of correction. Even when all looks hopeless, even when we are surrounded and outnumbered, even when our eyes fail us and we can see no proof of hope, yet we remain sanctified by Faith in Jesus,
...EVEN IF.

“And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.” (Isaiah 22:22)

Are you trusting only in what you see by your own sight to think something is mighty, strong, and great? Walking by sight of this world leads many to think that large numbers or big things give them strength. Or maybe you feel surrounded and outnumbered, so you are fearful or hopeless?

“Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the Lord!”

(Isaiah 31:1)

If you place your trust in man, in their ways and their works, then you will have the mark of their reward. ***“Thus saith the Lord; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord.” (Jeremiah 17:5)***

Jesus warns us to not follow their ways and works because they can do nothing without Faith in The Lord God. Without Faith their works become as nothing, having no power to open or shut anything.

“For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers.” (Matthew 23:4)

Place your trust in Jesus, do as He said to do, then you will have the mark of His reward.

“Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.” (Jeremiah 17:7)

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

LOVE – God is Love.

Do you Love The Lord God above all people and things in this life? This is the first and greatest commandment, so that in doing so you may then be able to love others correctly. Without doing the first you cannot do the second, no matter how much you think you love others. Without placing God first you cannot know His Will, and outside it you can do nothing.

But in Him, in His Will, you can do all things. Loving others in a pure heart also returns our Love to The Lord God, for what we do to others we do to Him, so we can show Love to Him by how we Love others. Loving His Word, doing as He said to do, is knowing Him within you, so His Love may shine outward to others through you.

“On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.” (Matthew 22:40)

This world cannot love rightly, for God is Love. By receiving the Love of God through Jesus Christ we can receive this Love and Love others in Spirit and Truth. Many think they know truth, or know how to love, or even know God, but deny Him by their very works.

We are to seek His Face to know His voice, hear His Words and Love them, and do them. How can anyone love if they do not know Love. Jesus came to reveal God’s Love in Spirit and Truth, and we receive this Truth in His Love for us, that we may now Love others as He Loves us.

“This is my commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.” (John 15:12)

OBEDIENCE – My heart desires to be pleasing unto The Lord.

We desire to be pleasing to The Lord, with a heart that desires to do His Will and not our own will. ***“Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.” (Hebrews 10:7)***

However, we may not have started out this way.

Often, we learn this through trial and error, suffering many heavy burdens under our own will or following the will of others; thinking that is the way to have life and life more abundantly.

“For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.” (1 Peter 2:25)

In time we learn the truth of self-will and its iron yoke that leads us into captivity. Only The Lord God can break us free so that we may learn only God knows what is best, His Will and not our own be done. A heart after God seeks His conviction to guide and keep our ways in Him, always, to seek HIS Will to be done.

“And when he hath found it, he layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing.” (Luke 15:5)

Obedience is no longer harsh, or burdensome, when we learn it is harsher and more burdensome to do our own will. We come to Love the Truth of this, and if we Love Him, we do as He says, and we count it all Joy learning that His yoke is not hard or heavy. His commandments are not grievous but are to keep us safe, guided under His wings of refuge. May we be found running to His commands not away from them, or offended by them.

“For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” (Matthew 11:30)

HOLINESS – Set apart, you are in this world but not of it.

Basically, you are a misfit, you do not belong or fit into this world, you are not a part of its mindset, and its ways are not your ways. Thank The Lord!

“But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light; Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.” (1 Peter 2:9-10)

You are set apart from many others, different, sanctified by Faith in Jesus. His Truth makes you not of this world. Holy is to be set apart, not conformed to this world, but transformed by the Truth in Christ Jesus. ***“I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.” (John 17:14-17)***

Holy hands are those without wrath and doubt. When this world is taken over in violence you are not moved or carried away to be part of it. And when this world is left in doubt you remain inside your Hope of unseen Faith in Jesus, trusting and believing upon His Word. For if you look for peace outside of Jesus then it will be far from you, but if you look for peace within Jesus then it will come to you. ***“Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.” (John 14:27)***

We continually pursue to be set apart from this world, to reject sin and not excuse sin, but seeking to do what is Good in The Lord’s eyes and not our own. Repentance is a gift, and grace is the time we are given to seek it out. When Jesus reveals sin to us, we repent and turn toward Him, not away from Him.

“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.” (Romans 12:2)

Daily walking this out we learn more of Him and become closer and closer, from glory to Glory, for only The Lord God is Holy but we may abide in Him and become One with Him to be transformed pure in heart with no more hypocrisy, but in all things we do for The Lord with pure intentions.

We can speak the truth of a lie to uncover a lie but heal nothing in doing so. Uncovering can leave one naked to now see the truth of what they were once covered in. If you uncover a lie without filling with Truth in Jesus then you leave one empty and naked only to become worse than they were when they could not see it. Discern the lie but speak the Truth in Love to heal and fill with The Word of God, covering in His Garment and the lie must flee and cannot return when Truth and Faith in Jesus remain.

“And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:7)

Scripture is like a hidden treasure, its not how much you read or how many times you read it that matters; its how much you believe of it, and in it, that matters. There is only One Truth, there cannot be many different truths, that type of thinking is a lie that voids the meaning of Truth itself.

“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; 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.” (Revelation 3:7-8)

Do we question God?

Children often question their parents, ***“why this?”*** and ***“why that?”***

As we grow in The Lord, we learn to trust The Lord and that He does see everything, knows all things, and judges all things perfectly, in His Way and timing.

A Good Father wants His children to ask Him and seek out things of Him; without trying to know it all, understand it all, or worse, think they know better than The Father. Some run ahead, or even go out on their own, because they do not agree with how The Father does things, or are not patient to wait for the understanding to come in His Timing.

“Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.”
(Matthew 6:31-34)

Why is The Way narrow and few find it?

Jesus is The Way to Truth and Life, and there is no other Way to the Father but through Christ Jesus.
All other ways are broad and lead to lies that only destroy in the end.

“Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it. Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.”
(Matthew 7:13-15)

This world has broad views, broadminded ways, thinking they know the way, and they have the truth, and they know how to save themselves or conquer to overcome something.

Jesus revealed, and warned, that this world has no truth and it cannot receive the Spirit of Truth. All have fallen under the spirit of lies that floods this world leading so many away on its broad path; unless they are healed, come of out from under this, and take heed to those The Lord God has sent.

“And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.” (Luke 1:17)

“The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God.” (Isaiah 40:3)

This world opposes The Truth that Jesus is the Only Way, Truth and Life. Jesus is Who all the Holy Prophets pointed to and waited upon. But many false prophets come with their ways saying to follow them and refuse that Jesus is the Only Way to The Father. This world rejects what The Lord God sends and tries to stop all that have come in The Name of The Lord declaring The Word of God for God's Will to be known.

“For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” (Matthew 3:3)

“But I say unto you, That Elias is come already, and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer of them.” (Matthew 17:12)

It's impossible to know God in Truth outside of Jesus Who is The Word of God, and we cannot please God without Faith and Trust in Him.

"To whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust him from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt, Saying unto Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for as for this Moses, which brought us out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him." (Acts 7:39-40)

Ultimately, all who reject God's Truth will lift themselves up as their own god and truth then. Claiming to be the wisest head of it, or even the mind of a god, thinking they know the way by their own mind, or the combined minds of their wisest in this world.

Jesus teaches us the opposite, and that we should trust The Lord God only, and not lean to our understanding, or think we must figure it all out ahead of time.

"Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths: But I say unto you, Swear not at all; neither by heaven; for it is God's throne: Nor by the earth; for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black. But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil. Ye have heard that it hath been said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth: 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." (Matthew 5:33-39)

How would we know who is who, what to do, and what is "Truth" then?

"Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." (1 Corinthians 11:1)

Be encouraged by others in The Lord, as they imitate The Lord Jesus Christ, and not when they do not. As Jesus says...His Word is True, but if they say they follow Him, but do not as He said, then do not follow them or imitate them.

Jesus reveals how to know His versus others. His people receive the Spirit of Truth that is confirmed by the very Words Jesus spoke, and The Word of God confirms itself. We keep this within us and do as He said to do.

By their fruit you will know them. Do they imitate Jesus, or do they imitate this world or others in it, in self-pride to follow other ways, the will of others, or their own will and desires by the works of their own hands? Are they lovers of self instead of God?

"The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart, O God, thou wilt not despise." (Psalm 51:17)

We are to be meek in Truth, fully surrendered to Jesus, and doing as Jesus commanded to do. Or do they profess Jesus but go do what they want to do instead and not do as The Lord said to do. Do they forgive or do they seek vengeance, stuck under eye for an eye still, or teaching ways outside of what Jesus said?

There are even times we, or others, may seem to be on the narrow path but of a wrong mindset still. The Lord will block The Way to all who think to walk through the narrow and continue like that, even using a donkey if needed.

"And the angel of the Lord went further, and stood in a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left." (Numbers 22:26) "Then the Lord opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the Lord standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face." (Numbers 22:31)

Why are we blessed in mourning, and weeping? Why must we suffer so much here Lord?

Why must we suffer sifting, temptations, corrections, endure losses (just or unjust), and go through many trials through our life here?

We mourn and cry, in and out of seasons, finding ourselves to be so powerless at times.

***“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us. We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed; 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.”
(2 Corinthians 4:7-10)***

Like David, now having a contrite heart and broken spirit is being meek in Truth because we are fully surrendered to The Lord's Will be done, and not our own. Understanding comes because we suffered many things and have learned this simple but profound Truth.

“Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.” (Matthew 5:4) “Blessed are ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed are ye that weep now: for ye shall laugh.” (Luke 6:21)

Then, like David, after the sifting, the chastening, even suffering losses we can praise The Lord in all things, once we start to understand He really does see, and know best, and The Lord shall Lift us up afterward, and we shall Praise The Lord now in Spirit and Truth.

***“And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not; I will lead them in paths that they have not known: I will make darkness light before them, and crooked things straight. These things will I do unto them, and not forsake them.”
(Isaiah 42:16)***

***“For the Lord shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.”
(Isaiah 51:3)***

We often get fearful and shaken in mind and heart, but who do we run to? What comforts us to continue and endure through it all? The only strength and power that endures to the end is the Love of God within us of the eternal Peace of God granted to us, that His Word is True, and He will do all He promised, for HE is Faithful and True.

***“And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.”
(Revelation 21:4)***

***“Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.”
(Hebrews 12:6-29)***

“For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven: If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit. Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad. Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences. For we commend not ourselves again unto you, but give you occasion to glory on our behalf, that ye may have somewhat to answer them which glory in appearance, and not in heart. For whether we be beside ourselves, it is to God: or whether we be

sober, it is for your cause. For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again. Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we him no more. Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. 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."
(2 Corinthians 5)

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The Sovereignty of The Lord God..."Adonai Adonai"

We may say The Lord Jesus Christ is our Lord, and even our Savior,
but do we believe in the fullness of His Sovereignty?

What does it mean to say... Lord, Lord?

"And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? (Luke 6:46)

Do we worship Him by giving Him all Blessing, and Honor, and Glory, and Power for ever and ever;
or do we doubt the fullness of this and what that really means?

We may confess with our mouth that He is Lord but hold another part of unbelief within our heart, a part we are still waiting to see with our own eyes, believing in one part but not yet the other, so not yet made whole.

"But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe." (John 20:24-25)

Thomas walked with Jesus and called Him Lord, but a fullness had not entered his heart.

Walking by Faith, and not by sight, can be hard in this world. Seeing no evidence in the physical, things may seem to just continue below as if The Lord God is not even here.

"And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way? Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him." (John 14:4-7)

At times we may not be sure of The Way, how to walk in it, or even how to find it.

Our mind may agree with The Word of God, but our heart can remain in doubt and unbelief.

Do we believe Jesus and The Father are One, so that we may know Him, see Him, and The Word of God is made manifest not just in our mind but also within our heart, to be known of Him and by Him, rooted and grounded in Him.

“And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you. Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

***And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.”
(John 20:26-28)***

The Way and The Truth and The Life was made manifest when Jesus appeared again to Thomas, and Thomas now believed in the fullness of The Sovereignty of The Lord... "Adonai Adonai"

“Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.” (John 20:29)

Do you know how blessed you are if you believe without having seen?

“Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.” (Revelation 1:3)

Do you know this, and believe this, deep in your heart? Do you now believe?

“But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.” (Romans 2:29)

We agree in The Word of God that is with us, at hand, and by Faith we receive His Spirit poured out to be within us, forever, and in this we stand upon the unmovable Truth of The Cross and Resurrection of His unmovable Kingdom High Above all principalities and powers.

Do you know what this means, and do you believe upon it?

“And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King Of Kings, And Lord Of Lords.” (Revelation 19:16)

The Truth of This Gospel cannot be moved, and The Lord Jesus Christ keeps us from falling out of The Way by the Truth of The Life in Him of His Resurrection, for all who believe and keep His Name.

“In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins: Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: 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: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.” (Colossians 1:14-17)

Will you be so easily moved or shaken from this sure foundation, falling away from Faith in Jesus, simply because of what comes upon the earth and what you see with your own eyes?

Are you moved by principalities and powers below that sift many with lying wonders and lead many astray to follow after other gods because of the desires of their own heart?

“Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will shew you to whom he is like: 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. 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.” (Luke 6:47-49)

The world cannot receive The Spirit of Truth because they cannot see it; but we see Him as Jesus gives us sight in Him, in The Word of God, in Spirit and Truth.

***"If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him."
(John 14:4-7)***

Many claim to know The Word of God, or even think to know the Will of The Father, but are they known by The Gospel of Salvation and found doing as He commanded, His Will be done in it and by it?

Or do they use The Word of God, dividing His land into parts, for another purpose or will?

"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity." (Matthew 7:21-23)

The Gospel of Salvation creates in us a new and clean heart, as a new creature in Christ, growing in Him so we may Love others as He Loves us. His Word tills within our heart preparing the good soil, piece by piece, stone by stone, transforming our stoney heart into a heart of flesh that is now uncovered and exposed to all Truth so that we may agree and receive forgiveness of sins in Spirit and Truth that we may be healed and now see clearly.

"Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts" Isaiah 6:5

Do you expect, and even demand, that others love you as Jesus loves you?

How can anyone give what they do not have? Do you place heavy burdens upon others without preparing the soil, planting and watering the seeds, even in your own heart first, let alone expect it out of others?

Do you show mercy and grace walking out this Faith we have in Jesus, so that He alone may give the increase?

"Ye hypocrites, well did Esaias prophesy of you, saying, This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." (Matthew 15:7-9)

Repent and ask The Lord Jesus for forgiveness for placing demands on people they cannot perform outside of Him and that you may not even be performing. Pray the Father grant us all mercy and grace that we may give mercy and grace to others by shining the Light of The Glorious Gospel of Christ upon others from the abundance of our heart now flowing out to others so they may also receive and believe.

"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." (Revelation 2:5)

How do you worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and what is the place of His dwelling and the place of your gathering?

What and where is your True Feast of Charity with others and for others?

Where do you go to meet Jesus, and where do you point others to go up to meet Him?

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

Do you shine the Light of Christ and point them to meet Jesus at The Cross so they may learn of Him, and remain with Him, so the Windows of Heaven may pour out upon them that their soul may prosper in Him?

***"For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring: And they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water courses."
(Isaiah 44:2-4)***

Or do you point to other places and gatherings among dry bundles in desolate land, unprepared, who receive no rain because the window of heaven is closed to those who reject The Gospel of Jesus Christ? These gather in places and

temples made with hands, seeking and gathering under another name, so their own craft prospers instead. Do not be soon shaken or moved by all you see gathering here in many bundles and places, even with power and signs and lying wonders that come to nothing in the end.

“God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: 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.” (Acts 17:24-28)

Remain unmoved in The Truth of Jesus Christ that stands High Above all things, King and Lord over all Dominions, Authority and Power forever and ever.

***“Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.”
(Habakkuk 3:17-19)***

May our Faith in Jesus remain, despite what we see here below. May we trust The Father's Will in Jesus so that we may know Him and be known by Him, and of Him, to know the Father's Will is Salvation in His name, and we know Him and are known by Him, and we do as He said to do for His Gospel of Salvation.

“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.” (1 Corinthians 15:58)

***“Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever.
Amen.” (Jude 24-25)***

“To him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.” (1 Peter 5:11)

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Pride & Self-pity go hand in hand, in the “House of Rebellion”

Pride can be a root hidden within our heart, growing,
and over time the fruit revealed from this can be Self-pity.
We may believe we deserve better than what we receive here,
either from the hands of others or even blame God for what comes upon us.

“Son of man, thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not: for they are a rebellious house.” (Ezekiel 12:2)

We may not understand what The Lord is doing, or why He allows it to be done.

“Son of man, hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house, said unto thee, What doest thou?” (Ezekiel 12:9)

Most have heard the saying... “Pride comes before a fall”.

Many fall because of pride, but what do we do after?

What rises within us after?

“For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.” (Proverbs 24:16)

God resists the proud, and will abase the proud,
not for our destruction but to expose the root.

“For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.” (Luke 14:11)

Even the king of Babylon witnessed this and testified to it.

“Now I Nebuchadnezzar praise and extol and honour the King of heaven, all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment: and those that walk in pride he is able to abase.” (Daniel 4:37)

Even God’s own elect fall into pride, and in doing so fall into correction.

“And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim fall in their iniquity: Judah also shall fall with them.” (Hosea 5:5)

Do we learn from this uncovering and continue with The Lord that He may, in time, remove this root forever?

“And Simeon blessed them, and said unto Mary his mother, Behold, this child is set for the fall and rising again of many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against; (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,) that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed.” (Luke 2:34-35)

Jesus exposes the root to heal the hearts of those who Love Him and Love His correction.

“Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God. Jesus cried and said, He that believeth on me, believeth not on me, but on him that sent me. And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me.” (John 12:42-45)

Those who reject correction fall backwards into pride over and over,
forgetting the Mighty Hand of The Lord that shall abase, in due season.

Hardened hearts then grow cold, full of bitterness and wrath.

“For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, he hath also rejected thee from being king.” (1 Samuel 15:23)

Keeping this root in bitterness is like worshipping suffering over and over,
instead of learning from it, and seeking The Lord God to heal it.

“Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord: Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled; Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat sold his birthright.” (Hebrews 12:14-16)

Some may demand recognition, or even admiration, for this root deep within them,
placing it higher than God upon the throne of their heart.

Others continue in bitterness, turn away from God, and Blaspheme His Name.

“And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him; Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats? And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man. For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness: All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.” (Mark 7:18-23)

Are you for or against the process of God?
God resists the proud, and the proud resist the Will of God.

“And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is because we have taken no bread. Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread? Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees? Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.” (Matthew 16:7-12)

Are you against suffering and trials,
keeping a complaining heart, standing against what God sends?

“Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified. But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator.” (1 Peter 4:12-19)

A Good Father will correct His children.
Are you afraid of sorrow and suffering, or do you agree The Lord permits it,
and shall deliver you through it?

“And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons.” (Hebrews 12:5-8)

What type of heart do you have?
Are you suffering, enduring... giving of yourself freely in charity,
or giving to get something in return?
What reward are you then watching for, looking for, waiting for to come?

“These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I.” (John 14:26-28)

We are to be watching, and eagerly waiting upon, The Word of God to come to us.
Or are you waiting for something else,
like recognition, or admiration from other people, or their pity, or just attention?

“Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.” (Matthew 6:31-34)

Our reward is in and of heaven, the True Bread of Heaven,
and we watch to see His Word return to us, daily.
The Spirit of Truth is a witness to confirm and keep us, strengthen us, lift us up:
The Greater Work.

That we may point to His Coming upon us as a witness to our Faith in Him.
To teach us, grow us, strengthen us, and guide us into The Promise of The Father;
to complete the work He started in us.

Pride and Self-pity is a crooked path;
may He lead us into a straight path.
Even if our own mind and works of hands must be cut off,
so they may be made straight, afterward.

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.” (Mark 1:3)

Not for our hurt, but for our Salvation.

“Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh which corrected us, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness. Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby. Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees; And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.” (Hebrews 12:9-13)

“Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.” (Matthew 7:13-14)

“For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.” (1 John 2:16)

September 20, 2025

Are your Prayers a request, or a demand?

“Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” (Philippians 4:6-7)

At times you may think it's impossible to pray with a heart of thanksgiving, as a request toward The Lord God. Maybe your heart is hurting, angry, or upset at the things of this world.

Have your humble requests now changed into prideful demands?

Your thankfulness toward God should not waver based on the things of this world or the many tribulations here. Being rooted and grounded in Christ is built upon the unmovable Word of God, The Gospel of Jesus Christ, and His Eternal Kingdom that we are thankful for, forever, no matter the circumstances here below.

In fact, the worse it gets here the more thankful we should be that His Kingdom is Holy, Set Apart, from all this. The more we do not fit into this world the more we become set apart from it. The more we see here the more we should understand this and even love our enemies in Truth and not falsehood, Loving as God Loves us, realizing God knows what He is doing and is sorting it all out perfectly.

"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." (Romans 12:2)

Pray that you do not fall into temptation by the snares and provocations of this world that seek to turn you to become just like it. Remain in the Love of God, in Jesus Christ, and He will keep you from falling.

"And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen." (Matthew 6:13)

"Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." (Revelation 3:10)

A thankful heart in prayer means you remain humble to request a prayer, not placing demands upon God, and not praying with a heart full of bitterness or wrath.

Do we forget who we are addressing in our prayers?

"The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction." (Proverbs 1:7)

Thinking we are wise we can become foolish.

If we get puffed up, we become wise in our own eyes, forgetting we are but sinners saved by Grace. Meat of The Word is good when growing, but if we neglect the True and sincere milk of The Word to bring with it then we may forget to give ALL reverence and respect to The Lord God for who HE IS.

We must keep both with us so that we can be both wise and harmless. Neglecting our foundation can lead us away from The Love of God, the First Commandment; and wisdom leaves us. Without the First we can do nothing, not even love our neighbors in Spirit and Truth.

"Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need." (Hebrews 4:16)

Are you praying at The Throne of Grace, or is your heart in a different placement now seeking a different throne? We must obtain Mercy first, then find Grace to help us, come to us, by work of God and not man.

Grace is a gift that cannot be earned.

Do you approach The Throne of God in your prayers with a heart of your own works and righteousness, or do you keep a heart full of Grace and thankfulness for God's Love and Mercy towards you?

Do your prayers return understanding and Peace of God upon you, giving you help in your time of need; or do they leave you feeling empty with more confusion and feeling powerless; finding no placement or space to move even a pebble, let alone a mountain?

Have you become self-righteous in your prayers thinking how you are good and how bad others are, becoming blinded by those scales in your eyes as if you can measure it all?

“Two men went up into the temple to pray; the one a Pharisee, and the other a publican. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, God, I thank thee, that I am not as other men are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican. I fast twice in the week, I give tithes of all that I possess. And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as his eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner. 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.” (Luke 18:10-14)

Maybe you are praying and asking God for your own will and desires thinking you know what you need, and what others need, and what this world needs; praying and directing your own steps you want God to preform?

“Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.” (James 4:3)

Are you following Jesus?

Our steps are to be directed by The Lord and He says to come and follow Him, to be found where He is, and doing as He said to do. Are you trying to go up another way? Jumping around taking short cuts, running ahead on your own understanding? Or maybe you are falling so far behind because you sit on the ground and refuse to get back up, quenching the Spirit, and hindering your own walk? Are you killing Prophecy in your own life?

“For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.” (Proverbs 24:16)

“The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.” (Psalm 37:23-24)

We are to grow in The Lord Jesus as we continue with Him, in and out of seasons. Do not stop short, or turn back, but plow forward, enduring all things, and He will be the Finisher of your walk of Faith in Him, to the very end.

“Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.” (Jude 1:24-25)

Do you enter the Word of God straight and narrow or do you come into it sideways, walking a crooked path, cherry picking a sentence here or there and cry or get angry when it does not come to pass, or have power in your life?

“Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.” (Matthew 7:13-14)

Are you proclaiming the words you want, in His Name, and wondering why it does not work for you? Using His Words out of context, not reading what comes before and after it, not waiting upon His return to open the understanding to you first by the Spirit of Truth?

Jesus said, ***“Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:” (Matthew 7:7)***, but what did He say before and after this, of the fullness of His instructions in this for you?

Read the context in whole and meditate upon it, spend time with Jesus, The Word of God, seeking His Face that He may return to you in Spirit and Truth to grow you, guide you, and keep you along The Way as The Cloud by Day and Night.

Walk in Faith while it is Day, working out your Salvation, so that when the Night season comes upon you His Everlasting Light is with you, and shall not fail you, and will never leave you; as you are now walking with Him through all time and seasons that may come upon the earth.

“The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.” (Psalm 23)

“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: He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night, from before the people.” (Exodus 13:21-22)

Grow in Christ Jesus, eat the meat of His Word and drink His Blood of the Covenant, keeping the balance with you of both always, and His Voice you will recognize and a stranger you will not follow or be led astray falling into the snare of the devil. Continue with Jesus through His suffering and temptations learning from Him to walk through them all, as you continue with Him.

“For whether is greater, he that sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but I am among you as he that serveth. Ye are they which have continued with me in my temptations. And I appoint unto you a kingdom, as my Father hath appointed unto me; That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.” (Luke 22:27-32)

You will recognize His Word and the Spirit of Prophecy will open your eyes, by His Word within you, to recognize and discern the time and seasons. It's safe on His path no matter what you may see by your own sight around you, walk by Faith not sight of man, and in due time He will come to you, and serve you in your time of need.

“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.” (Luke 12:37)

The Word of Jesus cannot be broken; it is kept by God and not man. He covers and holds us, seals us in His Love, and nothing can overpower the commandment of God for His Love commanded towards us. The Good Shephard guides us as He places the steps before us, and we walk in them. There is nothing that can take us away from the fullness of walking this path out to the end when we continue to Follow Him and no other.

“I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; One Lord, one faith, one baptism, One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all. But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 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: 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; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 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.” (Ephesians 4:1-16)

Be covered in Christ Jesus, sealed in The Love of God, as we know God's Fire comes to destroy the works of the devil.
Pray we are not found in those works, taken away by them, or worse...part of them.

"See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven: Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath promised, saying, Yet once more I shake not the earth only, but also heaven. And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: For our God is a consuming fire."
(Hebrews 12:25-29)

"John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable." ***(Luke 3:16-17)***

October 5, 2025

Rainbows and Mountains...

Today we are reminded that the best paths always look impossible to the natural eye, so we do not attempt to take this journey of life alone. Our Lord is just so very, very compassionate to us when we are afraid. When we need Him the most, He is most pleased to come to us immediately, without delay. Although, we may think a delay is present, it actually is when He is closest to us, cultivating a greater sense of intimacy through His transforming power.

"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us." ***(Romans 8:18)***

Presently we suffer at times, but none of that matters when we consider how needed this purification process actually is, in order His glory is manifested in and through us. It is all about HIM increasing within us, us decreasing so HE MAY ACTUALLY appear through every aspect of our lives continually.

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths." ***(Proverbs 3:5-6)***

We all need this word so very much, especially now. Not only do we need Him to direct our paths, our very lives depend on it. We cannot walk this Earth any longer leaning on our own understanding or even one another's. We must faithfully believe in Him with our whole hearts to make it through until the end.

"A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense. They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed." ***(1 Peter 2:8)***

Boy is this ever a relevant scripture for today... Jesus is greatly where people start to stumble by getting extremely offended by even the mentioning of His Name or the truth, integrity, ways He expects His own to behave, etc... Hundreds of people gather in fellowship – but bring up sin and only few repent, most are offended. Killings right now are occurring due to offense and that is by so called disobedient/offended believers. This is a wakeup call for us all... Our reminder today to look inwardly and ask – Am I offended by Jesus saying – go and sin no more? That one verse is like a sword to the heart for so many people these days, who lean on their own understanding – calling evil good and good evil – these are clearly disobedient children of God.

"In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone." ***(Luke 4:11)***

I just wanted to throw this one there, because I love this verse... it reminds us we are truly never alone – Jesus walks with us AND He sends angels to keep charge over us – meaning they rescue us when out of ignorance (not rebellion) we might permanently injure ourselves – physically or in the heart/soul.

***“Because narrow is the gate and ^{to} difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it.”
(Mathew 7:14)***

This verse speaks to itself... and it's becoming very evident these days... very few choose to walk narrowly with the Lord because living as His in this life these days can be so difficult and it's going to get worse. He warns us here, very few will maintain this righteous walk until the very end, sadly.

“Now David was greatly distressed, for the people spoke of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was ^{to} grieved, every man for his sons and his daughters. But David strengthened himself in the LORD his God.” (1 Samuel 30:6)

Just thought I found the perfect example of us at times: distress, people wanting to harm us in words/deeds due to being so offended at us... as a reminder we can only be strengthened in the Lord Himself. We may encourage one another, but enduring strength to make it the whole way through only comes from Him.

“I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.” (John 15:5)

We all need to focus much more on whether our fruit looks the same as Jesus's? This fruit is how we appear before others – outwardly we are a reflection of our inwardly truth. What we say, think, do, how we behave, present ourselves – kept and clean, orderly... all of it matters – Jesus represents excellency and therefore, we must examine ourselves fully to ensure our fruit resembles Him in every way possible to the best of our ability by AVOIDING ALL APPEARANCES of evil. If evil is not how we appear, and it shouldn't be... then goodness should be. Hopefully, that makes sense.

Side Notes to Consider:

Jesus is the Good Shephard (Parent), and in His example as a “parent” we may consider the following...

Which child does a parent think is better...the child that walks out in front of the parent saying they fear nothing, or the child that stays close to the leg of the parent that fears many things? Neither, because both are Loved equally; however, both need growth, even corrections, with great Mercy and Grace through the many seasons ahead.

We all face fear, even a type of felt fear that comes upon us suddenly, or even a debilitating fear, in a moment of time. We do not deny this fear exists, or try to hide our own responses to fearful things that come, or taken by surprise because we thought God would never allow this to come, face to face.

Even David shares his testimony openly regarding the oppression he feels from his enemies, going from great victories only to face more challenges, even to face his own errors/sins. David did not hide how he was feeling but confessed openly before The Lord; even for all of us to read and hear to this very day. (**Psalm 23, 28, 40, 55**, and many alike)

The “spirit of fear” is not of God but is of the enemy and is “anti”, however, it's allowed space to oppose, as a demonic force that seeks to destroy your Faith in God. This spirit is not to rule over you, guide your choices, stop or hinder your steps, or provoke you to run ahead; although it seeks and desires to, as it comes along the path to sift and reveal many things we must learn along The Way of walking in Faith.

(In Hebrew, the phrase "spirit of fear" is often rendered as ruach pachad, denotes a sudden, startling, or debilitating fear, a type of negative demonic force that aims to destroy a person's confidence and boldness in God)

Bravery involves continuing despite feeling afraid, not a lack of fear itself. What value does overcoming hold if there was nothing fearful opposing us? Courage is the willingness to move forward and do what The Lord says, despite the fear, so that you are resisting fear rather than trying to suppress it. **(Matthew 25:25-30, Galatians 5:22-23, 2 Timothy 1:7-12, James 3:17, James 4:7)**

As young children in Christ we often obey in fear of discipline, or even fear of rejection, until we learn to Trust The Lord God and The Majesty of HIS presence in our lives. As we grow and continue to follow His Voice, in His Word, we experience The Truth in Him and come to Love The Truth, and obedience is now made easy in HIS Love for us that made The Way for us to enter His Holy Mountain. **(Exodus 19, Hebrews 12)**

"The Hebrew word Yirah means awe. It is often also translated as reverence, worship, and fear (like fear of the Lord) which means reverence, awe, or a healthy respect for the Lord." **(Psalm 111:10, Proverbs 1:7)**

As a child grows, a parent will teach them to follow their instructions. Children who love and trust their parents will follow their words (and not the words of others that oppose, or even their own mind). Jesus explains, there are those who say they do but never really do, and others who say they will not do but eventually do. **(Matthew 7:21, Matthew 21:28-31, Luke 6:45-49)**

As we continue to Follow The Lord, we are sanctified by the Faith we have in HIM, in The Word of God and the Promise of The Father in Jesus Christ. His corrections are no longer seen as rejection, and our weaknesses give space and Grace for HIS Strength now Perfected. His Word is True, and His Love endures forever, realizing HIS perfect Love cannot fail and we may now Rest in HIM, in the Strength of HIS Salvation, forever. **(Isaiah 11:2, John 16:13, Ephesians 1:13-14, Hebrews 4:1-11, 1 John 4:17-19)**

October 15, 2025

Counting the cost...

I mean truly make a decision to be one of Jesus's disciples whole-heartedly, in truth after much consideration and honesty. Am I willing to fully lay my life down accepting whatever the Lord weaves into my life in that I become...

Holy, as He is Holy. That's the real question, isn't it? Everyone wants to wait to be made Holy it seems, when the process starts here, right now, the moment you give your heart to Jesus. He does a work within us that unfolds us being set apart from the world, no longer being our own – He is in charge now, changing and molding us through fires, stripes, discipline, etc... whatever it takes to get us to surrender He shall do it, because He loves us and is very jealous about anything that may try to enter in and sever the union we have with Him. When this testing comes, it feels like you are on an emotional rollercoaster for a bit – thankfully He is on it with us! And even more thankfully – He never loses one of His own!

LUKE 14:28-30

For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not **sit down first and count the cost**, whether he has *enough* to finish it—lest, after he has laid the foundation, and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish'?

Leaving everything behind in order to follow Jesus is the path way less traveled and many attempt to build a life around Him, only to fall away when it gets really difficult to imitate Him, follow in His footsteps, on His path and especially when we must drink of His cup of suffering. This scripture reveals to us why that is the case... most do not count the cost in advance of just what it looks like to be His disciple in this self-indulgent world. Do "we" have enough faith to endure all things like Jesus and remain in Him no matter what comes until our personal very end, in that we hear, well done good and faithful servant? This question is very, very serious because it requires us to lay down our lives not only for our friends, but our enemies too.

ISAIAH 26:3

You will keep him in perfect peace, Whose **mind is stayed on You**, Because **he trusts in You**.

Those who Jesus keeps in perfect peace... Have a mind that is constantly and consistently focused on Jesus and they trust Him no matter what comes their way. This is where peace resides, not as the world gives peace and a false sense of security – only peace Jesus offers when we do our part – keep Him foremost in our minds.

GALATIANS 6:9

And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

We all have moments where we begin to lose heart... but we always bounce right back to attention seeking the Lord's will and how He desires to use us as His child of light. Many hopeless people do lose heart because they do nothing for others – they seek what others can do for them, more than what they can do for others – and they get very weary. But those who have joy in serving, shall reap all they've done to the least of these or rather, those in need, as their brother's keeper.

EPHESIANS 6:16

...above all, taking the shield of **faith** with which you will be able to **quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one**.

ABOVE ALL ELSE... truly gets our attention! Faith in Jesus puts out the flames of residue from anything the wicked can throw at us. Thank You Lord, for being there when we call upon You and today we declare... WE BELIVE You shall come to our rescue, always.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:7

For we walk by faith, not by sight.

Some people find more comfort just seeing the plans ahead or where the path is going they are currently on. But those who follow Jesus do not get that luxury. We sometimes do not know what the next hour or day shall bring, where we will eat, rest or pay our bills from, etc... When we walk by faith, we just know – God will supply all our needs so He gets the glory. And trust me, He often shows up in the more elaborate, heart softening and miraculous ways through vessels just like each one of you. Walking by faith, we just know... that Jesus is Who He says He is and He will never abandon us while teaching us how to lean upon Him for every single need and desire.

MATHEW 11:28

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Bridging the gap between works and rest often takes a very long time, as does getting people who do not want to get out and serve Jesus, takes equally as long for some reason. Jesus, just like our Father the Creator, rested as an example to us the importance of rest. I have found people who are controlling are more inhibited to rest, because they do not trust Jesus to oversee everything should they step away and rest in Jesus – focusing only on Him for a bit. He tells us if you labor – He will give you rest. If you are heavy laden (worn out) – He will give you rest. Rest is not shameful, its just as important for us to obey Him to rest as it is to work.

