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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 live, 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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## OVERCOMING

### **Revelation 12:11 NIV**

**They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death.**

### **Revelation 12:11 NLT**

**And they have defeated him by the blood of the Lamb and by their testimony. And they did not love their lives so much that they were afraid to die.**

### **Revelation 12:11 RSV**

**And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.**

### **Revelation 12:11 KJV**

**And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.**

### **Revelation 12:11 TMB**

**They defeated him through the blood of the Lamb and the bold word of their witness. They weren't in love with themselves; they were willing to die for Christ.**

### **Revelation 12:11 AMP**

**And they have overcome (conquered) him by means of the blood of the Lamb and by the utterance of their testimony, for they did not love and cling to life even when faced with death [holding their lives cheap till they had to die for their witnessing].**

### **Revelation 12:11 TLB**

**They defeated him by the blood of the Lamb, and by their testimony; for they did not love their lives but laid them down for him.**

## EAT FROM THE TREE OF LIFE

**To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God. (Revelation 2:7)**

## TREE OF LIFE

**On each side of the river stood the tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit, yielding its fruit every month. And the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. (Revelation 22:2)**

**Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city. (Revelation 22:14)**

NOT BE HURT BY THE SECOND DEATH

**He who overcomes will not be hurt at all by the second death. (Revelation 2:11)**

HIDDEN MANNA, WHITE STONE WITH A NEW NAME

**To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it. (Revelation 2:17)**

AUTHORITY, MORNING STAR

**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 2:26-28)**

DRESSED IN WHITE, NAME IN BOOK OF LIFE,  
ACKNOWLEDGED BEFORE FATHER AND ANGELS

**He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, and will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels. (Revelation 3:5)**

PILLAR, GOD'S NAME ON ME, NAME OF NEW JERUSALEM ON ME,  
JESUS' NEW NAME ON ME

**Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it. 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 3:12)**

SIT WITH JESUS ON HIS THRONE



**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. (Revelation 3:21)**



OTHER SCRIPTURES ON OVERCOMING

**Matthew 16:18**

**I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.**

**Mark 9:24**

**Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!"**

**John 16:33**

**I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.**

**Romans 12:21**

**Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.**

**1 John 5:4-5**

**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.**

**Revelation 17:14**

**They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will overcome them because he is Lord of lords and King of kings - and with him will be his called, chosen and faithful followers.**

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## OVERSHADOWED

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

**He was still speaking, when lo, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." - Matthew 17:5 RSV**

**The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God." - Luke 1:35**

**How priceless is your unfailing love! Both high and low among men find refuge in the shadow of your wings. - Psalm 36:7**

**The Lord will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore. - Psalm 121:5**

**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 of night. - Exodus 13:21**

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## PAIN-SUFFERING

**The God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows. If we are distressed, it is for your comfort and salvation; if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which produces in you patient endurance of the same sufferings we suffer... just as you share in our sufferings, so also you share in our comfort. - 2 Corinthians 1:3-7**

**We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired even of life. Indeed, in our hearts we felt the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. - 2 Corinthians 1:8-9**

**Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me. - Psalm 23:4**

**Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. - Matthew 5:10-12**

**The apostles left the Sanhedrin, rejoicing because they had been counted worthy of suffering disgrace for the Name. - Acts 5:41**

**I will show him how much he must suffer for my name. - Acts 9:16**

**They preached the good news in that city and won a large number of disciples. Then they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. "We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God," they said. - Acts 14:21-22**

**Now if we are children, then we are heirs - heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his suffering in order that we may also share in his glory. - Romans 8:17**

**Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as sons. For what son is not disciplined by his father? If you are not disciplined (and everyone undergoes discipline), then you are illegitimate children and not true sons... God disciplines us for our good, that we may share in his holiness. No discipline seems pleasant at the**

**time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it. - Hebrews 12:11**

**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 1:2-4**

**Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him. - James 1:12**

**Brothers, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. As you know we consider blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. - James 5:10-11**

