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## INTRODUCTION

Many years ago I began collecting scripture from the Bible pertaining to a certain topic which the Lord led me to search out. As I studied each topic, I learned to know the author of the Bible, the Lord, better and better. I began to absorb into my heart and mind what the Lord thought and felt about certain things or topics I studied.

I kept these in a computer file which I could return to when I wanted to renew my understanding of the Lord regarding that thought. Slowly I added to it over many, many years.

Sometimes I even went to the Concordance and read through the portions of scriptures on a topic I was curious about that day, and even that was inspiring and encouraging to me.

Why? Because when I encounter the Lord's words, I encounter the Lord Himself.

THAT is what I was searching for - the encounter with the Lord and to connect with Him. When you connect with a person you usually connect through what he says.

As I did this I grew to love the Lord more and more and learned what He is like.

Now the Lord is guiding me to organize those topical scriptures into a book for others (you) to read through and learn about who He is, what He is like, what He thinks, and how He loves you - to help you connect with Him also.

I allow a section at the end of each topic where you can write the thoughts He gives you as you read on that topic. You may put your favorite scripture there, or another scripture that speaks to you on that topic.

All of this is to enable you to know the Lord better, to love Him more, and to grow closer in your own personal relationship with Him.

*Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.* (James 4:8 RSV)

I bless you as you read His word.

(Scriptures are from the NIV Bible unless otherwise indicated.)

## PAY ATTENTION AND KEEP MY WORDS

When I read the Word of God, I find it very helpful to personalize the words and make them fit me. I make them my confession and declaration about who I am, who God is, what He will do for me, etc. I will use the following scriptures (which I like to read and declare at the beginning of my daily quiet time with the Lord) as examples and write after each scripture what I might declare.

**My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to my words. Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart; for they are life to those who find them and health to one's whole body. (Proverbs 4:20-22)**

Lord, I am paying attention to what You say. I turn my ear to Your words. I keep them within my sight. I keep Your words within my heart. Your words are life to me and they are health to my whole body.

**So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41:10)**

I do not fear because You, Lord, are with me. I am not dismayed, because You, Lord, are my God. You will strengthen me. You will help me. You will uphold me with Your righteous right hand.

**Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. (John 14:27)**

Lord, You leave Your peace with me. You give Your peace to me. I accept Your peace and receive it from You. You do not give me peace as the world gives. I do not let my heart be troubled or afraid.

**"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you," declares the Lord. - Jeremiah 29:11-14**

Lord, You know the plans You have for me. They are plans to prosper me and not to harm me. Your plans give me hope and a future. Then I will call upon You and come and pray to You, and You will listen to me. I will seek You and find You when I seek You with all my heart. Lord, You will be found by me. You declare it. Thank You, Lord!

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Proverbs 8:34

**Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my doors,
waiting at my doorway. For whoever finds me finds life, and receives
favor from the Lord.**

THE LORD'S WORDS TO ME

Come away My beloved. Be still and know that I am God.

My son, pay attention to what I say; turn your ear to my words. Do not let them out of your sight, keep them within your heart; for they are life to those who find them and health to one's whole body. Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway. For whoever finds me finds life, and receives favor from the Lord.

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you. Call to me and I will answer you and show you great and unsearchable things which you do not know. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete.

I am leaving you with a gift - peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid. What I have said, that will I bring about; what I have planned, that will I do.

I am going to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am.

Listen, I tell you a mystery: You will not all sleep, but you will all be changed - in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and you will be changed. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut.

Since you have kept my command to endure patiently, I will also keep you from the hour of trial that is going to come upon the whole world to test those who live on the earth. Yes, I am coming soon. Come away, my beloved.

(Song of Solomon 8:14 Psalm 46:10 Proverbs 4:20-22 Proverbs 8:34 Isaiah 41:10 Jeremiah 29:11-14 Jeremiah 33:3 John 15:11 John 14:27 NLT Isaiah 46:11 John 14:2-3 1 Corinthians 15:51-52 Revelation 3:8 Revelation 3:10 Revelation 22:20 Song of Solomon 8:14)

MY WORDS TO THE LORD

Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths. (Psalm 25:4)

My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek. (Psalm 27:8)

Teach me your way, O Lord; led me in a straight path. (Psalm 27:11)

According to your love remember me, for you are good, O Lord. (Psalm 25:7)

Those who know your name will trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you. (Psalm 9:10)

You make me glad by your deeds, O Lord; I sing for joy at the works of your hands. How great are your thoughts! (Psalm 92:4)

I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust. (Psalm 91:2)

I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me. (Habakkuk 2:1)

The Sovereign Lord has given me an instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. (Isaiah 50:4)

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on Thee because he trusts in Thee. (Isaiah 26:3 KJV)

One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord, and to seek him in his temple. (Psalm 27:4)

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Psalm 23:6)

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DAY OF CHRIST

(NIV Scofield Bible note on 1 Corinthians 1:8): The expression "the day of our Lord Jesus Christ," identified with His coming (1 Corinthians 1:7), is the period of blessing for the Church beginning with the rapture. This coming day is referred to as "the day of the Lord" (1 Corinthians 5:5), "the day of the Lord Jesus" (2 Corinthians 1:14), "the day of Christ Jesus" (Philippians 1:6), and "the day of Christ" (Philippians 1:10; 2:16). In all six references in the N. T. this "day" relates to the reward and blessing of the Church at the rapture in contrast with the expression "the day of the Lord" which is related to judgment upon unbelieving Jews and Gentiles (compare Isaiah 2:12, Joel 1:15, and Revelation 19:19) and blessing on millennial saints (Zephaniah 3:8-20).

1 Corinthians 1:7-8

You do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed. He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. - 1 Corinthians 3:12-13

2 Corinthians 1:14

And I hope that, as you have understood us in part, you will come to understand fully that you can boast of us just as we will boast of you in the day of the Lord Jesus.

Philippians 1:6

Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.

Philippians 1:9-11

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God.

Philippians 2:14-16

Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe, as you hold out the word of life - in order that I may boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor for nothing.

2 Timothy 1:18

May the Lord grant that he will find mercy from the Lord on that day!

2 Timothy 4:8

Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day - and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

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DAY OF THE LORD

Isaiah 2:12

The Lord Almighty has a day in store for all the proud and lofty, for all that is exalted. (and they will be humbled).

Isaiah 13:6

Wail, for the day of the Lord is near; it will come like destruction from the Almighty.

Isaiah 13:9-13

See, the day of the Lord is coming - a cruel day, with wrath and fierce anger - to make the land desolate and destroy the sinners within it. The stars of heaven and their constellations will not show their light. The rising sun will be darkened and the moon will not give its light. I will punish the world for its evil, the wicked for their sins. I will put an end to the arrogance of the haughty and will humble the pride of the ruthless. I will make people scarcer than pure gold, more rare than the gold of Ophir. Therefore I will make the heavens tremble; and the earth will shake from its place at the wrath of the Lord Almighty, in the day of his burning anger.

Isaiah 14:1

The Lord will have compassion on Jacob; once again he will choose Israel and will settle them in their own land. Aliens will join them and unite with the house of Jacob. Nations will take them and bring them to their own place. And the house of Israel will possess the nations as menservants and maidservants in the Lord's land. They will make captives of their captors and rule over their oppressors. On the day the Lord gives you relief from suffering and turmoil and cruel bondage, you will take up this taunt against the king of Babylon: How the oppressor has come to an end! His fury has ended! The Lord has broken the rod of the wicked.

Isaiah 24:1, 3

See, the Lord is going to lay waste the earth and devastate it; he will ruin its face and scatter its inhabitants. The earth will be completely laid waste and totally plundered. The Lord has spoken this word.

Isaiah 24:21

In that day the Lord will punish the powers in the heavens above and the kings on the earth below.

Isaiah 26:20-21

Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by. See, the Lord is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins.

Isaiah 34:8

For the Lord has a day of vengeance, a year of retribution, to uphold Zion's cause.

Isaiah 63:1, 4

Who is this coming from Edom, from Bozrah, with his garments stained crimson? Who is this, robed in splendor, striding forward in the greatness of his strength? It is I, speaking in righteousness, mighty to save...For the day of vengeance was in my heart, and the year of my redemption has come.

Isaiah 66:15

See, the Lord is coming with fire, and his chariots are like a whirlwind; he will bring down his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire. For with fire and with his sword the Lord will execute judgment upon all men, and many will be those slain by the Lord.

Jeremiah 25:29, 33

I am calling down a sword upon all who live on the earth, declares the Lord Almighty...At that time those slain by the Lord will be everywhere - from one end of the earth to the other.

Jeremiah 46:10

But that day belongs to the Lord, the Lord Almighty - a day of vengeance, for vengeance on his foes.

Ezekiel 40:3

For the day of the Lord is near, the day of the Lord is near - a day of clouds, a time of doom for the nations.

Joel 1:15

Alas for that day! For the day of the Lord is near; it will come like destruction from the Almighty.

Joel 2:1-2

Blow the trumpet in Zion; sound the alarm on my holy hill. Let all who live in the land tremble for the day of the Lord is coming. It is close at hand - a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and blackness.

Joel 2:11

The Lord thunders at the head of his army; his forces are beyond number, and mighty are those who obey his command. The day of the Lord is great; it is dreadful. Who can endure it?

Joel 2:30-31

I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

Joel 3:14

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

Amos 2:16

"Even the bravest warriors will flee naked on that day," declares the Lord.

Amos 5:18-20

Woe to you who long for the day of the Lord! Why do you long for the day of the Lord? That day will be darkness, not light. It will be as though a man fled from a lion only to meet a bear, as though he entered his house and rested his hand on the wall only to have a snake bite him. Will not the day of the Lord be darkness, not light - pitch-dark, without a ray of brightness?

Obadiah 15

The day of the Lord is near for all nations. As you have done, it will be done to you; your deeds will return upon your own head.

Zephaniah 1:7

Be silent before the Sovereign Lord, for the day of the Lord is near.

Zephaniah 1:14

The great day of the Lord is near - near and coming quickly.

Zephaniah 1:15-16

That day will be a day of wrath - a day of distress and anguish, a day of trouble and ruin, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and blackness - a day of trumpet and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the corner towers.

Zephaniah 1:18

Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to save them on the day of the Lord's wrath. In the fire of his jealousy the whole world will be consumed, for he will make a sudden end of all who live in the earth.

Zechariah 12:2

I am going to make Jerusalem a cup that sends all the surrounding peoples reeling. Judah will be besieged as well as Jerusalem. On that day, when all the nations of the earth are gathered against her, I will make Jerusalem an immovable rock for all the nations. All who try to move it will injure themselves.

Zechariah 12:8

On that day the Lord will shield those who live in Jerusalem, so that the feeblest among them will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the Angel of the Lord going before them. On that day I will set out to destroy all the nations that attack Jerusalem.

Zechariah 13:1

On that day a fountain will be opened to the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and impurity.

Malachi 4:1-3

"Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire," says the Lord Almighty. "Not a root or a branch will be left to them. But for you who revere my name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings. And you will go out and leap like calves released from the stall. Then you will trample down the wicked; they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day when I do these things," says the Lord Almighty.

Malachi 4:5

See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes.

Matthew 24:29-31

Immediately after the distress of those days "the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken." At that time the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and all the nations of the earth will mourn. They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

Matthew 24:36

No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.

Matthew 25:31-33

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Luke 17:30-31

It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed. On that day no one who is on the roof of his house with his goods inside, should go down to get them.

Luke 21:34-36

Be careful, or your hearts will be weighed down with dissipation, drunkenness and the anxieties of life, and that day will close on you unexpectedly like a trap. For it will come upon all those who live on the face of the whole earth. Be always on the watch, and pray that you may be able to escape all that is about to happen, and that you may be able to stand before the Son of Man.