HEBREWS 13:5

Let your conduct be without covetousness; be content with such things as you have. For He Himself has said, "**I will never leave you nor forsake you.**"

Reading this backwards we see when we KNOW Jesus is with us always and will never leave us, we no longer are discontented with what we don't have, we are content because we have it all – we have Him. We also will no longer covet (have a strong desire for) those things not yet attained, but instead are grateful for all the Lord has given us.

1 PETER 1:15-16

...but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, ¹⁶because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy."

Many church people do not like this verse at all... I am just going to let you wrestle with the Lord with it... I get complaints when I even read it and worse when I try to explain it. He will show you – why He instructs us to be Holy as He is, if you ask Him. All I will say is – Jesus does not place heavy burdens on people yet, He does require your behavior replicate Holy and pure because He called you to be obedient as His child.

1 PETER 2:9-10

But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who **called you out of darkness into His marvelous light**; ¹⁰who once were not a people but *are* now the **people of God**, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

God's mercy is not getting what we actually deserve – His punishment for our sinful and rebellious ways. Do not ever abuse this gift of mercy or take it for granted or use it for pleasure in unrighteous gratification. His compassion is not directed to those who do so. Mercy is for the ones set apart from the World, HIS OWN SPECIAL PEOPLE, just like we read in this scripture. He is merciful to us, because of Jesus's atonement and our love and appreciation for His Son. Mercy given to others (sowing into them love instead of sowing punishment) insures in return we shall reap that same mercy from our Father.

DEUTERONOMY 7:6

"For you are a ^{holy} people to the LORD your God; the LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for Himself, a special treasure above all the peoples on the face of the earth.

I firmly believe people behave how they think of themselves. You will walk out holiness, if you see yourself washed clean by Jesus's life He laid down for our salvation. Just like you wouldn't trample with muddy feet on a brand-new white rug you bought... If you knew how Jesus purified you, you would not permit anything to enter in and taint you, making you dirty. YOU, each one of you are CHOSEN, a special treasure ABOVE everyone else on Earth. And the devil is a liar, so if you believe anything else, you must stop listening to him. He wants to steal your joy found in freedom from sin, kill your soul and take as many souls to eternal hell with him as possible and destroy your faith in Jesus while walking as one of His own, Holy and pure, just as Jesus and the Father both are, in truth.

MATHEW 6:14-15

"For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

We must forgive as a child of God. It's a command, not a suggestion. We must release the desire to repay with harm or vengeance everyone, of every single thing they have done to us that caused us pain. If we do not, we will not be forgiven by the Lord for our sinful ways. That is just how serious this is... Forgiveness does not mean entanglement with the person, it just means you place them in the Lord's hands for His perfect will to be done and you accept His will without question or complaint, void of you having a hand in their punishment.

COLOSSIANS 3:13

...bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also *must do*.

This is just another reminder... to put up with one another's shortcomings is bearing with one another – when someone else's flesh irritates your flesh – that's all it is... therefore, some people get on one another's nerves – but let it go, don't sweat the small stuff... don't complain either – just recognize it for what it is – their flesh irritates yours, big deal... I have many quirks that people do not like – I am probably on some people's nerves even right now. There are also parts of my flesh that get very irritated at times, but I am not grumpy about it. It just helps me know who I am and am not to cling to as family. And even family irritates one another – Shelby won't let me chew gum, Michael doesn't answer texts immediately and gets upset if I don't respond right away, Gabriel is always five minutes late, my brother says stuff and doesn't do it and the list of irritants are endless. But none of it should pull any of us apart when we are grounded in love. When we let the little things go; love, peace and joy is established in our hearts and re-established in all our relationships. Our homes are happy and things go much more smoothly in our personal lives. I am sure thankful Jesus, Who is perfect, doesn't complain about us... We also should not complain about others because not one of us is perfect either.

Side Notes to Consider:

Count the Cost, to Rule and Reign with Christ...What does it mean to be a Disciple of Jesus?

Jesus Himself answers this question...**(Luke 14:25-33)**

Does this sound too harsh, too hard, or impossible for you?

Being Holy, set apart to follow Jesus, is The Narrow Way that leaves the broad ways and teachings of this world, even your own family's traditions. Disciples are not children of the world, or children of flesh and blood, but are born of God, by His Holy Spirit. These are not old or young but are transformed as a New Creature in Christ, called and formed of God and by God, in His Way and timing, not our own. **(Matthew 4:19, Revelation 14:4)**

**Examples of Discipleship can be found from Genesis to Revelation, revealing Faith through covenant relationships. (ex. Genesis 15:6, Exodus 13:21, 1 Kings 19:19-21, 2 Kings 2:1-15)*

Disciples follow Jesus and place The Words of Jesus and HIS commands above everything. This is the First and Greatest Commandment, in Spirit and Truth, for without His Holy Spirit you cannot perform The Truth, even if you know of it. Disciples accept His invitation, receive The Gospel of His Kingdom, have gone out with it, and continue to go out to the ends of the world. **(Matthew 9:36-38)**

The few call the many, by the hearing of The Gospel of Jesus Christ, as a trumpet call... it goes out. Many are drawn to its sound, some enter in and receive it, and some even continue and remain with Him enduring to the end, becoming prepared vessels to now bring forth fruit of God's Work and increase.

(Matthew 13:1-9, Matthew 20:20-23)

Do you have the heart to serve others, or does your heart desire that others serve you instead? Are you serving The Lord Jesus for the Love of The Truth He gave to you, with a heart of Charity, laying down your own life by laboring for others to receive the same? **(Matthew 20:25-28)**

Many may go out to serve, even having Faith in Jesus, but may not have good fruit. If we serve for immediate gain or reward, seeking admiration of man, our words then become vain and return void; often falling away from The Love of Jesus in a heart of all Charity when trying to bring forth fruit without patience or assurance. This fruit cannot endure to the end, instead, the partly grown fruit falls away from the vine when the winds come against it, purposely, to reveal The Truth of His Perfect Fruit versus that fruit we try to grow from our own ways. **(Luke 8:15, 1 Corinthians 13)**

Disciples tarry, learn and labor, but only God gives the fruit of increase from the Good Ground of His Foundation; formed of His Good (Righteous) Works that follow HIS Gospel. Our own "good" works are but filthy rags. Many in this world claim to be "good", to know "good", or even think to have "good" works by sight of man, but may not be what God calls Good, by Faith and not sight.

"And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God."
(Mark 10:18)

**the word "good" has different meanings, depending on what context it was used in. It can mean perfect in all righteousness, or it can refer to things of man of what is "pleasing to the sight" or "good for food".*

If we think we can make ourselves good, or our works good, and free from any evil then we are delusional and become worn out and overcome by this world and its roots and foundation of corruption that take even our most sincere intentions to be good, or do good, and comes against it with evil also present, keeping all to be partly good and partly evil. As we know, all are guilty, not one could overcome this "tree" (or even statue) until Jesus prevailed to pay the price and break us free from this captivity that all fell under. **(Genesis 2:17, Proverbs 6:18, Daniel 2:41-45, Acts 26:15-18)**

"If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?" **(Matthew 7:11)**

Good and Faithful servant?

Without the Promise of the Father to receive Power to go out to the nations you can do nothing of yourself, not even be good or good works. You can serve all day but see no increase of God's Good Work that is Fruitful and remains to the end.

Only The Works of The Father, in His Will, are fully Good and through our Faith in The Work of Jesus, His Works are made manifest from the increase of the Good that Jesus gave His servants first, and these gifts are now increased, to Love as He Loves us, using what we have received from His Goodness to be increased, and not what we made for our own self-righteousness to increase. **(Matthew 25:19-23)**

The Father searches the hearts and gives all to the Son, so we may tarry with The Words of Jesus and learn of Him, gathering at HIS Wedding Feast, in Covenant, and The Father knows who is who. From Disciple to Friend to Apostle, Prophet, Evangelist, Pastors, Teachers...Jesus gives gifts to man, and only HE knows our New Name and calls us forth in it as HE continues to grow and reveal His Perfect Fruit, until the fullness of time gathers all into One Body in Christ. **(Ephesians 4:11-16)**

The Good and Faithful servants enter into the Joy of The Lord and Jesus calls them Friend, and they are found doing what The Lord says to do, as The Spirit of Truth leads them and gives them the hour needed. In your labors Jesus will give you Rest in His Works, as your own labors decrease when His Works give the increase. Until then, His are planting and watering but it's the Works of God that gives increase that is made manifest in His timing, otherwise you may not see any Good, until God makes it manifest in His Works of hand, not your own. **(John 15:12-16)**

You are Holy as Jesus is Holy within you, and your Faith in Jesus is counted to you as Righteousness, and to serve others as He has serves you now sets you apart with Jesus who came to serve. **(Luke 22:27-34)**

Good and faithful servants continue with The Lord, take up their cross daily and follow HIM in His Daily Bread and Cup of His Covenant; these endure suffering and temptations, and afterward receive the Promise of The Father in all Power to go out to all the nations, to teach them all things by The Spirit of Truth of all Jesus said and commanded. That is...making disciples called out from all nations into His Eternal Kingdom, proclaiming to the end of the world. Amen

***"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen."* (Matthew 28:18-20)**

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In the Forests of Danger and Tribulation

Nothing is able to harm us or do permanent damage to us when we are following the path of Jesus's will for our lives. The enemy tries to get us to condemn ourselves by the impurities he offers to us to partake of... then we stumble, then we fall away... from truth, love and can no longer hear Jesus's still small voice leading us on the narrow path to life.

When facing dreadful situations – when we look unto Jesus in truth through His eyes, we have divine understanding that our current situations we are facing in fear are quite different than we imagined with our carnal minds. If we let fear rule over us, everything that attempts to pull us off course, is filtered through the lens of fear, but keeping our eyes on Jesus and believing in faith our victory is secured in Him... fear must flee by His love dwelling within our beings. Jesus hasn't lost a battle yet, so as we let go and let God, we too will walk as Jesus did, in victory.

It is imperative we take captive our thoughts, especially the ones which rise up against the truth established by Jesus. When we take captive thoughts that oppose the truth we are able to quickly discern the truth from a lie, so fear flees from us. Discernment means not coming into agreement with fear, by clinging only to that which is good, the truth, while relying on and believing in the promises of God.

When setting our minds on Jesus and things above in Heavenly places, we accept that storms may come and go but we KNOW where our help comes from... Him ALONE, so that we freely glorify Jesus and declare His wonderful works manifesting in our lives.

Jesus is our shelter in the storm, our hiding place and safety. Looking outwardly for rescue and protection is temporary, but with Jesus going before us – He prevents many attacks before they even manifest before us and then... even if moments are granted to us so we see He is always in the midst of the trial with us, working it all out for our good and His glory.

Psalm 147:3

He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

Countless times, too many to keep track of... the Lord Jesus has come to our aid when we are lonely, betrayed, suffering, hopeless and broken hearted and yet – here we are, still looking unto and clinging to Him, especially when our hearts are hurting. I can kind of see why He does allow our hearts to be broken into pieces at times, in that we look unto Him for our comfort and inner healing. He heals us and turns our woundedness into a healed scar as a testimony to what His love can do. Scars are just a healed expression of His touch that once was a gaping wound, tender to the touch. He makes us whole, restored by His love.

Mathew 9:35

And Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction.

Healing EVERY disease and EVERY affliction... Just think about that... When Jesus shows up – EVERYONE is healed of what ails them. This promise is for us too! Jesus is still Healer. And Teacher too! When healing is delayed it isn't because Jesus is not there in the moment, but rather He is working all things out for our own good – in that we may praise Him and only Him for the final outcome of healed deliverance. Can you imagine being in that day? When He was present in the flesh walking among the masses within a village and EVERY SINGLE disease and affliction was instantly healed? That's simply incredible... imagine the witnesses being sent out following such a miraculous event – going out, proclaiming the Gospel boldly in worship and celebration.

John 8:12

I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

Because of Jesus, we can follow imitating Him, being delivered having once walking as a child in darkness then He brings us into His marvelous light and we are forever changed with an inward expression of Him dwelling within us, shining as a beacon of light and hope to an unbelieving world. We have the blessed opportunity, should we choose it... to never, ever walk in darkness again because of Jesus.

Hebrews 6:18

God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged.

We have such hope in our precious Lord, knowing He never lies or deceives and all the promises contained within His word is true for those who desire to be His authentic child and obey Him because we love Him. Jesus is the Hope set before us, we may endure conflict for a night but the promises of all the fruits of His Holy Spirit is gifted internally within us, just as it is written. So may we too, be greatly encouraged today and always, assured He cannot lie and all truth resides and remains within Him and His word.

1 John 5:18

We know that anyone born of God does not continue to sin; the One who was born of God keeps them safe, and the evil one cannot harm them.

A beautiful promise... that quenches the twisted truth of mixture and second guessing spoken into us by whispers of the enemy – which we should be resisting by now... We are a born again follower of Jesus, we do receive what is written and we believe by following Him we will no longer be ruled over by our flesh nature and live a sinful lifestyle. Having been risen from the dead, brought into a new and glorious life that reflects the holiness of Jesus we know beyond a shadow of doubt the Lord keeps us safe and we are no longer tempted by evil or brought to harm by his desire to kill, steal and destroy us. It is now in Jesus we live and have our being and because we died, He lives eternally within us, we are not our own having been bought with a price, He covers our sins with His love, washing us clean, purified from all blemishes that taint the fleshly garment our souls dwell within.

Isaiah 43:2

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze.

It may look disastrous at times – storms may surround us, fires threaten our wellbeing and we may feel as if we shall be consumed by one or both. But God... He is with us through it all. And because He promises to never leave or forsake us, no matter what we are facing we shall not drown in the misery brought upon us, nor will we be consumed by anything sent to cause us harm. We are just simply brought through each one, so that it is no longer “I” who live, but Jesus rising up within each one of us to live. It is by Him, we move, live and have our being. May we each give Him glory for our day to day deliverance no matter what comes our way, He is there.

Psalms 91:4-7

He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth *shall be your shield and buckler*. You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, *Nor of the arrow that flies by day, Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness, Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday*. A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand; *But it shall not come near you.*

You are special, a chosen vessel in which Jesus dwells and He hasn't lost a battle yet, nor is He afraid... We may witness others falling away when faced with terrors, attacks, pestilence, darkness and destruction... but not us. We instead are granted a divine protection through His covering. We run to Jesus as our refuge, clinging to His truth and love which casts out all fear. We gravitate to and lay hold of His promises that no threats shall come near to us to destroy us or remove us from His capable hands.

Matthew 7:13-14

Enter by the narrow gate; for wide *is the gate and broad is the way* that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow *is the gate and difficult is the way* which leads to life, and there are few who find it.

There are so, so many humans on Earth and sadly the majority are on a self-chosen wide path that leads them to destruction. Again, this is by choice and even worse... Many who proclaim to be a Christian are by their own choosing blending into this same destructive path instead of choosing the narrow way that leads on to life by laying their lives down and following Jesus. This gate is so narrow because Jesus is the only way in which to enter through and seek walking holy as He is holy in such a sinful self-indulgent world – few, a very few find it... it was way less appealing than their vain lifestyle which feeds the lust of the flesh and unrighteous pleasures. People willingly and knowingly make the choice – to walk the difficult way which leads to life eternal or the broad way that leads to destruction. One day all will be without excuse for choosing the wrong way, but those who chose the narrow way will be welcomed in as a good and faithful servant unto Jesus. That day is quickly approaching, faster than most think, lying to themselves they have plenty of time to choose to enter in the narrow way, sadly.

Isaiah 30:21

Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, “This *is the way, walk in it,*” Whenever you turn to the right hand Or whenever you turn to the left.

For those who have chosen the narrow way... they love, love hearing Jesus's instructive words on how to walk to bring self to a close and a life laid down for Him to the forefront. We never have to guess what steps we take when we are listening to His righteous leading. His Word guides us always into all truth, so we carelessly walk by faith and not by sight or rebellion. May He always be our guiding force and may our ears continually be open to Jesus's leading.

Luke 17:33

Whoever seeks to save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life will preserve it.

I could talk an hour on this one... but am focusing on just one aspect the Lord laid on my heart for us today. The more people, who claim to be believers, eat of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil at an alarmingly increasing rate – the more they seek to save their own lives. When instead as His own, we are called to eat of One Tree, granted access to it – Jesus, only Jesus – Who is the word made flesh. The church all over the world is anemic and weak for not eating only of the commanded tree in midst of the garden – the Tree of Life – spiritually speaking, the Word of God found solely in the Bible can and does correct our thinking – weeding out the tares of questions, fear mongering, the perceived need of storing up treasures here on Earth to survive the next assumed disaster. Etc... As a reminder – the Lord on high, can and does sustain us, tending to every single little need we may have – just as He sent manna from Heaven daily to the Israelites and they complained they did not have enough to “store up” for the next day – people are doing so in these latter days. We need to repent from this, as a matter of fact we must repent and turn back to the ways of the Lord in that we do not end up losing our lives over grains, paper products and the like. In God’s Kingdom... only spiritual preparation matters and a little goes a long way, even if we have only enough for today – the Lord shall provide. Amen. We need to ask ourselves continually – What have we done with the treasures the Lord has granted us this day? Did we bury it for another day? Did we use it responsibly to show we are good stewards with little in that He may give us much? All we have been given is for our needs and the caring of others – not for storing up should the Lord present us with a life saving choice. The safest place to be in all calamity is in obedience to Him. When we obey Him, our lives are preserved from all harm that may otherwise destroy us eternally and temporal.

John 10:9-11

I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. ¹⁰ The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. “I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.

Jesus died for us, what a precious act of mercy. He is the only door by which humanity can enter into the Kingdom of God. When we die to self and dwell in Him right now, this moment... the thief may come towards us to steal, kill and destroy our souls – but he cannot do one thing unless we permit his control over us. Jesus gave us life, eternally and here on earth and He is abundant in His nature to give us only good things, by salvation and rest in His pasture of love. So what are we choosing to believe today? The promises of Jesus spoken over us which is truth or the whispering lies of the enemy who wants us destroyed? Jesus the Shepherd keeps careful watch over His flock. May we never stray away from Him, losing our placement of rest and peace.