**In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith - of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire - may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. - 1 Peter 1:6**

**It is commendable if a man bears up under the pain of unjust suffering because he is conscious of God... If you suffer for doing good and you endure it, this is commendable before God. - Peter 2:19-20**

**Dear friends, do not be surprised at the painful trial you are suffering, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice that you participate in the sufferings of Christ, so that you may be overjoyed when his glory is revealed. - 1 Peter 4:12-13**

**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**

**They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death. - Revelation 12:11**

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## PARADISE

### **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 [Lazarus] died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, 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 set in place, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us."**

### **Luke 23:42-43**

**Then he (the criminal on the cross) said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."**

### **2 Corinthians 12:2-4**

**I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven...And I know that this man...was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell.**

### **Revelation 2:7**

**To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.**

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## PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS

**Psalm 23:3**

**He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.**

**Psalm 25:4**

**Show me your ways, O Lord, teach me your paths.**

**Psalm 27:11**

**Teach me your way, O Lord; lead me in a straight path.**

**Psalm 85:13**

**Righteousness goes before him and prepares the way for his steps.**

**Psalm 119:105**

**Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.**

**Proverbs 3:6**

**In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.**

**Proverbs 4:26**

**Make level paths for your feet and take only ways that are firm.**

**Proverbs 15:19**

**The path of the upright is a highway.**

**Proverbs 15:24**

**The path of life leads upward for the wise to keep him from going down to the grave.**

**Isaiah 26:7**

**The path of the righteous is level; O upright One, you make the way of the righteous smooth.**

**Luke 1:79**

**The rising sun will come to us from heaven to shine on those living in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the path of peace.**

**John 10:4**

**He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.**

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## PATIENCE

### **Psalm 37:7**

**Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for him: do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.**

### **Psalm 8:25**

**I waited patiently for the Lord; he turned to me and heard my cry. He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand. He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God. Many will see and fear and put their trust in the Lord.**

### **Proverbs 15:18**

**A hot-tempered man stirs up dissension, but a patient man calms a quarrel.**

### **Proverbs 19:11**

**A man's wisdom gives him patience; it is to his glory to overlook an offense.**

### **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 12:12**

**Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.**

### **1 Corinthians 13:4-8**

**Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast. It is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails.**

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

**As servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: in great endurance; in troubles, hardships and distresses; in beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger; in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love.**

### **Galatians 5:22-24**

**The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires.**

### **Ephesians 4:1-2**

**As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.**

**Colossians 1:10-11**

**We pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God; being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience.**

**Colossians 3:12-14**

**Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, cloth yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.**

**1 Thessalonians 5:14-15**

**We urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else.**

**Hebrews 6:12**

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



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## PEACE

### **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.**

### **Numbers 25:12**

**Therefore tell him I am making my covenant of peace with him.**

### **Judges 6:24**

**So Gideon built an altar to the Lord there and called it The Lord Is Peace.**

### **Judges 18:6**

**The priest answered them, "Go in peace. Your journey has the Lord's approval."**

### **Psalms 4:8**

**In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.**

### **Psalms 29:11**

**The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace.**

### **Psalms 37:11**

**But the meek will inherit the land and enjoy peace and prosperity.**

### **Psalms 119:165**

**Great peace have those who love your law, and nothing can make them stumble.**

### **Proverbs 16:7**

**When a man's ways are pleasing to the Lord, he makes even his enemies live at peace with him.**

### **Isaiah 9:7**

**Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.**

### **Isaiah 26:3**

**You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.**

### **Isaiah 26:12**

**LORD, you establish peace for us; all that we have accomplished you have done for us.**

**Isaiah 32:17**

**The fruit of that righteousness will be peace; its effect will be quietness and confidence forever.**

**Isaiah 55:12**

**You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and hills will burst into song before you, and all the trees of the field will clap their hands.**