Acts 2:19-21

I will show wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth below; blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-3

Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. While people are saying, "Peace and safety," destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

2 Peter 3:10

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare.

Revelation 6:15-17

Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and everyone else, both slave and free, hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. They called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can withstand it?"

Revelation 16:17

The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!"

Revelation 19:11-21

I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron scepter. He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

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DEATH AND LIFE

Genesis 2:7

Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

Genesis 3:3

The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'"

Deuteronomy 30:15

See, I set before you today life and prosperity, death and destruction.

Deuteronomy 30:19

This day I call the heavens and the earth as witnesses against you that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Now choose life, so that you and your children may live.

Deuteronomy 32:30

See now that I myself am he. There is no god besides me. I put to death and I bring to life, I have wounded and I will heal, and no one can deliver out of my hand.

Psalms 56:13

For you have delivered me from death and my feet from stumbling, that I may walk before God in the light of life.

Psalms 116:15

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints.

Proverbs 8:35-36

For whoever finds me finds life and receives favor from the Lord. But whoever fails to find me harms himself; all who hate me love death.

Proverbs 10:16

The wages of the righteous is life, but the earnings of the wicked are sin and death.

Proverbs 14:12

There is a way that seems right to a man, but in the end it leads to death.

Proverbs 18:21

The tongue has the power of life and death, and those who love it will eat its fruit.

Ecclesiastes 7:1

A good name is better than fine perfume, and the day of death better than the day of birth.

Ecclesiastes 7:2

It is better to go to a house of mourning than to go to a house of feasting, for death is the destiny of every man; the living should take this to heart.

Isaiah 25:7-8

On this mountain he will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; he will swallow up death forever.

Isaiah 53:12

Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because He poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Isaiah 57:1-2

The righteous perish, and no one ponders it in his heart; devout men are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil. Those who walk uprightly enter into peace; they find rest as they lie in death.

Jeremiah 21:8

Furthermore, tell the people, "This is what the Lord says: See, I am setting before you the way of life and the way of death.

Matthew 25:41, 46

Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels." ...Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 5:24

Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.

John 5:25-26

I tell you the truth, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son to have life in himself.

John 5:29

Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice, and come out - those who have done good will rise to live, and those who have done evil will rise to be condemned.

John 11:25

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

John 14:6

Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

Acts 24:15

I have the same hope in God as these men, that there will be a resurrection of both the righteous and the wicked.

Romans 4:25

He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

Romans 5:12

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned.

Romans 5:17

For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

Romans 6:13

Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather offer yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and offer every part of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness.

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1-2

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

1 Corinthians 15:21-22

For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:51

Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed - in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

1 Corinthians 15:56-57

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:21

For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

1 Thessalonians 4:14

According to the Lord's own words, we tell you that we who are still alive, who are left till the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who have fallen asleep.

2 Thessalonians 1:9-10

They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed.

2 Timothy 4:8

Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day - and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Hebrews 2:14-15

Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death - that is, the devil - and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death.

Hebrews 9:27

Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people, and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

2 Peter 2:12

But these men blaspheme in matters they do not understand. They are like brute beasts, creatures of instinct, born only to be caught and destroyed, and like beasts they too will perish.

Revelation 1:18

I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades.

Revelation 2:11

He who overcomes will not be hurt at all by the second death.

Revelation 14:13

Then I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes, says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor for their deeds will follow them."

Revelation 20:6

Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

Revelation 20:14

The lake of fire is the second death.

Revelation 21:4

There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.

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DEATH, HADES, SHEOL, HELL

The Greek word *hades*, like the Hebrew equivalent, *sheol*, is used in two ways:

1. To indicate the condition of the unsaved between death and the great white throne judgment (Revelation 20:11-15). Luke 16:23-24 shows that the lost in *hades* are conscious, possess full use of their faculties, memory, etc. and are in torment. This continues until the final judgment of the lost (2 Peter 2:9), when all the unsaved, and *hades* itself, will be cast into the lake of fire (Revelation 20:13-15).
2. To indicate, in general, the condition of all departed human spirits between death and the resurrection. This usage is found occasionally in the OT but rarely, if ever, in the NT. (compare Genesis 37:35; 42:38; 44:29, 31). It should not lead anyone to think that there is a possibility of change from one state to the other after death, for verse 23 of Luke 16 shows that when the unsaved man who was in *hades* saw Abraham and Lazarus, they were "far away," and verse 26 states that between the two places there is a great chasm fixed, so that no one can cross from one to the other.

(Note from NIV New Scofield Study Bible at Luke 16:23)

Mark 9:43-48

If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life crippled than to have two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into hell, where "their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched."

Luke 16:19-26

There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores, and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores.

The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, "Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire."

But Abraham replied, "Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has

been fixed, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us."

John 8:21

Jesus said to them, "I am going away, and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. Where I go, you cannot come...If you do not believe that I am the one I claim to be, you will indeed die in your sins."

2 Peter 2:9

The Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment, while continuing their punishment.

Revelation 1:18

I hold the keys of death and Hades.

Revelation 2:11

He who overcomes will not be hurt at all by the second death.

Revelation 19:20

But the beast was captured, and with him the false prophet who had performed the miraculous signs on his behalf. With these signs he had deluded those who had received the mark of the beast and worshiped his image. The two of them were thrown alive into the fiery lake of burning sulfur.

Revelation 20:6

Blessed and holy are those who have part in the first resurrection. The second death has no power over them, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with him for a thousand years.

Revelation 20:10

And the devil, who deceived them, was thrown into the lake of burning sulfur, where the beast and the false prophet had been thrown. They will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Revelation 20:11-15

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to what he had done. Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

Revelation 21:8

But the cowardly, the unbelieving, the vile, the murderers, the sexually immoral, those who practice magic arts, the idolaters, and all liars - their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur. This is the second death.

Isaiah 66:24

And they will go out and look upon the dead bodies of those who rebelled against me; their worm will not die, nor will their fire be quenched, and they will be loathsome to all mankind.

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DECREE, DECLARE, PROCLAIM

Sing to the Lord, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. - 1 Chronicles 16:23-25

Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee; and the light shall shine upon thy ways. Job 22:28 KJV

You shall also decide and decree a thing, and it shall be established for you: and the light [of God's favor] shall shine upon your ways. Job 22:28 AMP

Sing praises to the Lord, enthroned in Zion; proclaim among the nations what he has done. - Psalm 9:11

I will declare your name to my brothers; in the congregation I will praise you. - Psalm 22:22

Proclaim the power of God, whose majesty is over Israel, whose power is in the skies. - Psalm 68:34

My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor all day long. - Psalm 71:8

My mouth will tell of your righteousness, of your salvation all day long, though I know not its measure. - Psalm 71:15

I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, O Sovereign Lord; I will proclaim your righteousness, yours alone. - Psalm 71:16

Even when I am old and gray, do not forsake me, O God, till I declare your power to the next generation, your might to all who are to come. - Psalm 71:18

My tongue will tell of your righteous acts all day long. - Psalm 71:24

Proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. - Psalm 96:2-3

I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the Lord has done. - Psalm 118:17

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. - Isaiah 12:4

"We hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" - Acts 2:11

I declare to you today that I am innocent of the blood of all men. For I have not hesitated to proclaim to you the whole will of God. - Acts 20:27

That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked at and our hands have touched - this we proclaim concerning the Word of life. The life appeared; we have seen it and testify to it, and we proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and has appeared to us. - 1 John 1-2

Whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. - 1 Corinthians 11:26

We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. - 1 John 1:3

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. - 1 John 1:5

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DELIGHT

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart. (Psalm 37:4)

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. (Psalm 1:2)

As for the saints who are in the land, they are the glorious ones in whom is all my delight. (Psalm 16:3)

Lord, you have assigned me my portion and my cup, you have made my lot secure. The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance. (Psalm 16:5-6)

If the Lord delights in a man's way, he makes his steps firm. (Psalm 37:23)

I delight to do thy will, O my God (Psalm 40:8)

Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me; let them bring me to your holy mountain, to the place where you dwell. Then I will go to the altar of God, to God, my joy and my delight. (Psalm 43:3-4)

Let your compassion come to me that I may live, for your law is my delight. (Psalm 119:77)

The Lord detests lying lips, but he delights in men who are truthful. (Proverbs 12:22)

Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare. (Isaiah 55:2)

I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For he has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. (Isaiah 61:10)

"Let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on the earth, for in these I delight," declares the Lord. (Jeremiah 9:24)

When your words came, I ate them; they were my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear your name, O Lord God Almighty. (Jeremiah 15:16)

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. (Micah 7:18)

The Lord your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing. (Zephaniah 3:17)

Here is my servant whom I have chosen, the one I love, in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him, and he will proclaim justice to the nations. (Matthew 12:18)

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DELIVER US FROM EVIL

Exodus 3:8

So I have come down to rescue them from the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land into a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey.

2 Samuel 22:17-18, 20

He reached down from on high and took hold of me; he drew me out of deep waters. He rescued me from my powerful enemy, from my foes, who were too strong for me...He brought me out into a spacious place; he rescued me because he delighted in me.

1 Chronicles 16:34-35

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Cry out, "Save us, God our Savior: gather us and deliver us from the nations, that we may give thanks to your holy name, and glory in your praise."

Psalm 3:7-8

Arise, Lord! Deliver me, my God! Strike all my enemies on the jaw; break the teeth of the wicked. From the Lord comes deliverance.

Psalm 6:4

Turn, Lord, and deliver me; save me because of your unfailing love.

Psalm 23:4

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Psalm 33:18-19

But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.

Psalm 34:4-7

I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame. This poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles. The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them.

Psalm 34:17

The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.

Psalm 34:19

The righteous person may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all.

Psalm 37:39-40

The salvation of the righteous comes from the Lord; he is their stronghold in time of trouble. The Lord helps them and delivers them.

Psalm 41:1-2

Blessed is he who has regard for the weak; the Lord delivers him in times of trouble. The Lord will protect him and preserve his life; he will bless him in the land and not surrender him to the desire of his foes.

Psalm 44:26

Rise up and help us; rescue us because of your unfailing love.

Psalm 59:1

Deliver me from my enemies, O God; be my fortress against those who are attacking me.

Psalm 91:9-11

If you make the Most High your dwelling - even the Lord, who is my refuge - then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

Psalm 138:7

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life. You stretch out your hand against the anger of my foes; with your right hand you save me.

Isaiah 43:12-13

"You are my witnesses," declares the Lord, "that I am God. Yes, and from ancient days I am he. No one can deliver out of my hand. When I act, who can reverse it?"

Isaiah 50:2

Was my arm too short to deliver you? Do I lack the strength to rescue you?

Jeremiah 1:8

"Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the Lord.

Jeremiah 39:17

"But I will rescue you on that day, declares the Lord; you will not be given into the hands of those you fear. I will save you; you will not fall by the sword but will escape with your life, because you trust in me," declares the Lord.

Galatians 1:4-5

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

DEPOSIT OF HOLY SPIRIT

Ephesians 1:14-15

When you believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession - to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 4:30

And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 NIV

Now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 RSV

But it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

2 Corinthians 5:1-5

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, an eternal house in heaven, not built by human hands. Meanwhile we groan, longing to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, because when we are clothed, we will not be found naked. For while we are in this tent, we groan and are burdened, because we do not wish to be unclothed but to be clothed instead with our heavenly dwelling, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life. Now the one who has fashioned us for this very purpose is God, who has given us the Spirit as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come.