Side Notes to Consider:

God is Spirit, and we worship Him in Spirit and Truth.

Jesus is The Word of God, and The Word came out from God.

God’s Word is One with His Body, in earth as it is in Heaven.

God’s Testimony is The True and Faithful witness of His Testament for us, sealed in His Blood.

The Word of God is God’s Promise of Eternal Salvation, for God is Love.

God’s Word came into the flesh, and His Word goes out to perform.

Jesus is The Word of God who took upon Himself flesh and blood, even death on The Cross as The Lamb of God, to pay the price for all sin. God saves and reconciles us into His Eternal Kingdom by His Word and Work of it. Only God can pay the price of His Own Law by His Blood and Rise His Word and Testament for us to have access to the Tree of Life by defeating all the power of death.

God’s Word is not divided, His Testaments are a witness to Himself, fulfilled and open for us to receive.

The fullness of The Word of God is made whole in One Accord, from Genesis to Revelation.

The Word of God is The True and Faithful Witness to Himself.

The Law and The Holy Prophets all pointed to, and waited upon, The Promise of The Messiah.

Behold The Lamb of God, The Eternal Sacrifice, unmovable.

“...Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.” (Revelation 5:13)

The Word of God descends and ascends from His Eternal Kingdom set apart, far above.

God’s Word holds Power over all creation and holds the keys to hell and death.

Jesus has overcome this world and is given Power over all flesh. He is the Breath of Life, The Word of God, who gives Eternal Life to as many as The Father has given to Him. These are redeemed from the earth, as His Inheritance to be gathered with Him out of all nations into His Eternal Kingdom, forever and ever.

“And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.” (Revelation 22:1-5)

November 2, 2025

Having a Grateful Heart, in Thanksgiving and Praise to The Lord

In the Mist...

Once our souls are touched by Jesus, something within us responds with excited anticipation as trials, storms and tribulations arrive upon our borders or the lives of others because we know... the Lord is up to something and we or whoever in that moment is on the brink of victory, redemption and release when He arrives to take charge. Storm clouds can be very scary to the eyes, but we know the promise of the son arising in our hearts once we have weathered the storm. We evolve into being a witness for Him as an encouragement to others that Jesus has not forsaken them either and in Him their victory and safety is secure.

There are times our complaints keep us continually going in circles for a bit or like Much Afraid discovered the option of... going round and around the mountain. Sometimes we can be our own worst enemy in those moments. But, I didn’t really realize how even those moments are imperative on our journey. Going in circles while seeking Jesus’s help does produce endurance, patience and strength, while we wait upon Him to act and at least we are not at a standstill, throwing in the towel altogether. Complaining always produces delays with our Lord, to our own fault.

But, as long as we do not turn back and away from Him – He shall bring us the whole way through to surrender.

We can go the easy way or the hard way, but if we belong to Him, we shall eventually submit.

When we PRAISE HIM IN THE STORM, it drowns out all voices that rise up and speak to us which oppose the Lord Almighty. Praises overtake suggestions of “what-if’s” and questioning Him and His showing up in our times of need. We were created to praise Him, so as long as we have breath, no matter what comes our way – we shall do just that... give Him glory, honor and praise, regardless of what approaches us by the natural eye.

I find it amazing that when Jesus looks upon us, He sees a reflection of Himself – having been bought with a heavy price, we are no longer our own – washed clean from the inside out. Jesus sees all of us in totality, looking unto us, He sees His vision of work complete, whole, with nothing undone – a finished work. He truly is the author and finished of our faith. And since He knows the end from the beginning, He is much more patient with us than we are ourselves.

May we never forget we have been granted freewill, to obey or not to obey. To choose light over darkness and good over evil. The devil didn't make us do anything; we chose it. Now thankfully, Jesus makes a way of escape, but still... we must own our part in falling away and rejecting the Lord's commands, choosing rebellion over life. Once we make this choice, our whole lives change as does our heart – we are gifted with a heart of repentance, over a heart of excuses.

In order to trust Jesus fully, we must love Him first.

Resentment resembles the mist Much Afraid was in... you cannot see spiritually that which is before you. In the evil order of things – pride breeds rebellion, which leads to resentment and then bitterness and vileness quickly follows after. What is inside, comes out as proof of who we really are. In those moments we leave our grateful heart, replacing it with a heart of complaints, in which the fruit produced openly in front of others is self-pity. We just witnessed this struggle in our book, didn't we? This temptation that comes, tries to get us to go back and turn away from the narrow path the Lord has chosen for us to journey on. We may slip, stumble, get injured and turn deaf when we cultivate these negative thoughts within ourselves. As a result, we become crabby, disagreeable, difficult to deal with and in danger of falling away from our faith and self-isolating ourselves from others due to our lashing out. People don't want to be around people who live in that realm, let's be honest. How you know someone is in this torment? They may apologize, but they do not change. Those who stay in this pit for too long, learn to manipulate others using empty words of apologies to get their way. You may hear them angrily say "I said I was sorry" implying we get over it... and all we can do at that point is pray for them while asking Jesus to intervene.

Nothing fills us with joy like serving Jesus by doing good unto others does. You do even a little good to someone in need and the joy you brought to them returns back to you multiplied. All created vessels of the Lord experience this established way of Him. If you haven't received this sort of blessing before, I pray you will try it and find out how wonderful and full you feel inside with you extend an act of kindness to someone who is hurting and suffering. I am excited even thinking about it, when I get hopeless sometimes – just one act of kindness restores my joy in ways unimaginable.

Psalm 119:114

You *are* my hiding place and my shield; I hope in Your word.

Oh my goodness, I wish someone would have told me 25 years ago to feast daily upon the Lord's word, in that I do not lose hope during trials and tribulations. I sort of had to figure this one out on my own. Which is why I am always reminding people to read the Word for strength and pure truth. No one told me that, which would have saved me much heartache. The Words of the Lord strengthen us, setting a shield of protection around us and deliver us from all doubt. When we are hidden in Jesus, we are safe, secure and granted hope no matter what comes our way.

Mathew 8:23-27

Now when He got into a boat, His disciples followed Him. And suddenly a great tempest arose on the sea, so that the boat was covered with the waves. But He was asleep. Then His disciples came to Him and awoke Him, saying, "Lord, save us! We are perishing!" But He said to them, "Why are you fearful, O you of little faith?" Then He arose and rebuked the winds and the sea, and there was a great calm. So the men marveled, saying, ¹⁴ "Who can this be, that even the winds and the sea obey Him?"

How often do we think Jesus isn't alert or attentive to the storms in our lives? Sometimes, I forget too and feel neglected by Jesus or like I do not matter to Him. This story gives us a glimpse into His ways and how our lack of faith in Him rebuking and calming events in our lives is more reflective of our questioning than His actual sovereignty. He arrives just in time in our lives when we are in distress and call out to Him for help. Lord we ask You to forgive us in times we too have little faith, faith in You especially to show up for us in our times of need. So let this be our reminder today to exercise faith instead of fear when the next storm arises in our lives.

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith, not by sight.

I picked this scripture because it compliments the last one so very well. We are more settled and hopeful when we put all our trust in Jesus – having faith that He will show up for us, is protecting us and that not one hair on our heads will be harmed without His oversight. We always have a tendency to worst case scenario things due to our lack of faith, but when we walk our faith out, even when we cannot see the next steps to redemption – Jesus floods our hearts with reassurance He is there in the midst of the storm and in Him we are victorious, no matter what, we shall not perish.

2 Timothy 2:24-26

And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and *that* they may come to their senses *and* escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.

Once we lay to heart our personal need to repent and are insured we are walking in love and mercy to all, including our enemies... we no longer oppose ourselves or others. We let go of being "right" having a desire all are saved by having a repentant heart towards the Lord in truth and surrendered to doing His will – not their own and certainly not the enemy's. God is for us, He is granting repentance via the heart to so many each day, so they too walk in truth. When the Lord brings someone to their senses – He shakes them, even violently quite often, so they will listen to gentle instruction. If you are NOT gentle, void of quarreling, patient and loving others more than yourself... DO NOT CORRECT and/or instruction anyone, not ever. If you do... the Lord's mighty hand of correction will fall down upon you, sometimes immediately, so all pride and vain desires is broken. We all deal with people who oppose themselves, due to an internal battle of good vs. evil – but we are not to be one of them, seeking to change the other person, neglecting our own sinful ways.

Mathew 5:11-12

Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

A prophet here is simply one who carries God's Word/the Gospel within them... Just wanted to make sure we don't stumble over that word and think this scripture doesn't apply to us, because it does. Everyone who has the Word of God etched upon their hearts and has laid their lives down to serve Jesus are reviled, persecuted, spoken about in an evil way and falsely accused because they lift up the truthful name of Jesus. We are blessed to be a vessel of His, glad actually the enemy expectedly comes after us to accuse – because our reward is in heaven, not here. It is to be expected, it is actually uplifting when it happens and your pride is gone. Those who still have pride within them complain, His disciples rejoice!

Psalms 145:3

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; And His greatness is ^(a)unsearchable.

I just wanted to edify Him with us today... So I added this one in. The Lord is great and present in our lives – so much so man cannot count all the ways in which to praise Him. But we surely can try to thank Him for His wonderful ways and how He is so, so good to us. Thank You Lord – we honor and worship You today with our whole hearts, we give You glory!

1 Peter 2:9

But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light

I chose this one, as another reminder to us of who we actually are... as we think, so are we – therefore, we need to remind ourselves constantly – we are LIGHT not darkness. If we think it... we will more easily walk it out. You personally were chosen by the Lord as His own – He picked YOU as His own special one. He did this in that You shall proclaim to others praises about Him as Lord in your life. There was a time while walking in darkness, we never uttered a word of praise about Him – but now... having been called out from where darkness dwells, being filled with light, praising Jesus should be consistently on our lips. Glory to You Lord Jesus!

Isaiah 55:8-9

For My thoughts *are* not your thoughts, Nor *are* your ways My ways," says the LORD. "For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts.

I don't mean to state the obvious... but how intentional is this scripture today! What was more hidden in the past, even 10 years ago reflects the outstanding line between dark and light. The Lord's thoughts and ways in stark contrast to man's. It is with great rejoicing, even through all the purifying trials and heartbreaks we can thank Him for delivering us early, knowing what was to come. He made sure to pull us out of darkness, before it got any darker than it already was. The purifying started early and intense for us, but aren't we grateful He did this for us sooner than later? Now in truth we can say... Not my will be done Lord, but Yours... in humbleness we know He is so much higher than us all the way around – in thinking and in His ways. None are good – only Him and it is through Him any redeeming qualities exist within us individually. Thank You Lord for redeeming us from the times we are to occupy until You come!

December 18, 2025

Jesus... The LIGHT of the World!

Let your light SHINE before others... Mathew 5:16

We, collectively, shine brighter when joined within the fellowship of LIGHT through the abiding presence of Jesus within us individually. In His light we find; peace, love and abiding joy of the Spirit, in which He grants unto us from His dwelling within. As darkness flees from within our hearts and minds, it is in His abiding in us, we shine forth His essence, as a beacon of hope to those still overtaken in darkness, lighting the way for all to witness the incredible and awesome glory of the Lord Jesus.

For you were once in darkness, but are now you are light, walk as children of light. Ephesians 5:8

The more we surrender to Jesus and His ways, the more darkness He removes from within us, in that we become that pillar of light He has predestined us to be, shining forth as a beacon of hope to those who might not otherwise have their spiritual eyes of enlightenment opened quite yet. As darkness continues to unmask itself upon the Earth, YOU are ordained to shine forth, ushering that promising light of love found only in Him.

The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death, a light has dawned. Isaiah 9:2

The Word tells us... Unto them a child is born. And not a typical child, but One Who would change the World by the steps He would take. ushering in eternal, life giving light. He made the darkness tremble just by His presence, shook the Nations and grieved the religious, because no one could ever accomplish what He set forth to do... Defeat darkness while

eliminating evil in the hearts of all who willing said, “Yes,” to Him. And why did He come? For you and for me, for the lost, the rejected and the dreadful captives of sin, lust and evil acts.

I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance. Luke 5:22

Time is so very short to make that decision to whole-heartedly lay your life down for Jesus and let Him take over for you; all the heavy burdens of worry and weights of sin you cannot even forgive yourself for, Jesus is waiting for you to ask Him to take over your life from here. He forgives all, who call out to Him, of all... Washing us clean, making us whole again, so in truth we can enjoy His abiding within us and authentically, go and sin no more. Being Holy as He is Holy is not something we can accomplish on our own. We need His help to overcome all things that easily ensnare us. But with Jesus all things are possible, including seizing this opportunity today for newness, where the light dwells casting out all shadows of darkness in our hearts and minds.

It is my prayer for you... That Jesus grant you renewed hope in Him, as you embrace this opportunity to be changed from the inside out, by the renewing of your mind and heart, in that you are singularly focused on Him, shining forth as a beacon of hope to others. May all see Jesus in you, by the laying down of your life, just as He so willingly did for each one of us, granting us light and life eternally.

Just one light makes a difference... Especially you!

In His Everlasting Love ~ Angela

Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. Mathew 13:43

December 18, 2025

The Floods...

The Lord is really calling us to all... let go of the ordinary in order to receive excellency. He desires strongly to give us good gifts and sometimes the greatest obstacle is ourselves. Concerning our Master and Lord we do not think big enough at just what He not only desires to do in our lives but how He shall unfold His blessed desires to be woven into the tapestry of us. Our human understanding limits His performance in so many ways because we forget His ways are much higher than ours. To dream with God is breathtaking, the problem is... rarely do we take time to just be still and be in awe of His majesty that surrounds us.

It can be very frightening to consider forfeiting human love in exchange for fulfillment in His. Being willing to relinquish all counterfeit love that we can see, touch and feel exposes much of our frailties that give a false sense of security, revealing human tendencies of: fear, bitterness, resentment, pride and self-pity. Taking that leap is not for the faint hearted and I am so grateful Jesus keeps wooing us with His love, the only love that does not pull back or is used to control us.

I was thinking about how our lives sometimes resembles a flood... overwhelming, unexpected, destructive, uncontrollable and even a powerful force that seems to just do what it wants to do while we observe. In those times like no other, we must: focus on the promises of God we already know to be true, remember we are not our own having been bought with a very heavy price – the life of Jesus – which reveals just how priceless we are and that His love cannot be earned or bought, be mindful we already said “yes” to Him and where else would we even go considering we already are lost and hidden within a darkened vast world and lastly we need to entertain the “even if” moments in our lives brings clarity to us about us and if we are in sincerity truly sold out to Jesus or not.

Something else that crossed my mind in this chapter is how when we are approaching our Heavenly seats with Jesus, we can no longer simply fake it by relying on our own strength. It is in these times, that are perfectly designed to deplete our strength in that we rely only on His. I like to call this, “the real secret place.” Where we are totally decreased to nothing... He rises up within. In all actuality in these moments we realize we don’t need “us” and we don’t need “self” – we only need Him.

Lastly, He wanted me to remind us all of a beautiful scripture... **John 17:17, which says... Sanctify them by your truth, your word is truth.** We all know and hopefully believe His word is truth, that’s a given. But many times, we discount or minimize the crucial derivative of His Word is how we are actually sanctified. It’s pretty grieving to see how we try and try again to sanctify and make ourselves Holy at times. This word sanctify means to: separate from profane things, be a person dedicated to God, be cleansed both internally and externally, to rend one Holy having been cleansed from impure desires. Jesus prayed for us that the Father would sanctify us by His Word... and yet, very few even partake of His Word considering how sacred an act that truly is when we lay His Word to our hearts – seek to obey Him – it changes us. We used to try our best to clean the outside of the cup for others... but you want to know what gets the Lord’s attention? It is when we study to show ourselves approved only before HIM, not people so they are impressed by us or think we are sanctified by how many passages we can quote... but to whole heartedly lay His word to our hearts and be transformed by the renewing of our minds, sober, desiring the solidity found within His established Word, eternally sealed and approved by God Himself – for the right reasons only, not vain ones.

2 Corinthians 5:7

For we walk by faith, not by sight.

This one just keeps coming up for us during this whole study doesn’t it? I am thankful for the reminder because often it is moment to moment we are having to believe Jesus has us during the next step we are going to take, having no eyes to see what threats lay before us or turmoil we might face.

Colossians 3:2

Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth.

When we do this... we have joy, unspeakable and I often forget, only to end up in a heap of tears. Sometimes we just have to cry it out to see clearly, don’t we? We know after the tears are shed, where our hope comes from don’t we? From the Lord, so we look up to Him always and are lifted back up to stand on solid ground upon Him. It is impossible to not have the victory when the One Who is keeping you secure is Jesus. Everything on Earth shall pass away, but He never shall, nor do His spoken promises over our lives.

Psalms 37:4

Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart.

Many people misquote this Scripture by leaving off the beginning, saying the Lord is going to give me the desires of my heart – only to be let down and upset with Him when He delays or says no altogether for their desires to not come to pass because they do not align with His will for your life. In order to have your heart’s desire be granted, your heart must change to one that only desires Him and His will first and foremost... You eventually get to a place where if something is not His will for your life, it is not your desire to have it remain in your life or enter into your heart ever again.

Matthew 7:11

If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask Him!

Our Father stands guard continually over His children with a yes and a no, opening and closing doors as the gatekeeper to our lives when we are surrendered to Him fully. We must do our part in not overstepping Him, granting entrance to things He has not

authorized to be present for our good. Here's the good news... our Father only gives good gifts to us and He wants to give us more and more – we cannot even imagine all the good things He has planned and in store for us honestly, but where we fail is we try taking those things He did not design for us to fill the voids in our lives in place of what He is wanting to shower us with.

Psalm 23:5

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.

I first just have to say, thank You Lord Jesus... this scripture could mean many things to many people, but to me it touches me so deeply I hardly have words to explain my heart of gratitude. Nothing can move us or shake us when we invite Jesus's presence into our lives, He fills us to running over when we are content with Him.