**Isaiah 60:17**

**I will make peace your governor and well-being your ruler.**

**Daniel 10:19**

**"Do not be afraid, you who are highly esteemed," he said. "Peace! Be strong now; be strong." When he spoke to me, I was strengthened and said, "Speak, my lord, since you have given me strength."**

**Matthew 5:9**

**Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.**

**Luke 2:14**

**Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.**

**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.**

**John 16:33**

**I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.**

**Romans 1:7**

**To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be his holy people: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Romans 8:6**

**The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.**

**Romans 15:13**

**May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**Galatians 5:22**

**But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.**

**Ephesians 2:14**

**For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility.**

**Philippians 4:7**

**And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.**

**Colossians 3:15**

**Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.**

**1 Thessalonians 5:23**

**May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Hebrews 7:2**

**And Abraham gave him a tenth of everything. First, the name Melchizedek means "king of righteousness"; then also, "king of Salem" means "king of peace."**

**James 3:17**

**But the wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.**

**2 Peter 3:14**

**So then, dear friends, since you are looking forward to this, make every effort to be found spotless, blameless and at peace with him.**

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## PERSEVERANCE

**He who stands firm to the end will be saved. (Matthew 24:13)**

**All men will hate you because of me, but he who stands firm to the end will be saved. (Mark 13:13)**

**No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God. (Luke 9:62)**

**When the congregation was dismissed, many of the Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who talked with them and urged them to continue in the grace of God. (Acts 13:43)**

**Romans 5:2-4**

**We rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope. And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.**

**1 Corinthians 13:7**

**Love always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.**

**Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. (1 Corinthians 15:58)**

**Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong. Do everything in love. (1 Corinthians 16:13-14)**

**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 6:18)**

**But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation - if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. (Colossians 1:22-23)**

**And as for you, brothers, never tire of doing what is right. (2 Thessalonians 3:13)**

**1 Timothy 4:16**

**Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.**

**I charge you to keep this command without spot or blame until the appearing of your Lord Jesus Christ. (1 Timothy 6:14)**

**But Christ is faithful as a son over God's house. And we are his house, if we hold on to our courage and the hope of which we boast...Encourage one another daily as long as it is called today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. (Hebrews 3:6, 13)**

**Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful...You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised...But my righteous one will live by faith. And if he shrinks back, I will not be pleased with him. (Hebrews 10:23, 36, 38)**

**By faith he left Egypt, not fearing the king's anger; he persevered because he saw him who is invisible. (Hebrews 11:27)**

**Hebrews 12:1**

**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.**

**Hebrews 19:36**

**You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.**

**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 1:12**

**Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.**

**As you know, we consider blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. (James 5:11)**

**2 Peter 1:5-8**

**For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness, and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love. For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary... Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the crown of life... Only hold on to what you have until I come. (Revelation 2:3, 10, 25)**

Some things we receive through perseverance in the faith:

- Salvation
- Character
- Hope
- Established
- Firm
- Not moved from the hope of the gospel
- Will save both yourself and your hearers
- Not hardened by sin's deceitfulness
- Receive what God has promised
- Please God
- See Him who is invisible
- Mature
- Complete
- Not lacking anything
- Blessed
- The crown of life

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## PLANS

Jeremiah 29:11-14

**"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 NIV**

**For I know the thoughts and plans that I have for you, says the Lord, thoughts and plans for welfare and peace and not for evil, to give you hope in your final outcome. Then you will call upon Me, and you will come and pray to Me, and I will hear and heed you. Then you will seek Me, inquire for, and require Me [as a vital necessity] and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart. - Jeremiah 29:11-14 AMP**

**"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me. I will be found by you," says the Lord. - Jeremiah 29:11-14 NLT**

**"I say this because I know what I am planning for you," says the Lord. "I have good plans for you, not plans to hurt you. I will give you hope and a good future. Then you will call my name. You will come to me and pray to me, and I will listen to you. You will search for me. And when you search for me with all your heart, you will find me! I will let you find me," says the Lord. - Jeremiah 29:11-14 NCV**