2 Timothy 1:14

Guard the good deposit that was entrusted to you - guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

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DISCIPLES

JESUS TOLD THIS TO HIS DISCIPLES

If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. - Luke 9:23

The knowledge of the secrets of the kingdom of heaven has been given to you, but not to them. Whoever has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. - Matthew 13:11-12

These twelve [disciples] Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Do not go among the Gentiles or enter any town of the Samaritans. Go rather to the lost sheep of Israel. As you go preach this message: 'The kingdom of heaven is near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give." - Matthew 10:5-8

Do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven - Luke 10:20

Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple - Luke 14:27

AFTER JESUS RESURRECTION

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" - John 20:19

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. - Matthew 28:19-20

I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high. - Luke 24:49

When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. - Luke 24:50-51

He was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven." - Acts 1:9-11

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. - Acts 2:1-4

Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it. - Mark 16:20

TESTS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Obedience

If you love me, you will obey what I command. - John 14:15

Faithfulness

This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. - John 15:8

Perseverance

If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. - John 8:31

Love

By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another. - John 13:35

Humility

A student is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for the student to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. - Matthew 10:24-25

Surrender of all

If anyone comes to me and does not hate his father and mother, his wife and children, his brothers and sisters - yes, even his own life - he cannot be my disciple...In the same way, any of you who does not give up everything he has cannot be my disciple. - Luke 14:26, 33

Bearing the cross

If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me will find it. - Matthew 16:24, 25

REWARDS OF DISCIPLESHIP

Acknowledged by Christ

Pointing to his disciples, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers. For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother." - Matthew 12:49, 50

Enlightened by Christ

I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life. - John 8:12

Guided by the Spirit

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. - John 16:13

Honored by the Father

Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me. - John 12:26

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DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED

Between those who serve God and those who do not

Malachi 3:16-18

Then those who feared the Lord talked with each other, and the Lord listened and heard. A scroll of remembrance was written in his presence concerning those who feared the Lord and honored his name.

"They will be mine," says the Lord Almighty, "in the day when I make up my treasured possession. I will spare them, just as in compassion a man spares his son who serves him. And you will again see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between those who serve God and those who do not."

Genesis 6:9-14

Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God. Noah had three sons: Shem, Ham and Japheth. Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight and was full of violence. God saw how corrupt the earth had become, for all the people on earth had corrupted their ways. So God said to Noah, "I am going to put an end to all people, for the earth is filled with violence because of them. I am surely going to destroy both them and the earth. So make yourself an ark.

Genesis 18:25

Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous people in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing - to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?"

The Lord said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake."

Deuteronomy 7:9-10

Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; he is the faithful God, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love him and keep his commands. But those who hate him he will repay to their face by destruction; he will not be slow to repay to their face those who hate him.

Isaiah 26:20-21

Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by. See, the Lord is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins.

Psalms 1:1-6

Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or set in the seat of mockers.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night. He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Psalm 73:27-28

Those who are far from you will perish; you destroy all who are unfaithful to you. But as for me, it is good to be near God. I have made the Sovereign Lord my refuge.

Proverbs 10:20

The tongue of the righteous is choice silver, but the heart of the wicked is of little value.

Proverbs 11:21

Be sure of this: The wicked will not go unpunished, but those who are righteous will go free.

Isaiah 57:1-2, 20

The righteous perish and no one ponders it in his heart; devout men are taken away, and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil. Those who walk uprightly enter into peace; they find rest as they lie in death.

But the wicked are like the tossing sea, which cannot rest, whose waves cast up mire and mud. "There is no peace," says my God, "for the wicked."

Matthew 13:36-43

His disciples came to him and said, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds in the field."

He answered, "The one who sowed the good seed is the Son of Man. The field is the world, and the good seed stands for the sons of the kingdom. The weeds are the sons of the evil one, and the enemy who sows them is the devil. The harvest is the end of the age and the harvesters are angels.

"As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear."

Matthew 25:31-34, 41, 46

When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the King will say to those on his right, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world."

Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels." Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.

John 12:44-48

Then Jesus cried out, "When a man believes in me, he does not believe in me only, but in the one who sent me. When he looks at me, he sees the one who sent me. I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness.

As for the person who hears my words but does not keep them, I do not judge him. For I did not come to judge the world, but to save it. There is a judge for the one who rejects me, and does not accept my words; that very word which I spoke will condemn him at the last day."

2 Corinthians 6:14-16

Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols?

2 Corinthians 6:17

"Therefore come out from them and be separate," says the Lord. "Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you."

Revelation 20:4-5

I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to judge. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

Revelation 20:11-13, 15

Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. Earth and sky fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books. If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

DO NOT BE AFRAID

Genesis 26:24

Do not be afraid, for I am with you.

Exodus 14:11-14

Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still.

Exodus 20:20

Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning.

Deuteronomy 1:21

See, the Lord your God has given you the land. Go up and take possession of it as the Lord, the God of your fathers, told you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.”

Deuteronomy 3:22

Do not be afraid of them; the Lord your God himself will fight for you.

Deuteronomy 4:24

Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.

Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

2 Chronicles 20:15, 17

This is what the Lord says to you: “Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God’s...You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you...do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you.”

Psalm 23:4-5

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Psalm 27:1, 3

The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid? ... Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then will I be confident.

Psalm 34:4

I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

Psalm 56:3

When I am afraid, I will trust in you.

Psalm 91:4-6

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

Proverbs 1:33

But whoever listens to me (Wisdom) will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Proverbs 3:24

My son, preserve sound judgment and discernment...they will be life for you...When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.

Proverbs 3:25-26

Have no fear of sudden disaster or of the ruin that overtakes the wicked, for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared.

Isaiah 41:10

So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:13

For I am the Lord, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.

Isaiah 43:1-2

But now, this is what the Lord says—he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. 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.

Isaiah 54:4

Do not be afraid; you will not suffer shame. Do not fear disgrace; you will not be humiliated.

Jeremiah 1:8

Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you.

Matthew 10:28

Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul.

Matthew 10:31

And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

Matthew 28:20

And lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age.

Mark 5:36

Don't be afraid; just believe.

Luke 12:32

Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

2 Timothy 1:7 NLT

For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love and self-discipline.

Hebrews 13:5-6

God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you." So we say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?"

1 Peter 3:14

But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened.

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DOORS

Yet he gave a command to the skies above and opened the doors of the heavens; he rained down manna for the people to eat, he gave them grain of heaven. Men ate the bread of angels; he sent them all the food they could eat. - Psalm 78:23-25

In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month - on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened. And rain fell on the earth forty days and forty nights. - Genesis 7:11-12

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it." - Malachi 3:10

But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. Later the others also came. "Sir! Sir!" they said. "Open the door for us!" But he replied, "I tell you the truth, I don't know you." - Matthew 25:10-12

He said to them, "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, "Sir, open the door for us." But he will answer, "I don't know you or where you come from" - Luke 13:24-25

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, the person who does not enter the sheepfold by the door, but climbs in some other way, is a thief and a robber. The one who enters by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. The one who guards the door opens it for him. - John 10:1-3 NCV

Jesus said again, "I tell you the truth, I am the door for the sheep. ... I am the door, and the person who enters through me will be saved and will be able to come in and go out and find pasture. - John 10:7, 9 NCV

On arriving there, they gathered the church together and reported all that God had done through them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. - Acts 14:27

But I will stay on at Ephesus until Pentecost, because a great door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many who oppose me. - 1 Corinthians 16:8-9

And pray for us, too, that God may open a door for our message, so that we may proclaim the mystery of Christ, for which I am in chains. - Colossians 4:3

These are the words of him who is holy and true, who holds the key of David. What he opens no one can shut, and what he shuts no one can open. I know your deeds. See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut. - Revelation 3:8

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me. - Revelation 3:20

After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. - Revelation 4:1

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DOVE

Genesis 8:8

Then he [Noah] sent out a dove to see if the water had receded from the surface of the ground.

Psalm 55:6

I said, "Oh, that I had the wings of a dove! I would fly away and be at rest.

Psalm 68:13 NIV

Even while you sleep among the sheep pens (or campfires or saddlebags), the wings of my dove are sheathed with silver, its feathers with shining gold.

Psalm 68:13 NLT

Even those who lived among the sheepfolds found treasures - doves with wings of silver and feathers of gold.

SOS 2:14

My dove in the clefts of the rock, in the hiding places on the mountainside, show me your face, let me hear your voice; for your voice is sweet, and your face is lovely.

SOS 6:9

But my dove, my perfect one, is unique.

Isaiah 60:8

Who are these that fly along like clouds, like doves to their nests?

Jeremiah 8:7

Even the stork in the sky knows her appointed seasons, and the dove, the swift and the thrush observe the time of their migration.

Matthew 3:16

As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.

Matthew 10:16

I am sending you out like sheep among wolves. Therefore be as shrewd as snakes and as innocent as doves.

Mark 1:9-10

At that time Jesus came from Nazareth in Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. Just as Jesus was coming up out of the water, he saw heaven being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.

Luke 3:21

When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove.

John 1:32

Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him."

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DRAWING NEAR TO GOD

One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord, and to seek him in his temple. (Psalm 27:4)

SET YOURSELF APART TO BE ALONE WITH HIM

Song of Solomon 8:14
Come away, My beloved.

BE STILL

Psalm 46:10
Be still and know that I am God.

Psalm 37:7
Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him.

HUMBLE YOURSELF BEFORE THE LORD

James 4:10
Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

Psalm 25:9
He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

SUBMIT YOURSELF TO GOD

James 4:7
Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

STAND AND WATCH

Habakkuk 2:1
I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me and what answer I am to give.

WAIT

Proverbs 8:34

Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my doors, waiting at my doorway. For whoever finds me finds life, and receives favor from the Lord.

Psalm 27:14

Wait for the Lord, be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord.

GET CLEANSED

Psalm 51:7

Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

LISTEN

1 Samuel 3:10

The Lord came and stood there, calling as at the other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" Then Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

FORGIVE OTHERS

Matthew 6:12

Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

REPENT FROM SINS

Matthew 4:17

From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is near."

READ THE WORD

John 15:7

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you.

PRAY

Jeremiah 29:12

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you.

SEEK HIM

Jeremiah 29:13

You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. I will be found by you.

Psalm 27:8

My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek.

ASK AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE

Matthew 7:7-8

Ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find, knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.

THANK HIM

Psalm 100:4

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

SING TO THE LORD

Psalm 95:1-2

Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

LOVE THE LORD

Matthew 22:37

Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment."

BLESS THE LORD

Psalm 103:1

Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

PRAISE THE LORD

Psalm 150:6

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.

1 Chronicles 16:24-25

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise.

TURN YOUR EYES UPON JESUS

Psalm 123:1

I lift up my eyes to you, to you whose throne is in heaven.

2 Chronicles 20:12

We do not know what to do, but our eyes are upon you.

Hebrews 12:2

Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.

CALL ON HIS NAME

Isaiah 55:6

Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near.

Psalm 145:18

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

TAKE COMMUNION

Luke 22:19

And he took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you."

COME TO HIM EARLY IN THE DAY

Psalm 5:3

In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.

TRUST

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your path.

REST

Matthew 11:28-29

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Isaiah 30:15

In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength.

FEAR THE LORD

Psalm 25:12

Who, then is the man that fears the Lord? He will instruct him in the way chosen for him.

Psalm 25:14

The Lord confides in those who fear him; he makes his covenant known to them.