Hebrews 12:26-27

...whose voice then shook the earth; but now He has promised, saying, "Yet once more I ^{will} shake not only the earth, but also heaven." Now this, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of those things that are being shaken, as of things that are made, that the things which cannot be shaken may remain.

We get a little shaking every once in awhile and we need it... or we would all be caught off guard sleeping spiritually way to often, no doubt. Nothing calls you to attention quicker than a shaking going on in your life – remember all 10 virgins were asleep and shaken awake. Just because He shakes us does not guarantee the outcome will reflect the wise who enter into His rest in those moments. The Father shakes us, to wake us, to remove everything that should not have influence over our lives so that we let go and let God work to remove anything not of Him and let only that which is Holy and permissible remain. I find it so awe inspiring the Father watches over us to insure nothing impure lays a stronghold over us assigned by the enemy to kill, steal and destroy.

1 Samuel 15:22

"Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, As in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, And to heed than the fat of rams.

We all seem to look for ways to be pleasing unto the Lord, may we mindful of that which pleases Him the most is our obedience. Obedience overshadows our works even. Even though we are to lay our lives down for others, it is only pleasing to Him when we do so in a timely and orderly way when He gives the command for us to do so, otherwise even that work is done in vain.

Job 13:15

Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him. Even so, I will defend my own ways before Him.

We get the first part quite well... the rest of the story is how we quickly rise to attention to defend our own ways of doing things before Him. And when we do... He slays us in that we learn to not lean upon our own solutions and act accordingly but rather submit to Him so that He is the One orchestrating each step we take.

Mathew 7:25

...and the rain descended, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house; and it did not fall, for it was founded on the rock.

In the same sense... we are a house, a dwelling place for the Lord on high... and no matter what floods or storms come, those who are secured grounded in Jesus as the rock of the home shall not fall. Not because of our strength, but in spite of it – for in our brokenness, He is made strong to hold us in tact no matter what comes our way.

John 4:14

...but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.

John 7:38

He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.

Revelation 22:17

And the Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let him who hears say, "Come!" And **let him who thirsts come. Whoever desires, let him take the water of life freely.**

Jeremiah 2:13

For **My people have committed two evils:** They have **forsaken Me, the fountain of living waters,** And hewn themselves cisterns—broken cisterns that can hold no water.

What is this water our souls so thirst for and something within us fights the urge to drink of it, so we resist? Water in these scriptures are an allegory that represents how we can be so very parched, dehydrated even to the point of demise and death and still reject receiving the life granted unto us by receiving and partaking of all He has to give to bring life and healing unto our perishing souls. Some drink from so many wells and yet are never fully quenched in thirst because they need living water – only that which Jesus can give fully satisfies and they are extremely discontented with their lives, out of them does not flow living water, but bitter. For those like the bride mentioned here in Revelation 22 – both the Holy Spirit and the bride of Christ in unison is saying to all who will listen... Come to Jesus, desire Him, take all He has to offer and live freely. Isn't that just so beautiful?! Last thing on this... I was doing some research – Did you know every single living thing – plant, animal, the Earth, clouds, everything – needs water to be sustained? I could go on, but I won't... sometimes I just marvel at how the Father holds everything together in such a precious way, including using water as the base for all life.

January 26, 2026

Hear and Keep...

We hear many things in this world, many promises, many "truths"; but few seem to keep what they say, walk as they say, let alone have any truth remain when tested by God and time. We fall short, and our works do not endure, revealing God's Truth versus mans "truths".

"Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand." (Revelation 1:3)

If we cannot keep what we say we agree with, believe upon, then we are covenant breakers. From the beginning man could not keep what the Lord God had spoken.

"And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it." (Genesis 2:15)

Often, we hear The Truth of God and we agree, but we fall short to keep those things we have heard. There is no man that can keep the law of God and all that The Lord God has spoken, only God can keep His Word. And there is no man that can endure to the end without God's Covering, Love, and Mercy through His Word.

"And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life; Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field; In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return." (Genesis 3:17-19)

Man strives and debates only to fall deeper into pride, force, and violence. The more their own works fail them they blame others, and the noise of proud voices get so loud that none can hear or see anymore. Mankind cannot keep their own works from failing them and falling away over and over to the ground, back into "dust", as unfruitful works that cannot endure, carried away by the winds.

“Woe to the multitude of many people, which make a noise like the noise of the seas; and to the rushing of nations, that make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters! The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: but God shall rebuke them, and they shall flee far off, and shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before the wind, and like a rolling thing before the whirlwind.”

(Isaiah 17:12-13)

We cannot save ourselves or think we can make our own new “adam” and conquer the law of sin and God that way. No matter how hard mankind tries they cannot conquer sin or overcome time. Many believe in lies trying to make their own gods, their own image, and their own devices; striving to keep their own works of flesh from falling away back to dust.

“Woe unto him that striveth with his Maker! Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it, What makest thou? or thy work, He hath no hands?” (Isaiah 45:9)

Time was made for man so all could learn and consider these things, to reveal sin, and reveal the Way, Truth, and Life, to The Eternal Restoration of the New Man in Christ Jesus, Salvation by God, in God’s Image, not mans. Salvation is The Way of escape, given to us by God, so all mankind may learn the price was paid for sin through God’s Spirit sent to finish the work of God at The Cross, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Not by the works of our own hands.

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.” (John 10:1)

Without Jesus paying the price to free us all from the captivity of flesh, none would be saved. There are none righteous in the flesh, no matter how clean we think we are, or how right in our own eyes, we cannot keep ourselves, our own words, or works. We endure for a time then we fall short, tossed back and forth, temporarily we do good then we do not.

“For I delight in the law of God after the inward man: 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. O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death? 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.” (Romans 7:22-25)

God’s sight is much higher than mans, and we are to strive to be pleasing in His Sight, what He Names as Righteous, and the fruit of His Eternal Works.

“Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight. 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.” (1 John 3:21-23)

First, we learn that we cannot save ourselves, and even God’s temporary coverings were not given to us to have power over the law of sin but teach us first by revealing sin. God’s Law uncovers sin, makes us all naked before Him, but God’s Love pays the price for sin so we may be eternally covered in and by Him. Not of our own self or as if we make the coverings to hide under.

“John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire: Whose fan is in his hand, and he will thoroughly purge his floor, and will gather the wheat into his garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.” (Luke 3:16-17)

Second, we learn true humility through forgiveness, so we may Love others as God Loves us. If this Love of God is within us then we have the same heart to keep those things HE said, to follow Him, so that our own words start to align with His, that we may hear and keep His Word within us, trust in, and believe upon, to now walk so our Words are One with His and endure to the end, eternal covering, Covenant Restored, so we can now Love others as He Loves us.

“Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.” (John 14:23)

If we hear Jesus, we hear and receive His Words of Promise from the Father, and we agree and keep those things He has said through the Power of His Love poured out of His Spirit to us and commanded towards us by The Father in His Promise for us, through The Lamb of God given all power to take away the sin of the whole world, now we may receive and keep, and be kept.

“Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.” (Revelation 3:10)

It is not because we did it but because The Lord Jesus Christ did at The Cross, coming into time from outside time, paying the price to break the curse over all time, forever. Now we may receive and keep His Commandments that the Father sent through The Son, and we are One in His Holy Covenant sealed by His Blood and Righteousness that we may now receive and agree in One, as a new creature in Christ.

“For as by one man’s disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.” (Romans 5:19)

As He is Righteous we may now walk in Him and be righteous in the sight of God, (no longer striving in the sight of man), for we know that all that is in the flesh is blinded and cannot see or hear unless Jesus heals them through His Spirit of Truth poured out by God’s Love and forgiveness unto restoration, by God keeping His Covenant with man, not man who always breaks it.

“The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.” (Psalm 18:2)

All have fallen short, all are covenant breakers, but even worse in the last time many have also become truce breakers, denying Peace with God through Jesus Christ. Some claim to serve The Lord God, and to be in Covenant, but many do not do what He has said and their walk does not align with their words, they hear but cannot keep it, and are powerless to do so.

“He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father’s which sent me.” (John 14:24)

We are called to come out of all this below and rise above; kept in His Ark, lifted up above the waters below, we “take flight” by the power of Jesus who lifts us up to be kept in His Word, by The Promise of The Father, so we may rise above the waters below and hear His Voice and follow Him, and not be swallowed up and snared by the sea of voices below to be found among their roarings.

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

We are sifted as wheat to then be kept in His Barn, the land of Promise, so we may delight in the Lord God and be given mercy and space as a new creature in Christ, to grow in Him, and follow Jesus to move over the waters and be kept to bring forth fruit of His Spirit.

“But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.” (Luke 8:15)

If we are provoked and take the snare of the provocation and fall backwards again to fight evil with evil, eye for an eye, then we will reap what we are sowing in return and receive the just reward of our deeds. If we sow to the flesh we will reap the works of flesh, if we sow violence we will reap violence.

“He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.” (Revelation 13:10)

Evil responses reap evil in return, and this snare leads many into the captivity of perpetual desolations. All must be measured by the same word one judges with. What you say and do to others you live and die by the same, you must reap what you sow, and all in Adam are under the curse of the law of sin that holds power over it, none escape it. Jesus made the Only Way of escape, revealing the Truth of God in Him, making The Way to have Life, and Life Eternal.

“Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord. Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.”
(Romans 12:17-21)

At times we may feel trapped in at all sides surrounded by tall waves we can feel like a tiny island that is getting smaller and smaller as the sea and waves crash over all around it inside a large storm.

Jesus was surrounded on all sides and He knows how we feel, and He knows the Will of The Father, and how to walk through and above it all. As we follow Jesus He says to not fear, He will never leave us, no matter how it may look at times; even if for a short time it feels like we may be overtaken, sink and drown.

Peter started to sink and Paul was shipwrecked, but they were not bitter or forsaken. They passed through it all by the Love of God with them and in them, and nothing could hurt or stop the walk of their Testimony as they followed Jesus and fulfilled all they were called to do and say.

“Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.” ***(Romans 5:1-2)***

No storm or shipwreck, or any other trouble, can stop those called by Jesus from fulfilling their walk of their Testimony in Him who are called and chosen to walk it out to fulfill on earth what is written in heaven. Not even death and hell can stop the work thereof of His Word and Testimony that overcomes all for our Testimony to be kept in Him forever.

“Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.” ***(Jude 24-25)***

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High Places

One of the beautiful things we get to behold in *Much Afraid* is the results of when we press into the purifying tests in our lives instead of rebelling or running away from them. Once we are delivered from a test, when we look back our hearts are too filled with joy, containing a great testimony of what God can do. Did we have questions at times? Definitely. But later with full understanding we go from only seeing in part the situation to knowing the full truth that was set before us the whole time.

It is in the high places all assumptions melt away, in that only the purity of truth remains and we can finally see!

As we lean upon the everlasting arms of Jesus – where He takes us is limitless! Instead of leaning upon our own understanding in fear, dread and hesitancy we start to walk upon water and trust without seeing when going through life’s many detours.

Sometimes we flounder because we forget to actually accept the help Jesus is offering us. When this happens complaining takes hold and we delay the deliverance process, its like getting stuck in quicksand.

Sometimes we must fight the battle of loneliness and fall into His embrace, only to be held in His comfort during the moments of being set apart. It can feel like a wilderness moment, as if you are truly alone – which is what being set apart actually is, it is you and just Jesus. And it is purposed so we learn the real value of He is all we truly need for wholeness and joy.

Loss binds us to Jesus in ways plenty cannot. Read that one again...He truly does give and He truly does take away. I was thinking – what if we really believed that every single thing removed benefited us to the same degree to what is given does? Can you imagine how our thoughts would change if we trust Him that much? And how much thanksgiving would fill our hearts? We would rejoice at the losses just like we do the blessings.

We should never attempt to wrestle with God and try to evade His will being done in our lives. The secret place of the land flowing with milk and honey called the Promised Land is... laying our will down in exchange for His, which is perfect, complete and restful.

He is teaching us how to forgive others without traces of bitterness so that we stop fearing what man or the enemy can do to us so that the forces of evil cannot possibly prosper in our lives.

Jesus sees us as a whole completed work, even while He is doing a mighty work within us. Even in our frailties He has great hope and compassion cast towards us because His love is pure and very patient in mercy.

A lovely promise in His Word to cling to is: All circumstances we respond to by holiness can and will be transformed by the touch of His hand.

Philippians 4:8

“Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy—meditate on these things.”

The word MEDITATE is key here... It means to think about and focus on the most. Nothing will pull you down faster than focusing on things outside of what God has said, His truth and promises over us – more than we hear His still small voice.

People run to and fro these days seeking much knowledge outside of knowledge delivered straight from the Lord Himself. So they are in a panic, unsober state, worried about tomorrow and the events unfolding before them. They listen to probable what-if's man throws at them constantly.... Only to run to and fro all the more.

But God says... not an optional suggestion, but an actual command we chose whether to obey or not:

To only focus on the most or think about the most that which is worthy of HIS PRAISE, virtuous topics, the good reports, lovely things found only in His kingdom, topics which are PURE and do not taint our souls with spots and blemishes, that which is just and noble and most importantly... whatever things are TRUE.

How do we know if something is true? One it is Biblical, two it doesn't encourage evil or assumptions and three it showers you with peace instead of dread, fret or unrest. Nothing in the Book of Revelation brings panic to us when we read it, does it? Because it is grounded in truth, watering the truth already seated within us. I will tell you what brings fright concerning the Book of Revelation, it is when man interprets it for you, adds to it or takes away from what is brought forth in the wholeness of the message conveyed – which is: WE are not appointed to God's wrath.

We must read the Bible for ourselves, to discern truth from a lie especially in these days.

Next... quickly... Abide in the Lord, do we truly know what this means? Can anything harm Him? No, Jesus defeated death and is victorious. I say that because when we are truly abiding in Jesus, we have a fortified covering the enemy or people cannot penetrate. We are sealed, secure, unharmed, no matter what comes, we shall not perish. There is no safer place to be than in surrendered obedience to Him.

Did you know to abide is a verb (action word) and not an adjective (describing word)? I say that because so many people think it is describing them instead of requiring action on their part.

When we abide in Jesus, we are welcoming Jesus into us to reform our desires, direct our will according to His plans and take over our lives completely. To abide is to daily, moment by moment – choosing obedience over convenience and trusting His commands even when they challenge our comfort. It is remaining faithfully secure, when our prayers seem to be delayed and our growth feels slow. Abiding looks like choosing the ways of Jesus with humility when no one is looking but Him. Those who abide in Him, choose holiness all the time, not just when someone is watching. When we abide in Jesus His life and love flows through us to produce faith when we used to be driven by fear, peace where there was once chaos and endurance when we once wanted to give up. Abiding is learning to live from His presence and dwelling daily in His love, letting Him lead, correct and strengthen us as a result of Him being Lord over our lives. To abide in faith is to completely trust that staying close to Jesus is enough because everything we need flows from Him. And He is enough.

I really hope and pray this helps someone today, to just rest in Him and trust in Him to get us through each day, no matter what we may face... Our hope and our help comes only from Him. Abiding in Jesus is like reaching the Promised Land spiritually where you maintain that peace which surpasses human understanding knowing no weapon shall prosper against you and not one hair on your head may be touched and even if... So what? You've attained the only Prize of any real value, Jesus Himself.

February 24, 2026

Defining error and keeping centered on Jesus

Jesus speaks of having eyes to see but still not able to see, and having ears to hear but still not able to hear; have we considered this for ourselves in all Truth?

***“Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart?”
(Job 38:36)***

It has become easy to eat and drink from many tables in this world, like a large buffet on a broad platform speaking and showing many things. By what lens are we using when we take it in, or do we even have one?

***“The light of the body is the eye: therefore when thine eye is single, thy whole body also is full of light; but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness. Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness.”
(Luke 11:34-35)***

If what you take in causes you confusion and fear, that is torment, and you should lay it down and consider fasting and prayer by filling with The Word of God seeking understanding from above. If what you take in leaves you needing more with endless searching and never satisfied, that is lust, and you should cut it off by seeking first to be fulfilled by The Word of God from above. Either side is off balance and can reveal to you the source of what you are taking in, or the foundation you are standing upon when doing so. All these things can show us “where we are” in Truth.

“But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:” (Matthew 6:20)

“Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.” (Luke 12:33)

Strongholds are things we place highest, we lift up and look upon, or even a placement or lens we look out from. There can be many things we lift up or look upon in fear or even in admiration; either way we are giving worship to what we place highest in our mind and the desires of our heart we are seeking out.

***“Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field.”
(Matthew 13:44)***

We are to fear The Lord God in Love and Reverence so that nothing else can be lifted up in this placement, for there is nothing higher or even beside The Lord God, all things are beneath Him.

***“Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me.”
(Mark 10:21)***

We are to have only One High Tower we abide within and rest upon. We cannot abide and serve in multiple towers or think to keep building a tower of our own higher to be placed next to God. We are blind if we think to see or measure by our own sight or by our own strength, no matter how high we think we are.

“Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock. And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.” (Matthew 7:24-27)

If we are rooted and grounded in The Lord, then we have His sight and placement through The Spirit of Truth who discerns and guides and teaches us by granting us understanding in the heart. This type of understanding is a gift from God and not of man, raised up by The Lord's work in our hearts. Without God giving us this we cannot see or hear to understand, no matter how wise we think we are in our own mind.

***“My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.”
(Psalm 49:3)***

With an understanding heart granted from The Lord God above we are no longer moved by anything we hear or see here below. Man's highest towers are still far below in a pit of their own mind, for even those building at the very top of the sides thinking to be so much higher than all others, they are foolish and cannot see they are still in a pit, blinded to see “where they are” in Truth until The Lord God uncovers it and reveals it to draw all out of it.

***“Thou shalt also consider in thine heart, that, as a man chasteneth his son, so the Lord thy God chasteneth thee.”
(Deuteronomy 8:5)***

What we fear, admire, and reverence, we honor, serve, and worship.
It is that simple.