**The plans of the Lord stand firm forever; the purposes of his heart through all generations. - Psalm 33:11**

**Many, O Lord my God, are the wonders you have done. The things you planned for us no one can recount to you; were I to speak and tell of them, they would be too many to declare. - Psalm 40:5**

**I know that you can do all things; no plan of yours can be thwarted. - Job 42:2**

**What I have said, that will I bring about; what I have planned, that will I do. - Isaiah 46:11**

**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, in order that**

**we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. -  
Ephesians 1:11**

**God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they  
be made perfect. - Hebrews 11:40**



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## PLANTING THE WORD IN YOUR HEART AND MIND

The Word of God is like a seed you plant in your heart as you read it and speak it. As you water and feed that Word it grows in you and produces a harvest of righteousness - right thinking, and right attitudes. Read these scriptures OUT LOUD each morning after awakening, and each evening before going to sleep. Be sure to read them out loud because "Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God. (See Romans 10:17)



**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? (Psalm 27:1)**

**The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation... This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. (Psalm 118:14, 24)**

**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)**

**But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. (2 Corinthians 12:9)**

**You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you! (Isaiah 26:3)**

**I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go. I will counsel you and watch over you. (Psalm 32:8)**

**Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path. (Psalm 119:105)**

**I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you. (Psalm 119:11)**

**Cast your cares on the Lord and he will sustain you; he will never let the righteous fall. (Psalm 55:22)**

**He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being taught. (Isaiah 50:4b)**

**In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength. (Isaiah 30:15)**

**The righteous will live by his faith. (Habakkuk 2:4b)**

**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. (Proverbs 3:5-6)**

**May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Psalm 19:14)**

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## PORTALS

(A DOORWAY, ENTRANCE, OR GATE)

**Surely the Lord is in this place, and I did not know it...How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of Heaven! (Genesis 28:16-17)**

**Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. (Psalm 24:7)**

**He commanded the clouds above and opened the doors of heaven. (Psalm 78:23)**

**Blessed is the man who listens to me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. (Proverbs 8:34)**

**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)**

**Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man. (John 1:51)**

**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 3:7-8)**

**After these things I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven. And the first voice which I heard was like a trumpet speaking with me, saying "Come up here, and I will show you things which must take place after this." Immediately, I was in the spirit. (Revelation 4:1-2a)**

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## PORTION

**Psalm 16:5**

**Lord, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure.**

**Psalm 73:26**

**God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.**

**Psalm 119:57**

**You are my portion, O Lord; I have promised to obey your words.**

**Jeremiah 10:16**

**He who is the Portion of Jacob is not like these, for he is the Maker of all things, including Israel, the tribe of his inheritance - the Lord Almighty is his name.**

**Lamentations 3:24**

**I say to myself, "The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him."**

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## POTTER AND CLAY

### **Genesis 2:7**

**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.**

### **Isaiah 64:8**

**Yet, O Lord, you are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; we are all the work of your hand.**

### **Isaiah 29:16**

**You turn things upside down, as if the potter were thought to be like the clay! Shall what is formed say to him who formed it, "He did not make me"? Can the pot say of the potter, "He knows nothing"?**

### **Isaiah 45:9**

**Woe to him who quarrels with his Maker, to him who is but a potsherd among the potsherds on the ground. Does the clay say to the potter, "What are you making?"**

### **Jeremiah 18:6**

**Then the word of the Lord came to me: "O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter does?" declares the Lord. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel."**

### **Romans 9:21**

**Does not the potter have the right to make out of the same lump of clay some pottery for noble purposes and some for common use?**

### **2 Corinthians 4:7**

**We have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.**

### **2 Timothy 2:20-21**

**In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for noble purposes and some for ignoble. If a man cleanses himself from the latter, he will be an instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.**