DRAW NEAR

Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. (Hebrews 10:22)

But as for me, it is good to be near God. (Psalm 73:28)

Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. (Jeremiah 29:12)

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. (Psalm 145:18)

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. (Matthew 11:28-29)

Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts! We are filled with the good things of your house, of your holy temple. (Psalm 65:4)

Come near to God and he will come near to you. (James 4:8)

The Lord is with you when you are with him. If you seek him, he will be found by you. (2 Chronicles 15:2)

"Return to me, and I will return to you," says the Lord Almighty. (Malachi 3:7)

Therefore brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. (Hebrews 10:19-22)

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DREAMS

And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days. - Joel 2:28-29

For God does speak - now one way, now another - though man may not perceive it. In a dream, in a vision of the night, when deep sleep falls on men as they slumber in their beds, he may speak in their ears and terrify them with warnings, to turn man from wrongdoing, and keep him from pride, to preserve his soul from the pit, his life from perishing by the sword. - Job 33:15

But God came to Abimelech in a dream one night and said to him... - Genesis 20:3

Jacob left Beersheba and set out for Haran. When he reached a certain place, he stopped for the night because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones there, he put it under his head and lay down to sleep. He had a dream in which he saw a stairway [ladder] resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. - Genesis 28:10-12

In breeding season I once had a dream in which I looked up and saw that the male goats mating with the flock were streaked, speckled or spotted. The angel of God said to me in the dream, "Jacob." I answered, "Here I am." - Genesis 31:10-11

Then God came to Laban the Aramean in a dream at night and said to him, "Be careful not to say anything to Jacob, either good or bad." - Genesis 31:24

Joseph had a dream, and when he told it to his brothers, they hated him all the more. - Genesis 37:5

The cupbearer and the baker of the king of Egypt offended their master, the king of Egypt....and [he] put them in custody in the house of the captain of the guard, in the same prison where Joseph was confined... they had a dream the same night, and each dream had a meaning of its own... then Joseph said to them, "Do not interpretations belong to God? Tell me your dreams." - Genesis 40:1-8

We told him our dreams, and he interpreted them for us, giving each man the interpretation of his dream. - Genesis 41:12

Pharaoh had a dream...he fell asleep again and had a second dream...no one could interpret them for him...Pharaoh sent for Joseph..."I cannot do it," Joseph replied to Pharaoh, "but God will give Pharaoh the answer he desires." - Genesis 41:1-16

Then Joseph said to Pharaoh, "The dreams of Pharaoh are one and the same. - Genesis 41:25

Then the Lord came down in a pillar of cloud... He said, "Listen to my words: "When a prophet of the Lord is among you, I reveal myself to him in visions, I speak to him in dreams." - Numbers 12:5-6

If a prophet, or one who foretells by dreams, appears among you and announces to you a miraculous sign or wonder, and if the sign or wonder of which he has spoken takes place, and he says, "Let us follow other gods" (gods you have not known) "and let us worship them," you must not listen to the words of that prophet or dreamer. The Lord your God is testing you to find out whether you love him with all your heart and with all your soul. - Deuteronomy 13:1-3

Gideon arrived just as a man was telling a friend his dream. "I had a dream," he was saying. "A round loaf of barley bread came tumbling into the Midianite camp. It struck the tent with such force that the tent overturned and collapsed," - Judges 7:13

At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon during the night in a dream, and God said, "Ask for whatever you want me to give you." - 1 Kings 3:5

Let the prophet who has a dream tell his dream, but let the one who has my word speak it faithfully. - Jeremiah 23:28

In the second year of his reign, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; his mind was troubled and he could not sleep. - Daniel 2:1

But after he [Joseph] considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit." - Matthew 1:20

When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. "Get up," he said, "take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him." - Matthew 2:13

And having been warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, they [Wise men] returned to their country by another route. - Matthew 2:12

While Pilate was sitting on the judge's seat, his wife sent him this message: "Don't have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him." - Matthew 27:19

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DUST

The Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. - Genesis 2:7

The Hebrew for *man* (*adam*) sounds like and may be related to the Hebrew for *ground* (*adamah*); it is also the name *Adam*. (see Genesis 2:20) (Note at Genesis 2:7 at the word *man* in Scofield New Study Bible, pg 5)

Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. - Genesis 2:19

By the sweat of your brow you will eat your food until you return to the ground, since from it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you will return. - Genesis 3:19

If it were his intention and he withdrew his spirit and breath, all mankind would perish together and man would return to the dust. - Job 34:14-15

All who go down to the dust will kneel before him - those who cannot keep themselves alive. - Psalm 22:29

You turn men back to dust, saying, "Return to dust, O sons of men." - Psalm 90:3

As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers we are dust. - Psalm 103:14

When you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust. When you send your Spirit, they are created. - Psalm 104:29-30

All go to the same place; all come from dust, and to dust all return. - Ecclesiastes 3:20

Remember him - before the silver cord is severed, or the golden bowl is broken; before the pitcher is shattered at the spring, or the wheel broken at the well, and the dust returns to the ground it came from, and the spirit returns to God who gave it. - Ecclesiastes 12:7

But your dead will live; their bodies will rise. You who dwell in the dust, wake up and shout for joy. Your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead. - Isaiah 26:19

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth... He spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam." So the man went and washed, and came home seeing. - John 9:1, 6-7

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DWELL

One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple. (Psalm 27:4)

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. (Psalm 91:1)

If you make the Most High your dwelling - even the Lord, who is my refuge - then no harm will befall you, no disaster will come near your tent. For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. (Psalm 91:9-11)

Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever. (Psalm 23:6)

I love the house where you live, O Lord, the place where your glory dwells. (Psalm 26:8)

Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me; let them bring me to your holy mountain, to the place where you dwell. (Psalm 43:3)

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. (Psalm 46:4-5)

Blessed are those you choose and bring near to live in your courts! We are filled with the good things of your house, of your holy temple. (Psalm 65:4)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty! My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the Lord; my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God. (Psalm 84:1-3)

Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you. (Psalm 84:4)

Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. For the Lord is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. (Psalm 84:10-11)

Let us go to his dwelling place; let us worship at his footstool. (Psalm 132:7)

There was also a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple, but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. (Luke 2:36-37)

EACH MAN'S WORK

1 Corinthians 3:12-13

If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames.

Joshua 24:15

Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve. But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.

Matthew 5:16

In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven.

Matthew 13:8

Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop - a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. He who has an ear, let him hear.

Matthew 25:14-15

It will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents or money, to another two talents, and to another one talent, each according to his ability.

John 6:27

Do not work for food that spoils, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you.

John 9:4

As long as it is day, we must do the work of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work.

Acts 9:36

In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha..., who was always doing good and helping the poor.

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Ephesians 4:11

It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Philippians 2:13

It is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose.

Colossians 3:23-24

Whatever you do work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Hebrews 6:10

God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.

James 2:14, 17-18

What good is it, my brothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? ...Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by what I do.

1 Peter 2:12

Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.

EARTHQUAKES

1 Kings 19:11

The Lord said [to Elijah], "Go out and stand on the mountain in the presence of the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Then a great and powerful wind tore the mountains apart and shattered the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind there was an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire came a gentle whisper. When Elijah heard it, he pulled his cloak over his face and went out and stood at the mouth of the cave.

Isaiah 29:5-6

Suddenly, in an instant, the Lord Almighty will come with thunder and earthquake and great noise, with windstorm and tempest and flames of a devouring fire.

Joel 3:14-16

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision. The sun and moon will be darkened, and the stars no longer shine. The Lord will roar from Zion and thunder from Jerusalem; the earth and the sky will tremble. But the Lord will be a refuge for his people, a stronghold for the people of Israel.

Zechariah 14:4-7

On that day his feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two from east to west, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south. You will flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with him.

On that day there will be no light, no cold or frost. It will be a unique day, without daytime or nighttime - a day known to the Lord. When evening comes, there will be light.

Matthew 24:7-8

Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains.

Matthew 27:50-53

And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit. At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook and the rocks split. The tombs broke open and the bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life. They came out of the tombs, and after Jesus' resurrection they went into the holy city and appeared to many people.

Matthew 28:1-2

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it.

Mark 13:8

Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places, and famines. These are the beginning of birth pains.

Luke 21:10-11

Then he said to them: "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

Acts 16:25-26

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the other prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was such a violent earthquake that the foundations of the prison were shaken. At once all the prison doors flew open, and everybody's chains came loose.

Revelation 6:12

I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as late figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. The sky receded like a scroll, rolling up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place.

Revelation 11:13

At that very hour [when the two witnesses were resurrected] there was a severe earthquake and a tenth of the city collapsed. Seven thousand people were killed in the earthquake, and the survivors were terrified and gave glory to the God of heaven.

Revelation 11:19

Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and within his temple was seen the ark of his covenant. And there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake and a great hailstorm.

Revelation 16:17-21

The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!" then there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake. No earthquake like it has ever occurred since man has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed...Every island fled away

and the mountains could not be found. From the sky huge hailstones of about a hundred pounds each fell upon men.

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END OF THE AGE

But as for you, go your way to the end; then you will enter into rest and rise again for your allotted portion at the end of the age. - Daniel 12:13

The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. - Matthew 13:39

As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. - Matthew 13:40

This is how it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come and separate the wicked from the righteous and throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. - Matthew 13:49

As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?" - Matthew 24:3

And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. - Matthew 28:20

But now, once for all time, he has appeared at the end of the age to remove sin by his own death as a sacrifice. - Hebrews 9:26

Whom God in His power is guarding through faith for a salvation that even now stands ready for unveiling at the end of the age. - 1 Peter 1:5

ETERNAL - EVERLASTING - WITHOUT END

APPLIED TO THE TRINITY

Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God. - Psalm 90:2

The Lord brought me forth as the first of his works, before his deeds of old; I was appointed from eternity, from the beginning, before the world began. - Proverbs 8:22-23

How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God! - Hebrews 9:14

APPLIED TO GOD'S ATTRIBUTES

What may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities - his eternal power and divine nature - have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse. - Romans 1:19-20

Give ear and come to me; hear me, that your soul may live. I will make an everlasting covenant with you, my faithful love promised to David. - Isaiah 55:3

His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose which he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord. - Ephesians 3:10-11

Your righteousness is everlasting and your law is true... Your statutes are forever right. - Psalm 119:142, 144

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations. - Psalm 145:13

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. - Psalm 100:5

The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love." - Jeremiah 31:3

I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself. - Psalm 89:2

APPLIED TO THE BELIEVER

Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. - John 3:14-15

He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption. - Hebrews 9:12

Although he was a son, he learned obedience from what he suffered, and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him. - Hebrews 5:8-9

For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance. - Hebrews 9:15

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. - 1 Peter 5:10

Even now the reaper draws his wages, even now he harvests the crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. - John 4:36

May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word. - 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

I will give them an everlasting name that will not be cut off. - Isaiah 56:5

The sun will no more be your light by day, nor will the brightness of the moon shine on you, for the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your God will be your glory. - Isaiah 60:19

The ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads. - Isaiah 51:11

I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings. - Luke 16:9

APPLIED TO THE WICKED

But whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will never be forgiven; he is guilty of an eternal sin. - Mark 3:29

Let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again the foundation of ... the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment. - Hebrews 6:2

Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life. - Matthew 25:46

They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power. - 2 Thessalonians 1:9

Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. - Daniel 12:2

And the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but abandoned their own home - these he has kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for the judgment on the great Day. - Jude 6

They serve as an example of those who suffer the punishment of eternal fire. - Jude 7

Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. - Matthew 25:41

APPLIED TO THE WORD

Your word, O Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues through all generations; you established the earth, and it endures. Your laws endure to this day, for all things serve you. - Psalm 119:89-91

Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away. - Matthew 24:35

For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. For, "All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever." - 1 Peter 1:25

APPLIED TO FAITH, HOPE, LOVE

Three things will last forever - faith, hope and love - and the greatest of these is love. - 1 Corinthians 13:13 NLT

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EXPECTATION

Psalm 5:3

In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation.