“(For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Egypt; and how we came through the nations which ye passed by; And ye have seen their abominations, and their idols, wood and stone, silver and gold, which were among them:) Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe, whose heart turneth away this day from the Lord our God, to go and serve the gods of these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood; And it come to pass, when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying, I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst: The Lord will not spare

***him, but then the anger of the Lord and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the Lord shall blot out his name from under heaven.”
(Deuteronomy 29:16-20)***

When we are rooted and grounded, abiding in The Word of God, we can hear and see all things of this world and not be moved by any of it, however, much known much required. As we grow in The Lord we learn not to be so quick to judge, quick to speak, or quick to think we are wise. In fact, the more The Lord God reveals to us the more we realize how wrong we are and how much higher His Way is than ours, and His thoughts than ours.

“But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.” (1 Corinthians 2:9)

Let us continue with the Mind of Christ, renewed Mind of Salvation sealed in Him, a gift from God not of man, so that having Peace with God we can lay our own mind down with Christ and enter into His rest to lean on Him and no longer our own mind. Upon this foundation The Lord God can grant us an understanding heart so that we may grow up in Him now and be made whole, no longer being tossed back and forth calling evil good and good evil, divided in hardened hearts and a mind with no peace.

***“This I say therefore, and testify in the Lord, that ye henceforth walk not as other Gentiles walk, in the vanity of their mind, 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: Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.”
(Ephesians 4:17-19)***

We seek to be restored back to Godly order, healed and converted, rooted and grounded that we may grow up in Him, from the good soil that we have laid down upon. At The Cross we die with Christ so He may rise us up a new, transforming all things into understanding so that we may point to Him and say this is who and what we waited upon, His Words coming to pass, so that whatever comes upon the world we lift up the Name of The Lord and we point to His Word and say He told us all these things would come, and are coming, and shall come, and we can finally see clearly now and understand, for He told us beforehand what would come in the last times.

***“Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts: and then shall every man have praise of God.”
(1 Corinthians 4:5)***

We lift up The Word of God as our High Tower, and in this heavenly placement we may see clearly all The Lord Jesus opens up to us. As we see and point to Him, we hear and point to Him, for The Word of God already declared all these things shall come but to Rest in Him, Trust Him, and this Peace with God far exceeds anything we face here below, for it is all beneath Him and under His foot where the Gospel of Peace through Jesus Christ prevails and overcomes the world, even the law of sin and death.

“But and if ye suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid of their terror, neither be troubled; 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: 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.” (1 Peter 3:14-16)

***“And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”
(Philippians 4:7)***

March 23, 2026

"Jesus is watching" ...

What does He see of us?

Difficult seasons are temporary, but what does that look like and what do we look like in them? We have heard many times... *"this too shall pass"*, but when it does pass it reveals what we were trusting upon, doing, and dwelling with, through that season and time.

"For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."
(2 Corinthians 4:16-18)

Perilous times come, but they will not remain forever. In and out of seasons we are growing to become children ruled by The Lord's Kingdom, faithful and unmovable; no longer rebellious children ruled by these kingdoms below, who are tossed back and forth by each season and time.

"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: 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; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 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."
(Ephesians 4:13-16)

We grow by enduring in The Faith of Christ Jesus through many seasons of what evil is doing inside the kingdoms of this world. As Jesus said... *"My kingdom is not of this world"*. Suffering persecution and afflictions of this world we continue our Faith in The Word of The Lord in His Kingdom, not turning back and falling away into unbelief because of temporary circumstances.

Let us continue growing upon the sure foundation, found in Christ Jesus, and His Goodness shall bring us through each trial and tribulation we continue in, for He will never leave us or forsake us, for The Lord God will deliver us through them all, even to the very end of our own walk here.

"I will bless the Lord, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons. I have set the Lord always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved."
(Psalm 16:7-8)

Man's outward form cannot endure, and time reveals how man does perish day by day, physically and spiritually. It is the inward man that God forms that endures forever, and trials and tribulations come to grow our inward man.

Often, this is how pride is removed, when in and out of seasons we learn how weak our own strength is and these circumstances reveal outwardly how we cannot endure by our own righteousness. Situations often expose this and cause us to be weak in Faith or weak over sin, so we may learn, and The Lord is merciful toward us and will never leave us or forsake us, as we continue with a heart towards Him then our weakness only grows us even closer to Him, in all Truth, through it all.

We continue to follow Jesus and when the night season comes, He is our redeemer and deliverer. Our Faith in Him, in His Word, has sanctified us that we may walk through the night and The Eternal Light of God and The Lamb is with us. Let us not be found like a foolish virgin, having only a "form" of godliness with us in outward appearance of light that runs out in the night season when all outward light is taken away.

"And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof." (Revelation 21:23)

The night season reveals the truth of our inward form now exposed by our outward countenance. If it is born of God our light remains by His Light, but if it is of man then our light is taken away and we are found left in a dark countenance of confusion in chaos, empty and void of His Spirit to guide us through the night.

"Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." (John 14:17)

All must be revealed, so all know in truth where they are, when they are, and who they are; that all may have space to consider it perfectly and repent. Times of trouble shake and sift us so we may learn, and only Truth remains, before there is no more time to do so.

"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." (Psalm 23:4)

When we have received the Truth we keep it within us and it does not fall away from our mind but is kept deep within our heart. We are growing together with it, season by season. And in times of trouble The Word stands up within you, comes to your remembrance, teaches and guides you, lighting the path so you may walk, step by step, season by season, trial by trial, He is there in the very hour needed.

Little ones in The Lord are growing, and from a tiny seed new growth shoots forth, and God seals and watches over them all. Those who believe upon Him are like little buds sprouting and growing new life, enduring all seasons, seasons of good and seasons of trials.

Every purpose of God is in and out of seasons that grow us, even if some prune us. Growth is not how big you think you, growth is in the form of who you are. Many times we are pressed down like unleavened bread, to humble us in Truth, and it's The Lord God that brings increase afterward. No man can form himself or add measure of spirit, but God can lift us up and call up His Spirit to stand within us, to form and grow us, help us, and lift us up with Him in His Day.

"Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth." (Revelation 3:10)

We all go through all seasons, no one escapes any of them, and God is no respecter of person, tribulations come upon both the just and the unjust. Many examples have been set before us showing this Truth of how God's children suffer and endure, and why things must come even upon His own. David suffered and endured many seasons of this growth, even corrections, but never turned His heart away from The Lord.

We can see the fullness of this in Christ Jesus who took upon Himself all suffering and was raised up afterward. God reveals this for us, so that we can see and understand this, so we do not lose hope when all looks hopeless, so that we keep The Faith even in the night season, when all the things of man fails us here below and all faces lose their own light and all go into confusion together.

"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me? why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring? O my God, I cry in the day time, but thou hearest not; and in the night season, and am not silent. But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel. Our fathers trusted in thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them. They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded. But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people. All they that see me laugh me to scorn: they shoot out the lip, they shake the head, saying, He trusted on the Lord that he would deliver him: let him deliver him, seeing he delighted

in him. But thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope when I was upon my mother's breasts. I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou art my God from my mother's belly. Be not far from me; for trouble is near; for there is none to help. Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan have beset me round. They gaped upon me with their mouths, as a ravening and a roaring lion. I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels. My strength is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my jaws; and thou hast brought me into the dust of death. For dogs have compassed me: the assembly of the wicked have inclosed me: they pierced my hands and my feet. I may tell all my bones: they look and stare upon me. They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture. But be not thou far from me, O Lord: O my strength, haste thee to help me. Deliver my soul from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog. Save me from the lion's mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns. I will declare thy name unto my brethren: in the midst of the congregation will I praise thee." (Psalm 22:1-22)

You cannot confess The Word of God in your mind, but deny Him in your heart, and think to endure to the end. You can have Jesus beside you, knowing of His Word, memorize scripture, but if it falls away from entering your heart then He is not within you, kept.

Betrayal is saying one thing but doing the other. Do you Love The Word of God and keep it within your heart, so that it is found within you and coming forth even through your worst trials and suffering, or do you just know The Word but when troubles come you leave it and forsake it and cannot endure the season but turn away and found seeking out another to serve and join league with instead?

"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:" (Genesis 1:14)

Judas Iscariot had The Word of God beside him, but satan was found in Judas' heart, and so he was given over to it. The Lord God will not share space with another, we must be One, we cannot be divided in heart and mind thinking to serve both God and satan. When temptations come we are led away by our own lust, and we fall away by doing those things found deep within our heart where the depth of who we really are is kept and now exposed in all Truth in season and time.

When a season comes, and the Word is called up to stand, will it be within you or will you be found without, even though He was next to you knocking on your heart all along, but you did not let him within.

Let us not be found "giving up the ghost" that day, when our houses are exposed and we are found caught unaware inside that hour, but let us be found in the covenant marriage having the same mind and heart, in One accord, joined in a union that cannot be taken away, given up, fall short and fail us.

There may be weeping in the night season but Joy comes in the morning – WAIT ON THE LORD and let us not lean on our timing we want, but His perfect timing shall grow us fully, in due season.

"And now my soul is poured out upon me; the days of affliction have taken hold upon me. My bones are pierced in me in the night season: and my sinews take no rest. By the great force of my disease is my garment changed: it bindeth me about as the collar of my coat. He hath cast me into the mire, and I am become like dust and ashes. I cry unto thee, and thou dost not hear me: I stand up, and thou regardest me not." (Job 30:16-20)

"Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." (John 9:3-5)

Consider the end for Job and David and all others who waited and trusted upon The Lord. When we fall, we fall upon The Lord, at His feet, upon His foundation, so that He may lift us up with Him, afterward.

"That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God. Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: But we

...speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.” (1 Corinthians 2:5-10)

Otherwise, when the night season comes it shall fall upon the heads of pride and the rebellious who refuse to lay down to enter into His rest, trusting upon The Word of God, to bow under His Rule where the Gospel of Peace with God is found.

“And it came between the camp of the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave light by night to these: so that the one came not near the other all the night.” (Exodus 14:20)

“And when they cried unto the Lord, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your eyes have seen what I have done in Egypt: and ye dwelt in the wilderness a long season.” (Joshua 24:7)

All who lift themselves up in their own pride and strength shall be abased and exposed by a great fall to reveal in Truth where one is found standing with and upon, ruled under, or taken away by.

“Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will perform that good thing which I have promised unto the house of Israel and to the house of Judah. In those days, and at that time, will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow up unto David; and he shall execute judgment and righteousness in the land. In those days shall Judah be saved, and Jerusalem shall dwell safely: and this is the name wherewith she shall be called, The Lord our righteousness. For thus saith the Lord; David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne of the house of Israel; Neither shall the priests the Levites want a man before me to offer burnt offerings, and to kindle meat offerings, and to do sacrifice continually. And the word of the Lord came unto Jeremiah, saying, Thus saith the Lord; If ye can break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season; Then may also my covenant be broken with David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne; and with the Levites the priests, my ministers. As the host of heaven cannot be numbered, neither the sand of the sea measured: so will I multiply the seed of David my servant, and the Levites that minister unto me. Moreover the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah, saying, Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the Lord hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them. Thus saith the Lord; If my covenant be not with day and night, and if I have not appointed the ordinances of heaven and earth; Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them.” (Jeremiah 33:14-26)

April 5, 2026

The Resurrection, and The Life

May we consider together these Words, and seek The Lord God for understanding in Spirit and Truth...

“Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?” (John 11:24-26)

Do we believe this?

Martha was reciting scripture to Jesus from the letters of Daniel that were commonly known of at that time, ***“And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.” (Daniel 12:2)*** however, can we understand what Jesus is saying by His Word in return to her?

Are we quoting scripture as if “we know”, and have understanding already of these things?

“Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.” (John 5:24)

Martha could see Jesus standing right in front of her but could not behold Him, not yet able to see with the eyes of an understanding heart.

“Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.” (Matthew 13:13)

Even the Pharisee could not understand Jesus, even though they were considered the wisest, having all knowledge of the letters to study the scriptures.

“Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?” (John 3:3-4)

Are we also blinded in part by our own mind, having the Word of God right in front of us, reading and listening, but not yet able to see with the eyes of an understanding heart?

“Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts? or who hath given understanding to the heart?” (Job 38:36)

What does it mean to be passed from death to life, to be born again, and to be found in The Lambs Book of Life?

“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” (John 10:10)

The carnal mind cannot understand the things of God, ***“And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.” (Genesis 3:15)*** for God placed enmity as a separation wall that nothing can break down or remove without receiving Peace with God as a gift from God, given by God, in a renewed mind and clean heart, born again by God, to receive renewal and restoration. ***“Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.” (Romans 8:7)***

All have sinned, all have fallen short, and the power of the law of sin is death, and the judgement was set long ago; but God commands His Love toward us to make The Way of Truth to have Life in Him.

“The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” (John 1:29)

“Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.” (Psalm 51:10)

“Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people. And the heathen shall know that I the Lord do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore” (Ezekiel 37:26-28)

“For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.” (Isaiah 9:6)

“Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.” (John 14:17)

April 24, 2026

Life, and Life Eternal

This world has heard of *“Adam and Eve”*, and even about the *“flood of Noah”*. All have either heard of it, or they have their own version of it (from dinosaurs to the “gods” of old). In every land and nation there is a story told of a “destruction”, a knowing that something terrible happened long ago, and that darkness came upon the whole earth.

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. 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. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.” (Genesis 1:1-3)

For those who think this is just a “story” and not real, all they need to do is look around. We have the earth itself as proof that something happened; from deep under the waters, to the mountains and valleys above, to the “fossils” they find buried deep inside it all.

“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.” (John 10:10)

“And Jesus said unto them, Come ye after me, and I will make you to become fishers of men.” (Mark 1:17)

Even the very nature of people contains this proof, and is revealed through our very actions, to this day. People can deny this and turn away from God, even deny The Word of God, but can they deny their own conscience?

“Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.” (John 8:12)

“And God saw the light, that it was good: and God divided the light from the darkness.” (Genesis 1:4)

True repentance is of the heart and comes from within, not outward appearances that deceive many. We repent inwardly and the outward eventually catches up with us all; either in this life or the life after in the eternal. It is not the dust that gives us life, but the Spirit within us.

“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.” (Genesis 2:7)

“All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not.” (John 1:3-5)

Our conscience gives us internal conviction deep within us to lead us to repentance, if we do not turn away from His Voice. All are born knowing the pure Truth of God within their heart, all know it is wrong to steal, murder and lie; we do not have to teach our children that.

It is the world that teaches corruption and to cover it up with confusion so all remain stuck under a mixture of light and darkness, with no True understanding of The Way of escape.

“Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven, and giveth life unto the world. Then said they unto him, Lord, evermore give us this bread.” (John 6:32-34)

Sadly, many debate these things or think within themselves that it is not “really” wrong to steal, murder, or lie because in this world they must do some of those things just to survive, and that “god understands”.

Or some think they never do any of those things while denying what is hidden deep in their heart that desires what another has (covet), or seeks a way to take what another has (steal), or even thinks to remove what they do not like that others have (murder). So, we lie if we think we have none of these things within us, even in part, of that mark of sin within all the world.

Are we missing the Spirit of Truth if we cannot discern the Truth Spiritually in all these things?

“Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost: Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.” (John 20:21-23)

This world cannot fix itself, just as we cannot fix our own nature or think to change it by our own works, strength, or wisdom. Only God can return His Breath upon us for a clean heart to Lift us all up from where we had fallen. Once we receive this Light of Truth within our heart then we start to see more and more clearly as we repent step by step, as each sin is revealed, one by one.

When we hear “go and sin no more” than simply go by Faith, one step at a time, one sin at a time as it is revealed by Jesus in our hearts by God’s sight, not by man who points outwardly by their own sight to say who and what they think is sin, or how or what we must do or not do to “save ourself”.

“These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.” (John 17:1-3)

Jesus gives Life to our inward man by His Breath, His Word, so New Life is now growing, and our outward nature can be overcome day by day as the power of our flesh grows less and less while our inward man grows more and more.

Too many think to do this their own way, only seeking to grow their own nature more and more, as if somehow that is the way to conquer the inward issues; while others open up more and more to worship things they do not really know that promise salvation through their own “consciousness”.

When we Follow Jesus then He Lights The Way and reveals Truth so that we no longer remain inside the darkness that seeks to keep these things covered up and hidden so we never find the True Life.

“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.” (1 John 5:20)

Whether we think to be righteous or filthy, all have been subjected to sin, under the “flood” of it, from the smallest to the greatest, even from the very beginning by what entered into this world through Adam, one man.

None can escape it, no matter how clean we think we are, we are not all clean or restored whole from what was taken from us in the beginning.

No one can change time, or think to go back and undo it, or think to make another way of their own outside it. God sent His Love to save us and restore us all, in One, in due season and time. He Returns His Breath upon us and Resurrects within us, unless we deny His Breath and choose to keep this worlds within us alive instead.

“And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name. And he said unto them, I beheld Satan as lightning fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven. In that hour Jesus rejoiced in spirit, and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast hid these things

from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes: even so, Father; for so it seemed good in thy sight. All things are delivered to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal him. And he turned him unto his disciples, and said privately, Blessed are the eyes which see the things that ye see: For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.”
(Luke 10:17-24)

“And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof. 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. And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there. And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it. And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.” (Revelation 21:23-27)

May 5, 2026

Hated without a cause...

This world is full of hatred. Kingdom ideologies set people against people, nations against nations, and fight for a cause that one side will justify against the other by proof, outward appearances of things seen, or things rumored.

Tensions lead to distress and confusion as accusations fly, people roar, and nations rage; like a great flood it spreads across the lands. As tensions rise, what rises within you?

The cares, causes, and kingdom ideologies of this world can bring out the worst in people, or the best in people. Does hate rise within you more as tensions rise, or do others hate you because you do not hate like they say you should, but the Love of God rises within you more instead?

“And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.”
(Matthew 10:22)

“Sake” means for the benefit of, on account of; and implies doing something for the glory or reputation of God's character, to honor His Kingdom.

Jesus said His Kingdom is not of this world, and His Name's sake is to do The Will of The Father, being One with The Word of God. The Gospel of His Kingdom is within those who house a measure given to them by God, not men. Man's nature hates that to be The Only True Way because they cannot buy it, control it, or create it themselves; no matter how hard they try or how far they go to seek a way to.