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## POWER

**Psalm 21:13**

**Be exalted in your strength, Lord; we will sing and praise your might (power).**

**Psalm 59:16**

**But I will sing of your strength (power), in the morning I will sing of your love; for you are my fortress, my refuge in times of trouble.**

**Psalm 66:7**

**He rules forever by his power.**

**Proverbs 18:21**

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

**Jeremiah 51:15**

**He made the earth by his power; he founded the world by his wisdom and stretched out the heavens by his understanding.**

**Habakkuk 3:4**

**His splendor was like the sunrise; rays flashed from his hand, where his power was hidden.**

**Matthew 6:13**

**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Matthew 9:6, 8**

**I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority (power) on earth to forgive sins...When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe and they praised God, who had given such authority (power) to man.**

**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 heaven, with power and great glory.**

**Matthew 28:18**

**Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority (power) in heaven and on earth has been given to me.**

**Mark 5:30**

**At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"**

**Mark 9:1**

**And he said to them, "Truly I tell you, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see that the kingdom of God has come with power."**

**Mark 14:62**

**Jesus said, "I am, and you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven."**

**Luke 1:35**

**The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God."**

**Luke 4:14**

**Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news about him spread through the whole countryside.**

**Luke 4:32**

**They were astonished at his doctrine, for his word was with power.**

**Luke 4:36**

**All the people were amazed and said to each other, "What words these are! With authority and power he gives orders to impure spirits and they come out!"**

**Luke 6:19**

**And the people all tried to touch him, because power was coming from him and healing them all.**

**Luke 8:46**

**Jesus said, "Someone touched me; I know that power has gone out from me."**

**Luke 9:1**

**When Jesus had called the Twelve together, he gave them power and authority to drive out all demons and to cure diseases, and he sent them out to proclaim the kingdom of God and to heal the sick.**

**Luke 21:27**

**At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.**

**Luke 24:49**

**You are witnesses of these things. 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.**

**John 1:12**

**But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God.**

**Acts 1:8**

**But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.**

**Acts 3:12**

**When Peter saw this, he said to them: "Fellow Israelites, why does this surprise you? Why do you stare at us as if by our own power or godliness we had made this man walk?"**

**Acts 4:33**

**With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus.**

**Acts 6:8**

**Now Stephen, a man full of God's grace and power, performed great wonders and signs among the people.**

**Acts 26:18**

**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 to me.**

**Romans 1:16**

**For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes.**

**Romans 15:13**

**May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**Romans 15:18-19**

**I will not venture to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me in leading the Gentiles to obey God by what I have said and done - by the power of signs and wonders, through the power of the Spirit of God.**

**1 Corinthians 1:18**

**For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.**

**1 Corinthians 1:24**

**We preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.**



**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 human wisdom, but on God's power.**

**1 Corinthians 6:14**

**By his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also.**

**1 Corinthians 15:24**

**Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power.**

**1 Corinthians 15:42-44**

**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 a spiritual body.**

**2 Corinthians 2:9**

**But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."**

**Ephesians 1:17-19**

**I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, and his incomparably great power for us who believe.**

**Ephesians 1:19-21**

**That power is the same as the mighty strength he exerted when he raised Christ from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly realms, far above all rule and authority, power and dominion, and every name that is invoked, not only in the present age but also in the one to come.**

**Ephesians 3:20-21**

**Now to 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.**

**Philippians 3:10**

**I want to know Christ - yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.**

**1 Thessalonians 1:4-5**

**For we know, brothers and sisters loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not simply with words but also with power, with the Holy Spirit and deep conviction.**

**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.**

**Hebrews 4:12**

**For the word of God is alive and active (powerful). Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.**

**1 Peter 1:4-5**

**This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.**

**2 Peter 1:3**

**His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.**

**Revelation 2:26**

**To the one who is victorious and does my will to the end, I will give authority (power) over the nations.**

**Revelation 11:17**

**We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, the One who is and who was, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign.**