Romans 8:19

The creation waits in eager expectation for the sons of God to be revealed.

Matthew 24:44

So you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

Philippians 1:20-24

I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.

Hebrews 10:26-27

If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God.

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EYES OF THE LORD

FIGURATIVE OF
OMNISCIENCE

2 Chronicles 16:9

For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

JUSTICE

Amos 9:8

Surely the eyes of the Sovereign Lord are on the sinful kingdom.

HOLINESS

Habakkuk 1:13

Your eyes are too pure to look on evil; you cannot tolerate wrongdoing.

GUIDANCE

Psalm 32:8

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.

PROTECTION

Psalm 33:18-19

But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.

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### **Genesis 6:8**

**But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.**

### **Deuteronomy 11:12**

**It is the land the Lord your God cares for; the eyes of the Lord your God are continually on it from the beginning of the year to its end.**

### **1 Kings 8:29**

**May your eyes be open toward this temple night and day, this place of which you said, 'My Name shall be there,' so that you will hear the prayer your servant prays toward this place.**

**1 Kings 15:11**

**Asa did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, as his father David had done.**

**2 Chronicles 6:40**

**Now, my God, may your eyes be open and your ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.**

**2 Chronicles 16:9**

**For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.**

**Ezra 5:5**

**But the eye of their God was watching over the elders of the Jews.**

**Nehemiah 1:6**

**Lord, let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for your servants, the people of Israel.**

**Psalms 32:8**

**I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my loving eye on you.**

**Psalms 33:18-19**

**But the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.**

**Psalms 34:15**

**The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry.**

**Psalms 139:16**

**Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.**

**Proverbs 15:3**

**The eyes of the Lord are everywhere, keeping watch on the wicked and the good.**

**Proverbs 20:8**

**When a king sits on his throne to judge, he winnows out all evil with his eyes.**

**Proverbs 22:12**

**The eyes of the Lord keep watch over knowledge, but he frustrates the words of the unfaithful.**

**Isaiah 37:17**

**Give ear, Lord, and hear; open your eyes, Lord, and see; listen to all the words Sennacherib has sent to ridicule the living God.**

**Jeremiah 24:6**

**My eyes will watch over them for their good, and I will bring them back to this land.**

**Amos 9:8**

**Surely the eyes of the Sovereign Lord are on the sinful kingdom.**

**Habakkuk 1:13**

**Your eyes are too pure to look on evil; you cannot tolerate wrongdoing.**

**Hebrews 4:13**

**Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.**

**1 Peter 3:12**

**For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.**

## FACE OF GOD

### **Numbers 6:24-26**

**The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord turn his face toward you and give you peace.**

### **1 Chronicles 16:11**

**Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.**

### **2 Chronicles 7:14**

**If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.**

### **Psalm 4:6**

**Let the light of your face shine upon us, O Lord.**

### **Psalm 27:8**

**My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek.**

### **Psalm 31:16**

**Let your face shine on your servant; save me in your unfailing love.**

### **Psalm 105:4**

**Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always.**

### **Psalm 119:135**

**Make your face shine upon your servant and teach me your decrees.**

### **1 Peter 3:12**

**For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.**

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## FAITH

### **2 Chronicles 20:20**

**As they set out, Jehoshaphat stood and said, "Listen to me, Judah and people of Jerusalem! Have faith in the Lord your God and you will be upheld; have faith in his prophets and you will be successful."**

### **Habakkuk 2:4**

**The righteous will live by his faith.**

### **Matthew 9:29**

**Then he touched their eyes and said, "According to your faith will it be done to you"; and their sight was restored.**

### **Matthew 17:20**

**He replied, "Because you have so little faith. I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."**

### **Mark 11:22-24**

**"Have faith in God," Jesus answered. "I tell you the truth, if anyone says to this mountain, 'Go, throw yourself into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart but believes that what he says will happen, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."**

### **Luke 17:5-6**

**The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith!" He replied, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you."**

### **Acts 15:8-9**

**God, who knows the heart, showed that he accepted them by giving the Holy Spirit to them, just as he did to us. He made no distinction between us and them, for he purified their hearts by faith.**

### **Acts 20:21**

**I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus.**

### **Acts 26:15, 18**

**I am Jesus...I am sending you to them to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.**

**Romans 1:17**

**For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."**

**Romans 3:21-22**

**But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.**

**Romans 3:28**

**We maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.**

**Romans 4:5**

**To a man who does not work but trusts God who justifies the wicked, his faith is credited as righteousness.**

**Romans 5:1**

**Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.**

**Romans 10:17**

**Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.**

**1 Corinthians 2:4-5**

**My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, so that your faith might not rest on men's wisdom, but on God's power.**

**1 Corinthians 12:7-9**

**Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit...**

**1 Corinthians 13:13**

**And now these three remain (NLT – three things will last forever): faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.**

**1 Corinthians 16:13**

**Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong. Do everything in love.**

**2 Corinthians 5:7**

**We live by faith and not by sight.**

**Galatians 2:15-16**

**We who are Jews by birth and not 'Gentile sinners' know that a man is not justified by observing the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by observing the law, because by observing the law no one will be justified.**

**Galatians 2:20**

**I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.**

**Galatians 3:11**

**Clearly no one is justified before God by the law, because, "The righteous will live by faith."**

**Ephesians 2:8**

**For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.**

**Ephesians 4:4-5**

**There is one body and one Spirit - just as you were called to one hope when you were called - one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.**

**Ephesians 6:16**

**In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.**

**Colossians 1:23**

**... if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel.**

**1 Thessalonians 5:8**

**But since we belong to the day, let us be self-controlled, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet.**

**1 Timothy 6:12**

**Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.**

**Hebrews 6:12**

**We... want you to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.**

**Hebrews 11:1 NIV**

**Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.**

**Hebrews 11:1 NLT**

**Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see.**

**Hebrews 11:6**

**Without faith it is impossible to please God; because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.**

**Hebrews 12:2**

**Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.**

**James 2:17**

**Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead.**

**1 John 5:4-5**

**For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.**

Faith - The essence of faith consists in believing and receiving what God has revealed, and may be defined as that trust in the God of the Scriptures and in Jesus Christ whom He has sent, which receives Him as Lord and Savior and impels to loving obedience and good works. (From Scofield NIV Study Bible, page 1552)



## FALSE WITNESS

### **Exodus 20:16**

**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**

### **Proverbs 6:16-19**

**There are six things the Lord hates, seven that are detestable to him: haughty eyes, a lying tongue, hands that shed innocent blood, a heart that devises wicked schemes, feet that are quick to rush into evil, a false witness who pours out lies and a man who stirs up dissension among brothers.**

### **Proverbs 14:5**

**A truthful witness does not deceive, but a false witness pours out lies.**

### **Proverbs 19:5**

**A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who pours out lies will not go free.**

### **Proverbs 19:9 NIV**

**A false witness will not go unpunished, and he who pours out lies will perish.**

### **Proverbs 19:9 GNT**

**No one who tells lies in court can escape punishment; he is doomed.**

### **Proverbs 19:28**

**A corrupt witness mocks at justice, and the mouth of the wicked gulps down evil.**

### **Proverbs 24:28**

**Do not testify against your neighbor without cause, or use your lips to deceive.**

### **Proverbs 25:18**

**Like a club or a sword or a sharp arrow is the man who gives false testimony against his neighbor.**

### **Matthew 15:19-20**

**For out of the heart come evil thoughts, murder, adultery, sexual immorality, theft, false testimony, slander. These are what make a man "unclean"; but eating with unwashed hands does not make him "unclean."**

### **Matthew 19:18-19**

**Jesus replied, "Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, honor your father and mother, and love your neighbor as yourself."**

## FAMILY BEING SAVED

**Joel 2:28**

**I will pour out my Spirit on all people.**

**Acts 16:31**

**Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved--you and your household.**

**Joshua 14:15**

**But as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.**

**Proverbs 14:26**

**He who fears the Lord has a secure fortress, and for his children it will be a refuge.**

**Isaiah 54:13**

**All your sons will be taught by Lord, and great will be your children's peace.**

**Acts 2:38-39**

**Repent and be baptized...and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children...for all whom the Lord our God will call.**

**1 Corinthians 7:14-15**

**For the unbelieving husband has been sanctified through his wife, and the unbelieving wife has been sanctified through her believing husband. Otherwise your children would be unclean, but as it is, they are holy. But if the unbeliever leaves, let him do so. A believing man or woman is not bound in such circumstances; God has called us to live in peace.**

**Isaiah 44:3**

**I will pour out my Spirit on your offspring, and my blessing on your descendants.**

**2 Peter 3:9**

**The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.**

**John 8:34-36**

**I tell you the truth, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.**

## FAST

**David pleaded with God for the child. He fasted and went into his house and spent the nights lying on the ground. The elders of his household stood beside him to get him up from the ground, but he refused, and he would not eat any food with them. - 2 Samuel 12:16**

**Alarmed, Jehoshaphat resolved to inquire of the Lord, and he proclaimed a fast for all Judah. The people of Judah came together to seek help from the Lord. - 2 Chronicles 20:3-4**

**When Mordecai learned of all that had been done, he tore his clothes, put on sackcloth and ashes, and went out into the city, wailing loudly and bitterly. But he went only as far as the king's gate, because no one clothed in sackcloth was allowed to enter it. In every province to which the edict and order of the king came, there was great mourning among the Jews, with fasting, weeping and wailing. Many lay in sackcloth and ashes. - Esther 4:3**

**Then Esther sent this reply to Mordecai: "Go, gather together all the Jews who are in Susa, and fast for me. Do not eat or drink for three days, night or day. I and my maids will fast as you do. When this is done, I will go to the king, even though it is against the law. And if I perish, I perish." - Esther 4:15-16**

**On your day of fasting, you do as you please and exploit all your workers. Your fasting ends in quarreling and strife, and in striking each other with wicked fists. You cannot fast as you do today and expect your voice to be heard on high. Is this the kind of fast I have chosen, only a day for a man to humble himself? Is it only for bowing one's head like a reed and for lying on sackcloth and ashes? Is that what you call a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? - Isaiah 58:3-5**

**Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter - when you see the naked, to clothe him, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? - Isaiah 58:6-7**

**Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard. Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I. - Isaiah 58:8-9**

**So I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with him in prayer and petition, in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes. - Daniel 9:3**

**Declare a holy fast; call a sacred assembly. Summon the elders and all who live in the land to the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord. - Joel 1:14**

**Ask all the people of the land and the priests, "When you fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh months for the past seventy years, was it really for me that you fasted? - Zechariah 7:5**

**Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. - Matthew 4:2**

**When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show men they are fasting. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to men that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. - Matthew 6:16-18**

**They said to him [Jesus], "John's disciples often fast and pray, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours go on eating and drinking." Jesus answered, "Can you make guests of the bridegroom fast while he is with them? But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; in those days they will fast." - Luke 5:33-35**

**Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust. - Acts 14:23**

## FEAR AND GOD'S PROTECTION

**Genesis 26:24**

**Do not be afraid, for I am with you.**

**Exodus 14:11-14**

**Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the Lord will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again. The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still.**

**Exodus 20:20**

**Do not be afraid. God has come to test you, so that the fear of God will be with you to keep you from sinning.**

**Deuteronomy 3:22**

**Do not be afraid of them; the Lord your God himself will fight for you.**

**Deuteronomy 3:24**

**O Sovereign Lord, you have begun to show to your servant your greatness and your strong hand. For what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do the deeds and mighty works you do?**

**Deuteronomy 4:24**

**Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.**

**Joshua 1:9**

**Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.**

**2 Chronicles 16:9**

**For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.**

**2 Chronicles 20:15, 17**

**This is what the Lord says to you: "Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's...You will not have to fight this battle. Take up your positions; stand firm and see the deliverance the Lord will give you...do not be afraid; do not be discouraged. Go out to face them tomorrow, and the Lord will be with you."**

**Psalm 3:4-5**

**To the Lord I cry aloud, and he answers me from his holy hill. I lie down and sleep; I wake again, because the Lord sustains me.**

**Psalm 23:4-5**

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

**Psalm 27:1, 3**

The Lord is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid? ... Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; though war break out against me, even then will I be confident.