“And as ye go, preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven is at hand. Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give.” (Matthew 10:7-8)

Only by God's Power and Authority, His Kingdom within, is one then sent out as those who come in The Name of The Lord, for His Name's sake, His Will be done, and not their own. These are no longer called “men” but are New Creatures in Christ, no longer of this world even though still in it.

In them there is no will of their own, no other message of their own, and no cause to hate anyone. They are the meek of the earth. So, if hate is returned to them in response to The Gospel of Salvation and Reconciliation with God, then it reveals and uncovers all whose hearts still live after their flesh kingdom and hate the uncovering of this truth within them.

“Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves. But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues; And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles. 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. For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.” (Matthew 10:16-20)

When one goes out claiming to go in The Name of The Lord, for His Name’s sake, do they honor His Kingdom and contain the measure He has given them to speak in the hour needed; or do they speak words of their own measure and timing?

“To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them; and hath committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God. 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.” (2 Corinthians 5:19-21)

An ambassador of a kingdom represents The Kingdom they come from when being sent out into others. Other kingdom ideologies of this world do not easily receive a messenger or agree with a message so contrary to their own mindset; nevertheless, it is sent out anyway, even if rejected. Some even seek to kill it because those in high places will seek to stop what threatens their own rule, authority, and the kingdom dominion they hold over the minds of others.

Are you hated for no cause, rejected with no justification, no accusation can stand against you, no outward appearance or action could warrant such hatred?

Some are hated because of what remains unseen physically, a message with no outward proof but felt spiritually within, one that some are drawn to, but others hate because of that.

“If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father. But this cometh to pass, that the word might be fulfilled that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.” (John 15:24-25)

God’s Law is clear about slander and seeking false witness against your neighbor. Satan is the accuser, but sadly this so easily snares many to become little “satans” flooding this world. This is deceiving many to defile themselves, even those who started out in The Word of God to keep it then fall away from it in these ways.

“And the scribes and Pharisees watched him, whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they might find an accusation against him.” (Luke 6:7)

All have broken the Law of God, but when this is revealed to you do you then hate the uncovering, or do you Love His Appearing for His Mercy, correction to repent, and His Guidance to now walk new?

Some who hate His Appearing of uncovering their hidden sin seek to conquer this by killing/stopping those with the message. This is especially true when they feel threatened by a Kingdom coming to them that is more powerful than their own; or even a message sent that may expose their own errors inside the Kingdom they claim to already represent.

Others think of conquering by adding more coverings that change the message from within, corrupting it little by little; as some in the last time work more cunningly, even join falsely with the True Ambassadors of God’s Kingdom only to betray it in the end.

Those appointed by The Lord God to go out in His Name’s Sake already know this, and continue anyway, without railings or accusations because they are given a type of Peace that most will never understand; even when many will turn, betray, and rail against them because of this.

“The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished: But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities. Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.” (2 Peter 2:9-11)

Jesus came and revealed The Kingdom of God, how to be Reconciled to God, and how His Kingdom works the opposite of these earthly kingdoms below.

Do you confuse people by your responses being so different from this world that they become frustrated by you, impatient, or even angry because they cannot understand why you do not agree with them to hate others like they do, to seek revenge, and do things the way they say is right in their “kingdom” ways?

How do you respond if they reject you, or even hate your message?

“And when ye come into an house, salute it. And if the house be worthy, let your peace come upon it: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you. And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear your words, when ye depart out of that house or city, shake off the dust of your feet.” (Matthew 10:12-14)

Are you hated by others because you go out with the Fruit of the Holy Spirit, for Jesus’ names sake only? Or are you hated by people because of how you approach them and respond to them. Are you an offense or offended from rejection, or worse do you take the bait and snared to turn again to repay evil for evil in the provocation?

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.” (Galatians 5:22-23)

Are you going out in the “Name of The Lord” but only pointing out evil and seeking to accuse by railing accusations in the ways of satan because you are being tempted by the devil, now becoming ambassadors of the dragon instead?

“Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.” (Matthew 7:20-21)

The devil and satan together make the body of the dragon, one hand working with the other hand, and are possessed with a desire to turn many in this world into its body on the earth. These are housing unclean spirits of tempters and accusers, snaring many into provocation of endless debates, strife, anger; and even murder. Some even go out using “His Name’s Sake” falsely, being wise in their own eyes but blinded by the powers of darkness doing so.

Jesus was tempted by the devil and satan and they found no part in Him. No temptation could provoke Him, and no accusation could be found against Him, proving His Divinity of the full measure of The One True God, for only The Father is all Good with no sin. Jesus was hated even more because of this.

Those that are possessed to seek to tempt and then accuse will never stop seeking to kill all they can by this perpetual desolation; leading many into temptations only so they can then accuse them of the sin.

“And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.” (Revelation 12:9-11)

Are you being provoked to fall into temptations?

Hold fast and repent, so you are not led into the fullness of the dragon when falling into temptation to then turn and accuse; blaming others for your own shortcomings. This sin entered Adam in the very beginning, to blame and accuse after the devil tempted Eve. This is not some new thing, or strange thing, and we should not be ashamed to then hide away from God and try to cover this, instead, we are to learn from this and come out of it, delivered through it.

“And Satan stood up against Israel, and provoked David to number Israel.” (1 Chronicles 21:1)

The Lord is Merciful to forgive, especially when we are found with a heart like David. Once a sin was revealed he confessed and accepted it, even desired no harm to come upon anyone else because of his own actions. David desired to

take all the consequences upon himself instead. Is your heart like this also, to represent Christ Jesus within you, as a heart after the Will of The Father, in His Will?

“And David said unto God, Is it not I that commanded the people to be numbered? even I it is that have sinned and done evil indeed; but as for these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, O Lord my God, be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plagued.” (1 Chronicles 21:17)

Considering the end of the matter, David did suffer corrections and God still placed the burden upon his whole house to learn this as well, not just David. We should also learn and let Christ Jesus teach us through all these Testimonies in Him as examples set before us in His Word and Testimony.

Do you consider these things and ask The Lord God to search your own heart to uncover even the hidden sins so you may have Grace and Mercy to continue to walk this out, being taught of God?

“For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.” (Proverbs 24:16)

The Law of God came already and stands unmovable, and Christ Jesus commands The Gospel of Peace with God as Living Waters to go out over it, for His Covering to lift us up, otherwise we will all perish under the weight of the Law of God; especially if we reject it simply because we do not understand it.

“Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.” (Jude 1:9)

If you say you are worn out and still filthy and cannot do The Law of God, then good, that means you see the Truth now and are lying flat, prepared as unleavened bread, ready to be lifted up by God with the increase filled through Christ Jesus in His Love and Mercy upon you.

“For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.” (Galatians 5:17)

You are meek now, knowing The Law of God and agree it is right but you cannot do it by your own strength, that is the point, that is True humility and meekness that you now see to behold and understand this. We cannot, by our own hand, till the land of our flesh and get all the specs out of the ground. Those who continue this way will only seek more and more coverings over their hidden sins; from fig leaves to dens of the rocks in the mountains, building houses that cannot withstand the storms that come against all who think to stand upon and build upon things they do and make, and not the True Rock of Heaven above, as the only pure and unmovable foundation to be found dwelling upon and in.

“For he is our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand. To day if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your heart, as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the wilderness: When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my work.” (Psalm 95:7-9)

“Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice, Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness: When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years. Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in their heart; and they have not known my ways. So I sware in my wrath, They shall not enter into my rest.) Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.” (Hebrews 3:7-12)

“For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.” (2 Peter 2:20-22)

June, 2026

Assumptions That Do Not Stand in the LIGHT...

Only a fool assumes, and one would think we would be able to hold our tongues until the Lord reveals the truth, instead of assuming so much. Way too many say “thus sayeth Lord” when He has not spoken or revealed something or told them to cast such turmoil of wonderings upon others. Again... TRUTH IS REVEALED, assumptions are forced and full of deceit to stir up conflict and fear. Only truth is a good report, which we are told to fixate on continually. And who does this? Those who love only the truth.

We really need to be taking the Lord seriously right now.

The key here is... let the scorner who babbles be... the Lord will deal with them His way in His timing. We just need to make sure we are not one of them to the best of our ability through surrender to Jesus.

So all in all... let's try to do our very best not to assume the worst about people and even events that may unfold or not. I know personally I do not like it when someone just assumes the worst about me, especially when I am doing the very best that I can and they are critical or falsely accusing, not considering my heart in the matter.

What if almost all people are actually doing the very best they can, and yet not measuring up to our standards, which do not align with Jesus's because only He can see our true intentions and motives? My fear is we too often judge too early, before the time, someone based solely on our assumptions of them, Lord forgive us and help us overcome this mindset towards others.

July 19, 2026

Before and After the Flood - do not “turn back”

Remnants of wickedness can be found within our own heart and spread abroad to many places. If you are looking for giants, dragons, or aliens to appear, consider what is already around us; and within us.

Keeping “Egypt” in our heart is one example that can make us desolate, void of the Spirit of Truth to dwell within us. As Jesus said, the kingdom is within us, and there are many in this world to choose from, which one do you house within... the many gods of this world, or the One God in One Truth above all.

“To whom our fathers would not obey, but thrust him from them, and in their hearts turned back again into Egypt, Saying unto Aaron, Make us gods to go before us: for as for this Moses, which brought us out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.” (Acts 7:39-40)

“And all the children of Israel murmured against Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation said unto them, Would God that we had died in the land of Egypt! or would God we had died in this wilderness! And wherefore hath the Lord brought us unto this land, to fall by the sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt? And they said one to another, Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt.” (Numbers 14:2-4)

Ancient Egypt's abominations were systemic cruelty through enslavement and oppression. Decades before the Exodus, Pharaoh commanded that every newborn Hebrew boy be thrown into the Nile River because he feared the growing Israelite population. (We see this mindset continue centuries later when King Herod ordered the death of young boys around the time Jesus was born).

Pharaoh's profound arrogance was in direct defiance of God through pride and idolatry; and all this led to the Ten Plagues.

“He made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from death, but gave their life over to the pestilence; And smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of their strength in the tabernacles of Ham: But made his own people to go forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.”
(Psalm 78:50-52)

This world, and the princes of this world, are bound under the law of reap and sow, eye for an eye, whether they believe it or not, it simply is. Often this goes unseen and seems to be of no effect due to God’s long-suffering and Mercy to all, until the day and time it becomes real and seen.

Just as this outcome eventually came upon Egypt at that time, it continues to come upon other kingdoms of this world, each in their due season.

In Hebrew, the word for pig or swine is chazir (חֲזִיר), which comes from the root ח-ז-ר (ch-z-r). This root fundamentally means "to return" or "to turn back".

“But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.” (2 Peter 2:22)

“And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. In that day, he which shall be upon the housetop, and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. Remember Lot's wife. Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.” (Luke 17:26-33)

Keeping “Egypt” in the heart is like remnants of the beast within, and God allows their space and time to continue to this day, to remove or gather all parts in the last time; revealing the hearts of all.

“I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.” (Daniel 7:11-12)

“For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither any thing hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.” (Luke 8:17)

“Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.” (Hebrews 4:13)

Kingdom ideologies remain within us, even over thousands of years, nations have conquered one another, and lines have been mixed and mingled together. All flesh and blood have been corrupted, none are clean or pure, as Jesus said... you will know them by their fruit, by what is within a person that comes out. And we are no different to this day, none are righteous, not one; only what we choose to house within us is the truth of us that eventually comes out, righteous or unrighteous.

“And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.” (Revelation 11:8)

Ignorance causes man to think the “great ones” are strong and mighty in their flesh or deeds, or self-righteous in their own eyes. Instead of lifting up The Name of The Lord as the Savior of the world, they worship “mighty men of renown” and those who conquer others for gain; causing much idolatry, or even angel worship; and many fall away to abominations that make us desolate in the end.

“And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the Lord repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people, It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the Lord was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite.” (2 Samuel 24:16)

Mankind has a nature to think something is true when it turns out to be the opposite, while ignoring their own errors as they are pointing out others instead. True “great ones” are meek, humble, quick to receive correction, accepting their own errors, and serve others for no gain; and by their fruit you will know them. This world will not lift these up or follow their Way in all Truth and fullness, only those True and Faithful endure to the end, as a true witness to this testament of character.

“As saith the proverb of the ancients, Wickedness proceedeth from the wicked: but mine hand shall not be upon thee.” (1 Samuel 24:13)

David said this to King Saul when he had a perfect opportunity to kill Saul, who was hunting him down, but David chose to spare Saul's life to prove he was not evil or treasonous. David quoted this ancient proverb to show that a person's actions reveal their true character.

We wrestle daily, our own nature and desires, as we all come from different backgrounds and tendencies. We fight our own flesh to die to it daily in Christ Jesus, housing His Kingdom within us as we die to our own, and He will lift us up at the Last Day.

He will reveal all things and finish the work within all, and at the end of our season we rise up to reveal and make manifest who we really are, in all Truth, either risen to everlasting life, or everlasting condemnation; either way the Truth will be known.

“And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath given me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.” (John 6:39)

“And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.” (Daniel 12:2)

Remnants of the “beast”, from before and after the flood, went out into all the world, stretched out in parts over all time, and once again all are corrupted.

Noah and his sons were from before the flood, and after it. Shem, Ham, and Japheth went out to replenish the world, and there was good but there was also evil, many of whom this world still admires as men of renown, mighty men; whose remnants are scattered out to the four corners of this world.

“For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.” (1 John 2:16)

In general, the descendants of Ham went out, and many were full of great wickedness. **(Genesis 10:6-20)** From the Tower of Babel/Babylon to Nineveh, and many alike; known for their mighty warriors, idolatry, and master builders. **(Leviticus 18:3-30)** Mizraim is Egypt, ancient Egyptians, ultimately giving rise to the Philistines, and Put were known for their mercenary warriors and shield-bearers who allied with Egypt and Tyre. **(Ezekiel 27:10)** Out of Canaan came Sodom, and a great curse. **(Genesis 9:25-27, Genesis 13:13, Genesis 19, Ezekiel 16:49-50)**

Maybe you think Shem and Japheth are better than Ham?

The descendants of Shem are also part of the Assyrian, Chaldean, and Babylonian empires and many were notorious for their brutal conquests, widespread violence, magicians, sorceries, and imperial pride. **(Genesis 10:22, Isaiah 10:5-7).**

Many of the Israelites (descendants of Shem) intermingled by intermarrying with the Canaanites and other local populations, which led them to adopt foreign religious practices **(Judges 3:5-6)**, and even King Solomon intermarrying with women from various surrounding nations, blending different lineages and royal houses **(1 Kings 11:1-2)**. Even the line of Jesus detailed in **(Matthew 1)** and **(Luke 3)** show ancestors with records of murder, adultery, and deceit (e.g., King

David) as well as Gentiles with complex pasts. Jesus never praised the flesh of man, or the lines of them, but praised only The Father for The Marvelous work and The Word working through Him to save us all from it.

“And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God.” (Mark 10:18)

Japheth's line was set apart for "enlargement" and physical expansion, even the "Gentiles" (***Genesis 10:5***), but as they spread, Japheth's line largely abandoned the knowledge of the true God. The ancient Greeks and Romans, for instance, developed vast mythological systems rooted in the worship of false gods. Their historical "enlargement" resulted in the rise of dominant empires. These nations, such as the Roman Empire, were frequently marked by cruelty, the subjugation of other peoples, and societal corruption. The modern and ancient philosophies emerging from Japheth's descendants often leaned toward humanism, self-reliance, and intellectual arrogance, elevating human reason above divine law.

(Romans 1:18-23)

"Japheth shall dwell in the tents of Shem" (Genesis 9:27) is seen as a prophecy that Japheth's descendants (the Gentiles) would eventually be grafted into God's covenant of grace through faith.

Does that mean all of Ham's line is wicked and cut off, or that Shem is the only chosen one; can we know or discern all the branches?

Considering that over millennia, all these descendants fell into various sins like idolatry, pride, and warfare. God has a way of leveling all things out; that none can boast above the other. God is no respecter of person, but made The Way of escape for all, to cover the sin of all the world, for all who believe upon Him and receive Him; but a warning was given to all who reject Him.

“Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not: Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment, than for you. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee. At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes. Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.” (Matthew 11:20-26)

Some of God's own people keep parts of evil in their hearts, even bringing it into their own "vessels", houses, tent or tabernacle of their land. Wherever we place our feet is the land we are standing upon, and can be of a promise or a curse, depending what is placed upon our "feet". If we consider the doctrine we live by is upon our feet, then it goes with us wherever we may be sent, and is the place we stand firm upon and trust upon, dwelling in, wherever we may go.

“Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth. Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will? Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus? Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction: And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory, Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles? As he saith also in Osee, I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved. And it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God. Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved: For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth. And as Esaias said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha. What shall we say then? That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness which is of faith. But Israel, which followed after the law of

righteousness, hath not attained to the law of righteousness. Wherefore? Because they sought it not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone; As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.” (Romans 9:18-33)

Consider repenting from the endless genealogies of man and realize in this last time all are known by their fruit, spiritually, in Spirit and Truth; for God is the only Judge, and we are not. One can be grafted in while another cut off, only to be grafted back in later. All flesh and blood are corrupted, over thousands of years. We are known by our character, what comes out of us, what kingdom do we hold within us that comes out?

“God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation; That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him, though he be not far from every one of us: 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.” (Acts 17:24-28)

If all is corrupted then all can be saved, born again, in Spirit and Truth, and Jesus paid the price to cover the sin for all, not just for some small parts we think are worthy, let God be the judge, for man knows nothing unless God reveals it.

“The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.” (John 1:29)

Not all flesh is the same, we all have different natures we wrestle with, each to their own measure. One may have to wrestle daily to the lust of the flesh within them to fight and conquer, while another may have to wrestle with their desire to just hide away in fear.

“For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.” (Matthew 12:40-42)

Consider the Gentiles, and even some of their leaders and rulers, (like the queen of the south), that come from all corners now being drawn to The Word of God and His Gospel of The Kingdom. Or consider those who refuse to come even still after so much time, centuries of Ambassadors sent to all lands to speak and share The Word of God and the marvelous works of God for all to know.