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## PRAISE

### **Deuteronomy 10:17-21**

**For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who shows no partiality and accepts no bribes. He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the alien, giving him food and clothing. And you are to love those who are aliens, for you yourselves were aliens in Egypt. Fear the Lord your God and serve him. Hold fast to him and take your oaths in his name. He is your praise; he is your God, who performed for you those great and awesome wonders you saw with your own eyes.**

### **Psalm 9:1-2**

**I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonders.**

### **Psalm 29:1-2**

**Ascribe to the Lord, O mighty ones, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.**

### **Psalm 33:1-5**

**Sing joyfully to the Lord, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him. Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully, and shout for joy. For the word of the Lord is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. The Lord loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.**

### **Psalm 34:1, 3**

**I will extol the Lord at all times; his praise will always be on my lips...Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt his name together.**

### **Psalm 95:1-7**

**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. For the Lord is the great God; the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land. Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

### **Psalm 96:1-4**

**Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, praise his name; 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 god.**

**Psalm 96:7-10**

Ascribe to the Lord, O families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength. Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth. Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns." The world is firmly established, it cannot be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity.

**Psalm 100**

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

**Psalm 101:1**

I will sing of your love and justice; to you, O Lord, I will sing praise.

**Psalm 103:1-5**

Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits - who forgives all your sins, and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, and crowns you with love and compassion, who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

**Psalm 104:33-34**

I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the Lord.

**Psalm 105:1-5**

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice. Look to the Lord and his strength; seek his face always. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced.

**1 Chronicles 16:23-29**

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. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy in his dwelling place. Ascribe to the Lord, O families of nations, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength, ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.

**Daniel 2:20-23**

**Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his. He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him. I thank and praise you, O God of my fathers; you have made known to me what we asked of you, you have made known to us the dream of the king.**

**Habakkuk 3:3-4**

**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.**

**Luke 1:46-50**

**And Mary said: My soul glorifies the Lord and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has been mindful of the humble state of his servant. From now on all generations will call me blessed, for the Mighty One has done great things for me - holy is his name.**

**Luke 1:68-69**

**Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because he has come and has redeemed his people. He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David.**

**Ephesians 1:3-6**

**Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will - to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.**

**Ephesians 1:7-12**

**In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment - to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ. 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, in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.**

**Revelation 19:5-8**

**Then a voice came from the throne, saying: "Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both small and great!" Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting: "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give**

**him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean, was given her to wear." (Fine linen stands for the righteous acts of the saints.)**

## PRAYING IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

### **Romans 8:26-27**

**The Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints in accordance with God's will.**

### **1 Corinthians 14:15**

**I will pray with my spirit, but I will also pray with my mind; I will sing with my spirit, but I will also sing with my mind.**

### **Ephesians 6:18**

**And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.**

### **Jude 20**

**But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit.**

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## PREDESTINATION AND FOREKNOWLEDGE

Predestine means to mark out or determine beforehand.

### **Mark 13:20**

**In fact, unless the Lord shortens that time of calamity, not a single person will survive. But for the sake of his chosen ones he has shortened those days.**

### **John 6:44-45**

**For no one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws them to me, and at the last day I will raise them up. As it is written in the Scriptures, ‘They will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from him comes to me.**

### **Acts 2:23**

**This man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan and foreknowledge.**

### **Acts 2:38-39**

**Peter replied, “Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. This promise is to you, and to your children, and even to the Gentiles—all who have been called by the Lord our God.”**

### **Acts 13:48**

**When the Gentiles heard this, they were very glad and thanked the Lord for his message; and all who were chosen for eternal life became believers.**

### **Romans 8:28-30**

**And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.**

### **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.**

### **1 Corinthians 2:7**



**We speak of God's secret wisdom, a wisdom that has been hidden and that God destined for our glory before time began.**