**Psalm 34:4**

I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

**Psalm 46:1**

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

**Psalm 56:3**

When I am afraid, I will trust in you.

**Psalm 91:4-6**

He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart. You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

**Proverbs 1:33**

But whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm.

**Proverbs 3:5-6**

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight (or he will direct your paths).

**Proverbs 3:24**

When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.

**Proverbs 3:25-26**

Have no fear of sudden disaster or of the ruin that overtakes the wicked, for the Lord will be your confidence and will keep your foot from being snared.

**Proverbs 29:25**

Fear of man will prove to be a snare, but whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe.

**Isaiah 41:10**

**So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.**

**Isaiah 41:13**

**For I am the Lord, your God, who takes hold of your right hand and says to you, Do not fear; I will help you.**

**Isaiah 43:1-2**

**But now, this is what the Lord says—he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. 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.**

**Isaiah 51:12**

**I, even I, am he who comforts you. Who are you that you fear mortal men, the sons of men, who are but grass.**

**Isaiah 54:4**

**Do not be afraid; you will not suffer shame. Do not fear disgrace; you will not be humiliated.**

**Isaiah 54:14**

**In righteousness you will be established; tyranny will be far from you; you will have nothing to fear. Terror will be far removed; it will not come near you.**

**Jeremiah 1:8**

**Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you.**

**Matthew 10:28**

**Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul.**

**Matthew 28:20**

**And lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the age.**

**Mark 5:36**

**Don't be afraid; just believe.**

**Luke 10:19**

**I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.**

**Luke 12:32**

**Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has been pleased to give you the kingdom.**

**John 14:27**

**Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.**

**Romans 8:15**

**For you did not receive a spirit that makes you a slave again to fear, but you received the Spirit of sonship. And by him we cry, “Abba, Father.”**

**Romans 8:37-39**

**No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

**1 Corinthians 16:13**

**Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong.**

**2 Thessalonians 3:3**

**But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen and protect you from the evil one.**

**2 Timothy 1:7**

**For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.**

**Hebrews 7:25**

**Therefore he is able to save completely those who come to God through him, because he always lives to intercede for them.**

**Hebrews 12:1-2**

**Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.**

**Hebrews 13:5-6**

**God has said, “Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.” So we say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?”**

**1 Peter 3:12-13**

**For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil. Who is going to harm**



**you if you are eager to do good? But even if you should suffer for what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear; do not be frightened.**

## FEAR OF THE LORD

### **Exodus 1:21**

**And so it was, because the midwives feared God, that He provided households for them.**

### **Exodus 18:21**

**Moreover you shall select from all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness; and place such over them to be rulers of thousands, rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties, and rulers of tens.**

### **Exodus 20:20**

**And Moses said to the people, "Do not fear; for God has come to test you, and that His fear may be before you, so that you may not sin."**

### **Deuteronomy 5:29**

**Oh, that they had such a heart in them that they would fear Me and always keep all My commandments, that it might be well with them and with their children forever!**

### **2 Samuel 23:3**

**The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spoke to me: "He who rules over men must be just, ruling in the fear of God."**

### **1 Chronicles 16:24-25**

**Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples. For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.**

### **Job 28:28**

**The fear of the Lord - that is wisdom, and to shun evil is understanding.**

### **Psalms 2:11**

**Serve the Lord with fear and rejoice with trembling.**

### **Psalms 19:9**

**The fear of the Lord is clean, enduring forever.**

### **Psalms 25:12**

**Who is the man that fears the Lord? Him shall He teach in the way He chooses.**

### **Psalms 25:14**

**The secret of the Lord is with those who fear Him, and He will show them His covenant.**

**Psalm 25:14 NLT**

**Friendship with the Lord is reserved for those who fear Him. With them He shares the secrets of His covenant.**

**Psalm 31:19**

**Oh, how great is Your goodness, which You have laid up for those who fear You, which You have prepared for those who trust in You in the presence of the sons of men!**

**Psalm 33:18**

**Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His mercy.**

**Psalm 34:7**

**The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear Him, and delivers them.**

**Psalm 34:9**

**Oh, fear the Lord, you His saints! There is no want to those who fear Him.**

**Psalm 34:11**

**Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord.**

**Psalm 60:4**

**But for those who fear you, you have raised a banner to be unfurled against the bow.**

**Psalm 61:5**

**For you have heard my vows, O God; you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.**

**Psalm 76:7**

**You alone are to be feared. Who can stand before you when you are angry?**

**Psalm 85:9**

**Surely his salvation is near those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.**

**Psalm 103:11-14**

**For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him; for he knows how we are formed, he remembers that we are dust.**

**Psalm 103:17-18**

**But from everlasting to everlasting the Lord's love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children - with those who keep his covenant and remember to obey his precepts.**

**Psalm 111:5**

**He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever.**

**Psalm 111:10**

**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; a good understanding have all those who do His commandments.**

**Psalm 112:1**

**Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands.**

**Psalm 115:11**

**You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord; He is their help and their shield.**

**Psalm 128:1-4 NLT**

**How happy are those who fear the Lord--all who follow His ways! You will enjoy the fruit of your labor. How happy you will be! How rich your life! Your wife will be like a fruitful vine, flourishing within your home. And look at all those children! There they sit around your table as vigorous and healthy as young olive trees. That is the Lord's reward for those who fear Him.**

**Psalm 130:4**

**But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.**

**Psalm 134:19**

**He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them.**

**Psalm 145:19**

**He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.**

**Psalm 147:11**

**The Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love.**

**Proverbs 1:7**

**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.**

**Proverbs 2:1-5**

**My son, if you receive my words, and treasure my commands within you, So that you incline your ear to wisdom, and apply your heart to understanding; Yes, if you cry out for discernment, and lift up your voice for understanding, If you seek her as**

**silver, and search for her as for hidden treasures; Then you will understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God.**

**To fear the Lord is to hate evil; I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech. (Proverbs 8:13)**

**The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. (Proverbs 9:10)**

**The fear of the Lord adds length to life. (Proverbs 10:27)**

**A wise man fears the Lord and shuns evil. (Proverbs 14:16)**

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**In the fear of the Lord there is strong confidence, and His children will have a place of refuge.**

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**The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, to turn one away from the snares of death.**

**Proverbs 15:16**

**Better is a little with the fear of the Lord, than great treasure with trouble.**

**The fear of the Lord teaches a man wisdom, and humility comes before honor. (Proverbs 15:33)**

**Through the fear of the Lord a man avoids evil. (Proverbs 16:6)**

**Proverbs 19:23**

**The fear of the Lord leads to life, and he who has it will abide in satisfaction; he will not be visited with evil.**

**Proverbs 22:4**

**By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches and honor and life.**

**Proverbs 23:17**

**Be zealous for the fear of the Lord all the day.**

**Ecclesiastes 8:11-13 NLT**

**When a crime is not punished, people feel it is safe to do wrong. But even though a person sins a hundred times and still lives a long time, I know that those who fear God will be better off.**

**Ecclesiastes 12:13**

**Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man's all.**

**Isaiah 33:5-6 NIV**

**The Lord is exalted, for he dwells on high; he will fill Zion with justice and righteousness. He will be the sure foundation for your times, a rich store of salvation and wisdom and knowledge; the fear of the Lord is the key to this treasure.**

**"Should you not fear me?" declares the Lord. "Should you not tremble in my presence?" (Jeremiah 5:22)**

**Who should not revere you, O King of the nations? This is your due. Among all the wise men of the nations and in all their kingdoms, there is no one like you. (Jeremiah 10:7)**

**Jeremiah 32:40**

**And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from doing them good; but I will put My fear in their hearts so that they will not depart from Me.**

**Then those who feared the Lord talked with each other, and the Lord listened and heard. A scroll of remembrance was written in his presence concerning those who feared the Lord and honored his name. (Malachi 3:16)**

**But for you who revere his name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings. And you will go out and leap like calves released from the stall. (Malachi 4:2)**

**His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. (Luke 1:50)**

**But I will show you whom you should fear: Fear him who, after the killing of the body, has power to throw you into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him. (Luke 12:5)**

**2 Corinthians 7:1**

**Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.**

**Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire. (Hebrews 12:28)**

**The nations were angry; and your wrath has come. The time has come for judging the dead, and for rewarding your servants the prophets and your saints and those who reverence your name, both small and great - and for destroying those who destroy the earth. (Revelation 11:18)**

**Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water. (Revelation 14:7)**

**Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed. (Revelation 15:4)**

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## FELLOWSHIP

### **Acts 2:42**

**They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.**

### **1 Corinthians 1:9**

**God is faithful, who has called you into fellowship with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.**

### **2 Corinthians 6:14**

**For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?**

### **2 Corinthians 13:14**

**May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.**

### **Galatians 2:9**

**James, Cephas and John, those esteemed as pillars, gave me and Barnabas the right hand of fellowship when they recognized the grace given to me.**

### **1 John 1:3**

**We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.**

### **1 John 1:6**

**If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth.**

### **1 John 1:7**

**But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.**

## FIGHTING NEGATIVE THOUGHTS

**Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.**

**For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.**

**Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.**

**And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints. (Ephesians 6:10-18)**



**Psalm 19:14**

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my strength and my Redeemer.**

**Psalm 37:7, 9**

**Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him...Those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth.**

**Psalm 141:3**

**Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips.**

**Isaiah 40:31**

**Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.**

**Habakkuk 2:4**

**The righteous will live by his faith.**

**Acts 16: 31**

**They replied, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved—you and your household."**

**Acts 27:25**

**So take courage! For I believe God. It will be just as he said.**

**Romans 1:17**

**For in the gospel a righteousness from God is revealed, a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."**

**Romans 8:25**

**Hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what he already has? But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.**

**Romans 10:9**

**If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.**

**Romans 10:17**

**Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.**

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**But if you have doubts about whether or not you should eat something, you are sinning if you go ahead and do it. For you are not following your convictions. If you do anything you believe is not right, you are sinning.**

**2 Corinthians 5:7**

**We live by faith and not by sight.**

**Galatians 2:20**

**I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.**

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**In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one.**

**Hebrews 3:12**

**See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God.**

**Hebrews 11:1 NIV**

**Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.**

**Hebrews 11:1 NLT**

**Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see.**

**Hebrews 11:6**

**Without faith it is impossible to please God; because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.**

**Hebrews 12:2**

**Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.**

**James 1:2-4**

**Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.**

**James 1:5-8**

**If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him. But when he asks, he must believe and not doubt, because he who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That man should not think he will receive anything from the Lord; he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does.**

**James 1:26**

**If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless.**

**1 John 5:4-5**

**For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.**

**1 John 5:10b**

**Anyone who does not believe God has made him out to be a liar, because he has not believed the testimony God has given about his Son.**

**Revelation 2:26-28**

**To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations - just as I have received authority from my Father. I will also give him the morning star.**

**Revelation 3:21**

**To him who overcomes, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I overcame and sat down with my Father on his throne.**

## FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT AND NOT FILLED

**When they arrived, they prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, because the Holy Spirit had not yet come upon any of them; they had simply been baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus. Then Peter and John placed their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:15-17 NIV)**

**As soon as they arrived, they prayed for these new believers to receive the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit had not yet come upon any of them, for they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then Peter and John laid their hands upon these believers, and they received the Holy Spirit. (Acts 8:15-17 NLT)**

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**Paul said, "John's baptism was a baptism of repentance. He told the people to believe in the one coming after him, that is, in Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus. When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues and prophesied. (Acts 19:3-6)**



**At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were wise. The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. The wise, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps.**

**The bride-groom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.**

**At midnight the cry rang out: "Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!"**

**Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish ones said to the wise, "Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out."**

**"No," they replied, "there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves."**

**But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut.**

**Later the others also came, "Sir! Sir!" they said. "Open the door for us!"**

**But he replied, "I tell you the truth, I don't know you."**

**Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour. (Matthew 25:1-13)**



**On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised." (Acts 1:4-5)**

**All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. (Acts 2:4)**

**Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off - for all whom the Lord our God will call." (Acts 2:38-39)**

**Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord - Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here - has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit. (Acts 9:17)**

**Then I remembered what the Lord had said: "John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." (Acts 11:16)**



## FINANCES AND PROSPERITY

### **Exodus 15:23-25**

**When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. So the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "What are we to drink?" Then Moses cried out to the Lord, and the Lord showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water, and the water became fit to drink.**

### **Deuteronomy 8:3**

**He humbled you, causing you to hunger and then feeding you with manna, which neither you nor your ancestors had known, to teach you that man does not live on bread alone but on every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord.**

### **Deuteronomy 8:4**

**Your clothes did not wear out and your feet did not swell during these forty years.**

### **Deuteronomy 8:10**

**And you shall eat and be full, and you shall bless the Lord your God for the good land he has given you.**

### **Deuteronomy 14:22-23**

**Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year. Eat the tithe of your grain, new wine and olive oil, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks in the presence of the Lord your God at the place he will choose as a dwelling for his Name, so that you may learn to revere the Lord your God always.**

### **Deuteronomy 15:1-3**

**At the end of every seven years you must cancel debts...he shall not require payment from his...brother, because the Lord's time for canceling debts has been proclaimed...you must cancel any debt your brother owes you.**

### **Deuteronomy 28:1-14**

**If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God:**

- **You will be blessed in the city and blessed in the country.**
- **The fruit of your womb will be blessed.**
- **The crops of your land and the young of your livestock.**
- **Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed.**
- **You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out.**
- **The enemies who rise up against you will be defeated before you.**

- The Lord will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to.
- The Lord will bless you in the land he is giving you.
- The Lord will establish you as his holy people.
- The Lord will grant you abundant prosperity.
- The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty, to send rain on your land in season and to bless all the work of your hands.
- You will lend to many nations but will borrow from none.
- The Lord will make you the head, not the tail.
- You will always be at the top, never at the bottom.

**1 Kings 17:6**

The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook.

**1 Kings 17:15-16**

She went away and did as Elijah had told her. So there was food every day for Elijah and for the woman and her family. For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah.

**2 Kings 4:3-7**

Elisha said, "Go around and ask all your neighbors for empty jars. Don't ask for just a few. Then go inside and shut the door behind you and your sons. Pour oil into all the jars, and as each is filled, put it to one side."

She left him and shut the door behind her and her sons. They brought the jars to her and she kept pouring. When all the jars were full, she said to her son, "Bring me another one."

But he replied, "There is not a jar left." Then the oil stopped flowing.

She went and told the man of God, and he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debts. You and your sons can live on what is left."

**1 Chronicles 29:12**

Wealth and honor come from You; You are the ruler of all things.

**1 Chronicles 29:14**

Everything comes from You, and we have given You only what comes from Your hand.

**1 Chronicles 29:16**

It (abundance) comes from Your hand; and all of it belongs to You.

**Proverbs 3:9-10**

Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.

**Ecclesiastes 5:10**

**Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income.**

**Isaiah 5:2**

**Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.**

**Isaiah 61:6**

**And you will be called priests of the Lord, you will be named ministers of our God. You will feed on the wealth of nations, and in their riches you will boast.**

**Haggai 2:8**

**“The silver is mine and the gold is mine” declares the Lord Almighty.**

**Malachi 3:8-12**

**“Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How do we rob you?’” “In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse--the whole nation of you--because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it. I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit,” says the Lord Almighty. “Then all the nations will call you blessed, for yours will be a delightful land,” say the Lord Almighty.**

**Matthew 6:1-4**

**Be careful not to do your acts of righteousness before men, to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven.**

**So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you.**

**Matthew 6:9-11**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.**

**Matthew 6:19-21**

**Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.**

**Matthew 6:24**

**No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money (mammon).**

**Matthew 6:25-27**

**Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more important than food, and the body more important than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or eat or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?**

**Matthew 6:28-33**

**And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.**

**Romans 13:8**

**Let no debt remain outstanding.**

**1 Corinthians 2:16**

**But we have the mind of Christ**

**2 Corinthians 8:7**

**See that you also excel in this grace of giving.**

**2 Corinthians 9:6-8**

**Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.**

**2 Corinthians 9:10-11**

**Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.**

**Philippians 4:19**

**And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.**

**James 1:5**

**If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.**

**1 John 5:14-15**

**This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us--whatever we ask--we know that we have what we asked of him.**

**Ephesians 3:20**

**Now unto him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.**

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## FIRE

### **Exodus 13:21-22**

**By day the Lord went ahead of them in a pillar of cloud to guide them on their way and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light so that they could travel by day or night. Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place in front of the people**

### **Exodus 24:15-17**

**When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the Lord called to Moses from within the cloud. To the Israelites the glory of the Lord looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain.**

### **Psalm 78:14**

**He guided them with the cloud by day and with light from the fire all night.**

### **Isaiah 4:4**

**In that day -- The Lord will.....cleanse the bloodstains from Jerusalem by a spirit of judgment and a spirit of fire.**

### **Isaiah 30:27**

**See, the Name of the Lord comes from afar, with burning anger and dense clouds of smoke; his lips are full of wrath, and his tongue is a consuming fire.**

### **Isaiah 33:14-17**

**Who of us can dwell with the consuming fire? Who of us can dwell with everlasting burning? He who walks righteously and speaks what is right, who rejects gain from extortion and keeps his hand from accepting bribes, who stops his ears against plots of murder and shuts his eyes against contemplating evil - this is the man who will dwell on the heights, whose refuge will be the mountain fortress. His bread will be supplied, and water will not fail him. Your eyes will see the king in his beauty and view a land that stretches afar.**

### **Jeremiah 23:29**

**“Is not my word like fire,” declares the Lord?”**

### **Ezekiel 1:4-5**

**I looked, and I saw a windstorm coming out of the north--an immense cloud with flashing lighting and surrounded by brilliant light. The center of the fire looked like glowing metal, and in the fire was what looked like four living creatures.**

### **Ezekiel 1:27**

...and high above on the throne was a figure like that of a man. I saw that from what appeared to be his waist up he looked like glowing metal, as if full of fire, and that from there down he looked like fire; and brilliant light surrounded him.

**Ezekiel 10:2, 6-7**

The Lord said to the man clothed in linen, "Go in among the wheels beneath the cherubim. Fill your hands with burning coals from among the cherubim and scatter them over the city." As I watched he went in.

When the Lord commanded the man in linen, "Take fire from among the wheels, from among the cherubim," the man went in and stood beside a wheel. Then one of the cherubim reached out his hand to the fire that was among them. He took up some of it and put it into the hands of the man in linen, who took it and went out.

**Daniel 7:9-10**

As I looked, thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze. A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.

**Joel 3:14**

Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the Lord is near in the valley of decision.

**Malachi 3:2**

"But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap."

**Malachi 3:11**

His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear this threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

**Malachi 4:1**

"Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and that day that is coming will set them on fire," says the Lord Almighty.

**Matthew 3:11**

His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear this threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

**Matthew 5:22**

Anyone who says 'you fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

**Matthew 13:30, 40-42**

Let both [wheat and weeds] grow together until the harvest. At that time I will tell the harvesters: First collect the weeds and tie them in bundles to be burned; then gather the wheat and bring it into my barn.

As the weeds are pulled up and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send out his angels, and they will weed out of his kingdom everything that causes sin and all who do evil. They will throw them into the fiery furnace, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

**Matthew 25:41**

Then he will say to those on his left, "Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels."

**Mark 9:43, 47**

If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go into hell, where the fire never goes out.....where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.

**Luke 12:49**

I have come to bring fire on the earth.

**Acts 2:3**

They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them.

**1 Corinthians 3:12-15**

If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire and the fire will test the quality of each man's work. If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames.

**1 Thessalonians 5:19**

Do not put out the Spirit's fire.

**Hebrews 1:7**

He makes....his servants flames of fire.

**Hebrews 12:29**

For our God is a consuming fire.

**2 Peter 3:10**

But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything in it will be laid bare.

**Jude 23**



**Snatch others from the fire and save them.**

**Revelation 4:5**

**From the throne came flashes of lightning, rumblings and peals of thunder. Before the throne, seven lamps were blazing. These are the seven spirits of God.**

**Revelation 11:3-5**

**And I will give power to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for 1,260 days, clothed in sackcloth...If anyone tries to harm them, fire comes from their mouths and devours their enemies. This is how anyone who wants to harm them must die.**

**Revelation 20:14**

**Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. The lake of fire is the second death. If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.**

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## FIRST LAST AND LAST FIRST

### **Matthew 19:29, 30**

**And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or fields for my sake will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and many who are last will be first.**

### **Matthew 20:8, 14, 16**

**Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first...I want to give the man who was hired last the same as I gave you...So the last will be first, and the first will be last.**

**"I tell you the truth," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age...and in the age to come, eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first." - Mark 10:29-31**

### **Luke 13:29-30**

**People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the feast in the kingdom of God. Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last.**

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## FOREHEADS

### **Ezekiel 9:4**

**Then the Lord called to the man clothed in linen who had the writing kit at his side, and said to him, "Go throughout the city of Jerusalem and put a mark on the foreheads of those who grieve and lament over all the detestable things that are done in it."**

### **Revelation 3:12**

**Him who overcomes... I will write on him the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God, and I will also write on him my new name.**

### **Revelation 22:3-4**

**No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads.**

### **Revelation 7:3**

**Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.**

### **Revelation 9:4**

**They were told not to harm the grass of the earth or any plant or tree, but only those people who did not have the seal of God on their foreheads.**

### **Revelation 13:16-17**

**He also forced everyone, small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on his right hand or on his forehead, so that no one could buy or sell unless he had the mark, which is the name of the beast or the number of his name.**

### **Revelation 20:4**

**I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands.**

## FOREKNOWLEDGE

### **Acts 2:23**

**This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge.**

### **Romans 8:29-30**

**For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified, those he justified, he also glorified.**

### **Romans 11:2**

**God did not reject his people, whom he foreknew.**

### **Ephesians 1:11**

**In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will.**

### **1 Peter 1:20**

**He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.**

### **Revelation 3:14**

**All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast - all whose names have not been written in the book of life belonging to the Lamb that was slain from the creation of the world.**

## FORGIVING OTHERS

### **Matthew 5:23**

**Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.**

### **Matthew 6:12**

**Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

### **Matthew 6:14-15**

**For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.**

### **Matthew 18:21**

**Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, "Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother when he sins against me? Up to seven times?"**

**Jesus answered, "I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times [or seventy times seven]."**

### **Matthew 18:34-35**

**In anger his master turned him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed. This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart.**