Or consider Jonah, called to preach a warning to Nineveh, one of the harshest places for someone like Jonah to go to. He first ran the other way sailing the opposite direction in a vessel on the sea until God sent a storm, had the men cast Jonah overboard, then had a “sea beast” swallow Jonah only to eventually deliver him up onto the land three days later where he was meant to continue on, in Nineveh. We may be lukewarm in our Faith and boldness, but God has a Way of getting us to the other side eventually.

Jonah may not have done right at first, but once God moved him to the destination, eventually he did do and say what The Lord commanded him to do. However, pride and bitterness crept in afterward, when God showed Mercy while Jonah was sitting back waiting and watching for destruction. This is a two-fold lesson for all, revealing Jonah doing as commanded but his heart was still far from God's own heart. Our own hedge of protection can be eaten away in one night by this type of “worm”, and we can suffer under the heat of the same sun afterward to learn Mercy and Grace is better for all first.

Nineveh was spared this time around, given space to repent and they did out of fear and commandment from their own king who had the knowledge of God from what happened before in Egypt. Sadly, we can see how this knowledge falls away over time, and Jesus speaks specifically of the men of Nineveh and how they repented, but how they would rise up in this last time as witness against those who refuse to repent now, in the last time.

Jesus also speaks of those whose worm is not killed and gives a woe and a warning for this. God works to prepare our hearts, not just service in mind only. If our heart is not right, then when something comes upon the land where will we be found? Still out to sea going the opposite direction, or under the shade of a hedge with bitterness and a worm waiting to eat away what we have in one night?

“But one thing is needful: and Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not be taken away from her.” (Luke 10:42)

We continue with Him through these first parts so we learn Mercy and Faith is preferred, and we are refined by His Fire so that in the last part we may be found with an upright heart and mind as One, and our covering is His Everlasting Love and Mercy that endures to the end and is not taken away to be eaten by a worm when the night comes.

“But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.” (Matthew 9:13)

***“For I desired mercy, and not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.”
(Hosea 6:6)***

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Gleaning Season

Leaving leftover crops and fallen produce in your fields is a command from God designed to provide food for people in need. This food was reserved for the poor, widows, orphans, and foreigners (strangers) living in the community.
(Leviticus 19:9-10)

***“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, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.”
(Luke 4:18-19)***

Gleaning comes after each main harvest and is for distributing unused food, to fight food waste, and combat hunger; so that these items are not left to rot. What are you leaving behind in your harvests for others to glean from as you continue forward in The Word of The Lord, from season to season?

Year after year, there are 3 main harvests... then comes the Oil of completion. These are linked to the three major pilgrim festivals: Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles.

***“Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and break the clods of his ground? When he hath made plain the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast in the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the rie in their place? For his God doth instruct him to discretion, and doth teach him.”
(Isaiah 28:24-26)***

The Barley harvest is the firstfruits of the year that spring up, and these are thrown into the air where the wind strips it of its outer shell, its husk.

Consider the Holy Prophets, and Apostles, who were chosen to be the firstfruits unto God and The Lamb. The **appointed barley** is chosen by God, moved by the Wind of The Holy Spirit, and sent by God to speak only what The Lord God gives them to speak. ***(consider Revelation 14:4)***

“And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee.” (Ezekiel 2:1)

“But when they shall lead you, and deliver you up, take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye: for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.” (Mark 13:11)

The Wheat harvest comes after this, and wheat is beaten or threshed, to have its outer shell removed.

Consider the ***principal wheat***, like disciples that follow The Word of God, and continue with Him; to “become” like Him. God always has His remnant, and His People are often called the “children of the Prophets”.

“Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days. Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed. Unto you first God, having raised up his Son Jesus, sent him to bless you, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.” (Acts 3:24-26)

These are sifted as wheat by satan, even the disciples were, just as all children of God are, who are called by His Name, and drawn by His Word.

As Jesus said to Peter, after this sifting of the trials of Faith, then Peter would be converted to strengthen the brethren; not before... but afterward.

“And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.” (Luke 22:31-32)

Jesus said the first shall be last and the last shall be first. Godly order is perfect but not understood by man’s own logic. Many are drawn and gather around The Word of God, but not all continue with Him, just as many prophets and disciples have come; some True and some false. We see these from the beginning, and even to this very day.

The Power to “become” is in God’s hands only, for only He can give the increase. Saying first...come and follow Him by Faith, then you shall see afterward; to be revealed in due season.

As Jesus also said... let the wheat and tares grow together first, then afterward you will know them by their fruit.

You may also notice that when Jesus stood to declare the ***“Acceptable Year of The Lord”***, He closed the book before the second part of the Prophecy would be spoken, ***“and the day of vengeance of our God.”*** Jesus held that second part back from being spoken because He took it upon Himself first on The Cross. This marked the time of Salvation for all, opening The Way, so that all could come and eat of the harvest freely; and the time of refreshing for His People to rest, wait, and trust upon.

“The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.” (Isaiah 61:1-3)

None would have been saved from the ***“Day of The Lord”*** if Jesus had not held this second part back first. All would have been devoured by satan when sifted as wheat and killed by the Truth of The Law of God without The Lamb of God to cover The Law first. All have sinned and broken the Law of God, even the Pharisee would have been killed by that same power of The Law they thought they kept.

There was no Faith, Truth, or Mercy left in the land. All had fallen short of it, held captive as prisoners of satan, and none could loose it; and no open door for the poor and needy was found in it.

“And he was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her to him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity. And he laid his hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. And the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because that Jesus had healed on the sabbath day, and said unto the people, There are six days in which men ought to work: in them therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day. The Lord then answered him, and said, Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the sabbath loose his ox or his ass from the stall, and lead him away to watering? And ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day? And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.” (Luke 13:10-17)

Jesus came to His Vineyard but and the harvest was being neglected, and the stewards were not obedient; their hearts were fallen away from the Heart of God. They had stopped short and had not continued in The Lord from season to season but had sat down to only feed themselves; stuck in one season and not able to pass over to the next season.

Jesus did not come to feed those already full, or praise those sitting in high places. Instead, Jesus turned it all upside down and made those who considered themselves “wise” in God to become fools of this world and gave to the unlearned His knowledge to become Wise in God.

“And the Redeemer shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from transgression in Jacob, saith the Lord. As for me, this is my covenant with them, saith the Lord; My spirit that is upon thee, and my words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the Lord, from henceforth and for ever.”
(Isaiah 59:20-21)

You cannot reason with a foolish servant who is blinded and bound under the power of satan; unless they are converted and Jesus heals them. If you fall into this temptation, then both sides may become foolish when snared into endless debates seeking to prove who is right in their own eyes; now casting stones at each other. Do not fall away into offenses but keep within you all Faith and Mercy to remain meek so that you do not perish by the stones bound under the Law. Otherwise, if you remain in this state, you must reap all you have sown being tried and tested by the very measure and word you cast at another.

The one that is not foolish is often the one not speaking anymore, or at least very slow to speak. Only The Spirit of God speaking can shut the mouths of lions. True meekness means you do not open your mouth to backbite and debate trying to prove yourself right by your own words and works. The meek only speak of Gods Work and Promises, so that when it is spoken none can rebuttal it.

When we are out of Godly order, we end up using the Word of God and The Law of God only to hurt one another and keep all captive by satan. We get stuck going in circles inside our own harvest, heaping only to ourselves, with no corners left for others but only high piles that are left to rot.

“And he said unto them, How is it that ye do not understand?” (Mark 8:21)

“Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees. And they reasoned among themselves, saying, It is because we have taken no bread. Which when Jesus perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have brought no bread? Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ye took up? How is it that ye do not understand that I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees? Then understood they how that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but of the doctrine of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.” (Matthew 16:6-12)

Gleaning is commanded by God because it teaches a beautiful lesson that works together for all people. The Sabbath year and regular harvest laws provided direct access for the poor and strangers to enter in and gather food. It is so one can rest from their own labors of that season while another can enter into it. The works can now follow the first when being left for the second, so that all continues forward; from season to season.

“To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.” (Isaiah 28:12)

Opening your harvest for others to glean from is for the poor and needy to be allowed to enter the fields and also work to gather the remaining food themselves. This teaches landowners to practice generosity and recognize that their harvest was a gift to be shared with the wider community.

(Deuteronomy 24:19-22)

“Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime”.

“Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was furnished with guests.” (Matthew 22:9-10)

Have you turned inwardly, stuck in one harvest of endless debates instead of doing as the Lord commanded to go and Follow Him? If we are too busy trying to reason with fools we neglect to continue to follow The Lord from season to season. What is left over from that? Your harvest should be to feed and nourish you as you feed and nourish others; then all works together to keep all growing in The Lord and plowing forward following Him.

“Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work. Say not ye, There are yet four months, and then cometh harvest? behold, I say unto you, Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together. And herein is that saying true, One soweth, and another reapeth. I sent you to reap that whereon ye bestowed no labour: other men laboured, and ye are entered into their labours.”
(John 4:34-38)

Jesus said the harvest is the whole world, stretched out, and sends His out inviting all to the four corners. We are not to be found always sitting in the middle of the field eating the fruit of our own labors. If we only care if we are fed, what good is that? If we think we must do all the harvesting ourselves then what is left over for others to come into our field and work also?

“Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear. But the word of the Lord was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken. Wherefore hear the word of the Lord, ye scornful men, that rule this people which is in Jerusalem. Because ye have said, We have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made lies our refuge, and under falsehood have we hid ourselves: Therefore thus saith the Lord God, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste. Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it. From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a vexation only to understand the report. For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it: and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it. For

the Lord shall rise up as in mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work, his strange work; and bring to pass his act, his strange act. Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong: for I have heard from the Lord God of hosts a consumption, even determined upon the whole earth.”
(Isaiah 28:9-22)

If you are stuck plowing in circles inside your harvest, year after year, how can you continue forward into the New Wine and remain sober?

Many get stuck inside the wheat harvest of sifting due to hardened hearts, pride, and unbelief. This can be a long season full of tribulations that are for corrections so that we are not left stuck upon the scales of satan, being held back and kept away from the blessings of the wine and oil.

“But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.”
(Matthew 9:36-38)

Jesus broke His Body and made The Way to pass through these scales and continue with Him.

The Prophets and Apostles were sent to deliver the message of the heavenly food. They did not stay only to debate the food, they simply offered what they had received and then continue forward following The Lord.

Jesus commands His to go with His message, and if it is not heard or received then continue forward and shake the dust off. Continue from season to season, plowing forward not falling backward, less you're found stuck in the prison of your own inward wheat harvest being sifted by satan over and over while the new wine languishes and the anointing oil falls to the ground and perishes in dry places.

“And it shall come to pass in that day, that the mountains shall drop down new wine, and the hills shall flow with milk, and all the rivers of Judah shall flow with waters, and a fountain shall come forth out of the house of the Lord, and shall water the valley of Shittim.” (Joel 3:18)

After the grain harvest comes the summer fruits of the great ingathering in the late summer and fall harvest. The New Wine comes forth from this harvest, as it is trodden and crushed underfoot to bring forth the wine. This process is of The Lord God, and is good, even though all must be pressed down to produce it.

Jesus came and marked the time of the *Acceptable Year of The Lord*, that the harvest could go out to the four corners, and the New Wine to finally flourish.

“Thus saith the Lord, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and one saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all. And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.” (Isaiah 65:8-9)

Jesus commanded His own to tarry in Jerusalem until the Promise of The Father comes upon them...the Oil of completion.

After you have eaten the bread you will then drink from the cup of wine. As you sit with The Lord, dwelling in The Word, you will drink of this same cup He drank as you come to the knowledge and Love of The Truth. You will understand that the first cup kills but the second cup brings forth New Life. You need both to continue, otherwise you lay dead and powerless...waiting for the second after you take part in the first. The Letter kills but the Spirit brings forth Life, and Jesus is Faithful to finish the Work He started in you, as you patiently wait upon Him.

“Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus. And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.” (Revelation 14:12-13)

There is a time of fasting and prayer that comes in this season, waiting upon The Lord, and The Promise of The Father. In our patience HE is strong, and this weakness is our greatest strength, because He will Work when we stop getting in the way of His Work with our own.

We learn to lay our own crowns down and stop forcing others by casting stones at them. As Jesus said, these only come out with prayer and fasting, and the wise will fast from partaking in the childish things that many keep falling prey to through unbelief that keeps them wavering. By our Faith in Jesus, He intercedes for us, and brings the prayers of the saints unto the Throne of Heaven.

“Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.” (John 8:31-32)

Prayer goes up for The Lord to now interceded and do what we cannot do. We fast and wait upon The Lord to prepare the hearts, move the hearts, open or close them. His Work is made perfect by our fasting as we no longer try to force our own works, out of season.

“But that on the good ground are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.” (Luke 8:15)

Olives are part of the final autumn "ingathering," harvested right alongside and immediately following the grape and summer fruit harvest. The olives are crushed by heavy stones and weighted wooden beams or presses. Olive oil was used as the primary source of Light for the fuel in small clay lamps, providing the only light in homes after dark.

Olives are pressed down but not trodden under foot. Just as we may be pressed down or broken to peices by a heavy weight when the Truth hits us that we have all sinned and fallen short. Let us not wait to be crushed by this heavy millstone but let us fall upon the rock now so our oil can be poured out upon Him as He pours out upon us. Let the price Jesus paid be the Oil of anointing appointed for us that He offers us; for this gift is more precious than all the gold in the whole world.

“Then spake Jesus again unto them, saying, I am the light of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.” (John 8:12)

Have you continued to follow from season to season, or have you stopped short?

“And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.” (Matthew 25:2-4)

Are you going into rest with others out of season because you follow them and not The Lord? Do you have oil with you before you go to rest from your labors? Let us not stop short of the fullness of the *Acceptable Year of the Lord*. There are three seasons, then the Oil for your light is pressed out. Continue with The Lord and do not stop short of it.

“And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.” (Matthew 24:14)

The Lord sends His messengers, they are moved by The Wind, to carry His Word, and then sifted as Wheat; so that afterward they may strengthen the brethren. They are known by their fruit, and in due season they are found waiting for the Promise of The Father in The Power of the Holy Spirit of the appointed Oil. In His Power these are given The Light of God and The Lamb, and by His Rest these Works follow them everlasting; stretched out to the four corners of the world.

“And he said unto them, Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables? The sower soweth the word.” (Mark 4:13-14)

“He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall

gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.” (Matthew 13:37-43)

Do not try to harvest yourself or others too soon. Let all grow together and The Lord of The Harvest will do His Work in His timing, His Way, in season.

Often, we may try to share with others out of season, with no patience, and so we remain powerless and there is nothing to glean because we are out of timing and did not wait upon The Lord.

Or maybe we bury our talent waiting for another season to come later, instead of sharing in and out of seasons? We go through many seasons, often over and over, learning all these things as we are given great Mercy and Grace to make corrections that we may continue forward.

You are a landowner, and you are growing on your “land” many things. What is planted is growing, being fed and watered. When it is time for the harvest, we must reap what has been sown in our own land. We are forever thankful to our Lord and Savior Christ Jesus who prays for us through the sifting, interceding to confess us before the Angels of God, so we are not left to those that seek only to steal, kill, and destroy any forward progress of growth.

The oil of our testimony will not run out if we learn to Trust The Lord and not fear the world so much or run ahead of The Lord, out of season. If we are obedient to wait upon The Lord, to tarry in Jerusalem, then we make The Lord’s House a House of Prayer, before we go out from season to season.

“But when ye shall hear of wars and commotions, be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass; but the end is not by and by. Then said he unto them, Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: And great earthquakes shall be in divers places, and famines, and pestilences; and fearful sights and great signs shall there be from heaven. But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake. And it shall turn to you for a testimony. Settle it therefore in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer: For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist. And ye shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death. And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake. But there shall not an hair of your head perish. In your patience possess ye your souls.” (Luke 21:9-19)

Thieves and robbers come when we reap out of season and timing, not waiting upon The Lord to allow seasons for growth and pruning. False words are seeds of the devil, sown into the land, and we are to be good stewards over our own harvest.

Why would The Lord add more if we just feed ourselves only, refuse correction, and not leave anything for the gleaning? If we reap to ourselves only for self-gain then what good is that? Or if we reap to only bury it, store it hidden away, what good is that? We tarry in The Word, plant, and water, and even glean in the labor of others; but only God gives the increase and can send His Angels to reap and move us from season to season forward, and no longer backward.

“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. 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. 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.” (Romans 8:28-30)

As you go in and out of seasons, do not “take it” personally, even if it is truthfully very personal against you. Betrayal and backstabs are part of the walk, and although it is personal, do not take it within you...personally. If you are full of offense then you cannot move forward, only backwards. We must not take these things personally inward, but instead we shake the dust off. Otherwise, we take into ourselves bitterness and wormwood. We must not take things personally if we are to simply learn and leave the rest for gleaning behind us, from season to season, Faith to Faith, Glory to Glory.

"For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which went out early in the morning to hire labourers into his vineyard. And when he had agreed with the labourers for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard. And he went out about the third hour, and saw others standing idle in the marketplace, And said unto them; Go ye also into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will give you. And they went their way. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise. And about the eleventh hour he went out, and found others standing idle, and saith unto them, Why stand ye here all the day idle? They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them, Go ye also into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ye receive. So when even was come, the lord of the vineyard saith unto his steward, Call the labourers, and give them their hire, beginning from the last unto the first. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they received every man a penny. But when the first came, they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise received every man a penny. And when they had received it, they murmured against the goodman of the house, Saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do thee no wrong: didst not thou agree with me for a penny? Take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this last, even as unto thee. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is thine eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen." (Matthew 20:1-16)

If we are only walking this life out following The Lord, and all we want to do is be sent and be helpful, then how can we take it personally if it's not our Vineyard?

We learn all these things over the years, but there are some seasons that test us with more measure than any prior. If we have given these Words out to others, we are then tested with the same measure to reveal to us where we are at now. If we are to be clear and transparent to our own self, are we doing what we say to others when we are faced with the same measure, or even more of a measure, from season to season?

It's a Truth we must all walk out and face, accepting all corrections, and take Joy in the plowing forward as we leave what we take not with us personally behind us, for others to glean from.

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine."
(2 Timothy 4:2)

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen." (Matthew 28:18-20)

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