### **Mark 11:25**

**And when you stand praying, if you hold anything against anyone, forgive him, so that your Father in heaven may forgive you your sins.**

### **Luke 11:4**

**Forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who sins against us**

### **Luke 17:4**

**If your brother sins, rebuke him, and if he repents, forgive him. If he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times comes back to you and says, "I repent," forgive him.**

### **Luke 23:34**

**Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."**

### **2 Corinthians 2:7**

**You ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow.**

**Ephesians 4:32**

**Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.**

**Colossians 3:13**

**Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.**

## FOUR WINDS, FOUR QUARTERS, FOUR CORNERS

### **Isaiah 11:12**

**He will raise a banner for the nations, and gather the exiles of Israel; he will assemble the scattered people of Judah from the four quarters of the earth.**

### **Jeremiah 49:36**

**I will bring against Elam the four winds from the four quarters of the heavens; I will scatter them to the four winds, and there will not be a nation where Elam's exiles do not go.**

### **Ezekiel 7:2**

**"The end! The end has come upon the four corners of the land!"**

### **Ezekiel 37:9**

**Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to it, "This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live." (The Hebrew word for breath can also mean wind or spirit)**

### **Daniel 7:2**

**Daniel said: "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me were the four winds of heaven churning up the great sea.**

### **Daniel 8:8**

**The goat became very great, but at the height of its power the large horn was broken off, and in its place four prominent horns grew up toward the four winds of heaven.**

### **Daniel 11:4**

**After he has arisen, his empire will be broken up and parceled out toward the four winds of heaven. It will not go to his descendants, nor will it have the power he exercised, because his empire will be uprooted and given to others.**

### **Zechariah 2:6**

**"Come! Come! Flee from the land of the north," declares the Lord, "for I have scattered you to the four winds of heaven," declares the Lord.**

### **Zechariah 6:1-7**

**I looked up again, and there before me were four chariots coming out from between two mountains - mountains of bronze. The first chariot had red horses, the second black, the third white, and the fourth dappled - all of them powerful. I asked the angel who was speaking to me, "What are these, my lord?"**

The angels answered me, "These are the four spirits of heaven, going out from standing in the presence of the Lord of the whole world. The one with the black horses is going toward the north country, the one with the white horses toward the west, and the one with the dappled horses toward the south."

When the powerful horses went out, they were straining to go throughout the earth. And he said, "Go throughout the earth!" So they went throughout the earth.

**Matthew 24:31**

Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other.

**Mark 13:26-27**

At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And he will send his angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of the heavens.

**Revelation 7:1-3**

After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth to prevent any wind from blowing on the land or on the sea or on any tree. Then I saw another angel coming up from the east, having the seal of the living God. He called out in a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm the land and the sea: "Do not harm the land or the seas or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God."

**Revelation 9:13-16**

The sixth angel sounded his trumpet, and I heard a voice coming from the four horns of the golden altar that is before God. It said to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, "Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates." And the four angels who had been kept ready for this very hour and day and month and year were released to kill a third of mankind.

**Revelation 20:8**

When the thousand years are over, Satan will be released from his prison and will go out to deceive the nations in the four corners of the earth - Gog and Magog - and to gather them for battle.



## FRIENDSHIP WITH GOD

**The Lord would speak to Moses face to face, as a man speaks with his friend. - Exodus 33:11**

**With him [Moses] I speak face to face, clearly and not in riddles; he sees the form of the Lord. - Numbers 12:8**

**By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so that he did not experience death; he could not be found, because God had taken him away. For before he was taken, he was commended as one who pleased God. - Hebrews 11:5**

**You descendants of Abraham my friend. - Isaiah 41:8**

**Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness, and he was called God's friend. - James 2:23**

**My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command. - John 15:12-13**

**A friend loves at all times. - Proverbs 17:17**

**The bride belongs to the bridegroom. The friend who attends the bridegroom waits and listens for him, and is full of joy when he hears the bridegroom's voice. That joy is mine, and it is now complete. - John 3:29**

**Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him. - John 14:21**

**Jesus replied, "If anyone loves me, he will obey my teaching. My Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. He who does not love me will not obey my teaching." - John 14:23-24**

**I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you. - John 15:15**

**"Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" - John 20:17**

## FRUIT OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

**Isaiah 32:17**

**The fruit of that righteousness will be peace; its effect will be quietness and confidence forever.**

**Galatians 5:22**

**But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

**Philippians 1:9-11**

**And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God.**

**Hebrews 12:11**

**For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant; later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.**

**Proverbs 11:30**

**The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life**

**Proverbs 10:11**

**The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life.**

## FULLNESS

### **John 1:16**

**From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another.**

### **Romans 15:29**

**I know that when I come to you, I will come in the full measure of the blessing of Christ.**

### **Ephesians 1:22-23**

**And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.**

### **Ephesians 3:19**

**I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge - that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.**

### **Ephesians 4:11-13**

**It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.**

### **Colossians 1:19-20**

**For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.**

### **Mark 4:27**

**He also said, "This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. All by itself the soil produces grain - first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head."**

### **Colossians 2:2, 9**

**My purpose is that they may be encouraged in heart and united in love, so that they may have the full riches of complete understanding, in order that they may know the mystery of God, namely, Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom**

**and knowledge... for in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and you have been given fullness in Christ.**

**Hebrews 6:1-2**

**Therefore let us leave the elementary teachings about Christ and go on to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God, instruction about baptisms, the laying on of hands, the resurrection of the dead, and eternal judgment.**

**James 1:4**

**Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.**

**2 Chronicles 16:9**

**The eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.**

## GENTILES

### **Isaiah 42:6**

**I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles.**

### **Acts 15:14-18**

**Simon has described to us how God at first showed his concern by taking from the Gentiles a people for himself. The words of the prophets are in agreement with this, as it is written: "After this I will return and rebuild David's fallen tent. Its ruins I will rebuild, and I will restore it, that the remnant of men may seek the Lord, and all the Gentiles who bear my name, says the Lord, who does these things" that have been known for ages.**

### **Romans 9:23-24**

**What if he did this to make the riches of his glory known to the objects of his mercy, whom he prepared in advance for glory - even us, whom he also called, not only from the Jews but also from the Gentiles?**

### **Romans 11:13**

**I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the apostle to the Gentiles, I make much of my ministry.**

### **Romans 11:25**

**I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery, brothers, so that you may not be conceited: Israel has experienced a hardening in part until the full number of the Gentiles has come in.**

### **1 Corinthians 12:12-13**

**The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body - whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free - and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.**

### **Ephesians 2:11-13**

**Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth...that at that time you were separate from Christ...but now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ.**

### **Colossians 1:26-27**

**The mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the saints. To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.**

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## GIVING

### **Proverbs 21:26**

**The righteous give without sparing.**

### **Proverbs 23:26**

**My son, give me your heart.**

### **Micah 6:8**

**He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.**

### **Malachi 3:8-10**

**"Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me... In tithes and offerings... Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it."**

### **Matthew 5:42**

**Give to the one who asks you, and do not turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.**

### **Matthew 6:32-33**

**Your heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given unto you as well.**

### **Matthew 10:8**

**Freely you have received, freely give.**

### **Luke 6:38**

**Give, and it shall be given unto you.**

### **John 3:27**

**A man can receive only what is given him from heaven.**

### **Acts 2:45**

**Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need.**

### **Acts 20:35**

**It is more blessed to give than to receive.**

### **Romans 12:6, 8**

**If a man's gift is... contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously.**

**Romans 12:13**

**Share with God's people who are in need.**

**2 Corinthians 9:6-7**

**Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.**

**Ephesians 4:28**

**...but must work, doing something useful with his own hands, that he may have something to share with those in need.**

**1 Timothy 5:3,5**

**Give proper recognition to those widows who are really in need...The widow who is really in need and left all alone puts her hope in God and continues night and day to pray and ask God for help.**

**James 1:27**

**Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.**

**1 John 3:17**

**If anyone has material possessions and sees his brother in need but has no pity on him, how can the love of God be in him?**



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## GLORY

### **Exodus 24:15-17**

**When Moses went up on the mountain, the cloud covered it, and the glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai. For six days the cloud covered the mountain, and on the seventh day the Lord called to Moses from within the cloud. To the Israelites the glory of the Lord looked like a consuming fire on top of the mountain.**

### **Psalm 8:1**

**Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens.**

### **Psalm 8:4-5**

**What is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them? You have made them a little lower than the angels and crowned them with glory and honor.**

### **Psalm 19:1**

**The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.**

### **Psalm 24:7**

**Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

### **Psalm 29:1-2**

**Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.**

### **Psalm 86:9**

**All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord; they will bring glory to your name.**

### **Psalm 96:3**

**Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.**

### **Psalm 96:7-8**

**Ascribe to the Lord, O families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.**

### **Proverbs 25:2**

**It is the glory of God to conceal a matter; to search out a matter is the glory of kings.**

**Isaiah. 6:3**

**And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."**

**Isaiah 43:6-7**

**Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth - everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.**

**Habakkuk 3:3-4**

**God came from Teman, the Holy One from Mount Paran. His glory covered the heavens and his praise filled the earth. His splendor was like the sunrise; rays flashed from his hand, where his power was hidden.**

**Matthew 5:14-16 NIV**

**You are the light of the world. A city on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise [give glory to] your Father in heaven.**

**Matthew 17:2**

**There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light.**

**Matthew 24:30**

**Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of the sky, with power and great glory.**

**Matthew 25:31-32**

**When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him.**

**Mark 8:38**

**If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels.**

**Mark 13:26**

**At that time people will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.**

**Luke 2:9**

**An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.**

**Luke 2:13-24**

**Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."**

**John 1:14**

**The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.**

**John 14:13**

**And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father.**

**John 16:14**

**He [Holy Spirit] will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you.**

**John 17:5**

**Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began.**

**John 17:24**

**Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, and to see my glory, the glory you have given me because you loved me before the creation of the world.**

**John 21:19**

**Jesus said this to indicate the kind of death by which Peter would glorify God.**

**Acts 7:2**

**To this he replied: "Brothers and fathers, listen to me! The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham while he was still in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran."**

**Romans 1:22-23**

**Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles.**

**Romans 3:23**

**There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**

**Romans 8:18**

**I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.**

**Romans 8:29-30**

For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

**Romans 15:5-7 RSV**

May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

**1 Corinthians 10:31**

So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

**1 Corinthians 15:42-44, 49**

So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised spiritual body.....And just as we have borne the likeness of the earthly man, so shall we bear the likeness of the man from heaven.

**2 Corinthians 3:10**

For what was glorious has no glory now in comparison with the surpassing glory.

**2 Corinthians 3:18**

And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

**2 Corinthians. 4:17**

For our present troubles are small and won't last very long. Yet they produce for us a glory that vastly outweighs them and will last forever!

**Philippians 1:9-11**

And this is my prayer: that your love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that you may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless until the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ - to the glory and praise of God.

**Philippians 4:19**

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.

**Colossians 1:26-27**

**The mystery that has been kept hidden for ages and generations, but is now disclosed to the saints. To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.**

**Colossians 3:4**

**When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.**

**2 Thessalonians 1:10**

**They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and marveled at among all those who have believed.**

**1 Timothy 3:16**

**Beyond all question, the mystery from which true godliness springs is great: He appeared in the flesh, was vindicated by the Spirit, was seen by angels, was preached among the nations, was believed on in the world, and was taken up in glory.**

**Hebrews 1:3**

**The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word.**

**1 Peter 4:10-11**

**Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.**

**Revelation 4:11**

**You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they were created and have their being.**

**Revelation 15:2-4**

**They held harps given them by God and sang the song of Moses the servant of God and the song of the Lamb: "Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the ages. Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."**

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