**Ephesians 1:3-5**

**All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ. Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.**

**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, in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory.**

**1 Thessalonians 1:4**

**We know, dear brothers and sisters, that God loves you and has chosen you to be his own people.**

**2 Timothy 2:20-21**

**In a wealthy home some utensils are made of gold and silver, and some are made of wood and clay. The expensive utensils are used for special occasions, and the cheap ones are for everyday use. If you keep yourself pure, you will be a special utensil for honorable use. Your life will be clean, and you will be ready for the Master to use you for every good work.**

**1 Peter 1:2**

**Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience.**

**2 Peter 1:10**

**So, dear brothers and sisters, work hard to prove that you really are among those God has called and chosen. Do these things, and you will never fall away.**

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## PRIDE

### **Proverbs 8:13**

**I hate pride and arrogance, evil behavior and perverse speech.**

### **Proverbs 16:18**

**Pride goes before destruction, a haughty spirit before a fall.**

### **Daniel 4:37**

**Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and exalt and glorify the King of heaven, because everything he does is right and all his ways are just. And those who walk in pride he is able to humble.**

### **Obadiah 1:3**

**The pride of your heart has deceived you.**

### **Zephaniah 2:10**

**This is what they will get in return for their pride, for insulting and mocking the people of the Lord Almighty.**

### **Mark 7:20-23 RSV**

**What comes out of a man is what defiles a man. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, fornication, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a man.**

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## PROMISES

**I will never leave you or forsake you. (Hebrews 13:5)**

**If you seek Me you will find Me. (1 Chronicles 28:9)**

**Thy word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path. (Psalm 119:105)**

**If you remain in Me and My word remains in you, ask whatever you wish and it will be given you. (John 15:7)**

**If we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. (1 John 5:14)**

**And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with Me. (John 14:3)**

**I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go. I will counsel you and watch over you. (Psalm 32:8)**

**All the promises of God are "yes" and "amen" in Christ Jesus. (2 Corinthians 1:20)**

**He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High, will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. (Psalm 91:1)**

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## PROSPERING

**I will look after you, and multiply you, and fulfill my covenant with you. (Leviticus 26:9 TLB)**

**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. (Deuteronomy 28:12)**

**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. (Deuteronomy 28:8)**

**Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners, or sit 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. (Psalm 1:1-3)**

**Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands. Wealth and riches are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever. (Psalm 112:1, 3)**

**The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children. (Psalm 115:14)**

**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! May they prosper who love you! (Psalm 122:6 RSV)**

**Blessings are upon the head of the just. (Proverbs 10:6)**

**Prosperity is the reward of the righteous. (Proverbs 13:21)**

**A faithful man shall abound with blessings. (Proverbs 28:20)**

**He who trusts in the Lord will prosper. (Proverbs 28:25)**

**I, even I, have spoken and called him, I have brought him, and he will prosper in his way. (Isaiah 48:15 RSV)**

**No weapon that is fashioned against you shall prosper, and you shall confute every tongue that rises against you in judgment. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord and their vindication from me, says the Lord. (Isaiah 54:17 RSV)**

**So shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it. (Isaiah 55:11 RSV)**

**I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten. (Joel 2:25)**

**Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well. (3 John 2)**

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## PROTECTION BY THE NAME OF GOD

**Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me—so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. (John 17:11-12)**

**Save me, O God, by your name; vindicate me by your might. (Psalm 54:1)**

**May the name of the God of Jacob protect you. (Psalm 20:1)**

**The Lord said to Moses, "Tell Aaron and his sons, 'This is how you are to bless the Israelites. Say to them: "'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.'"**

**"So they will put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them." (Numbers 6:22-27)**

**The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe. (Proverbs 18:10)**

**Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. (Joel 2:32)**

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed by your name...Deliver us from the evil one. (Matthew 6:9, 13)**

**Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to men by which we must be saved. (Acts 4:12)**

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## PROTECTION

### OLD TESTAMENT

#### **Genesis 50:20-21**

**You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children.**

#### **Exodus 14:13-14**

**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.**

#### **Deuteronomy 33:12**

**Let the beloved of the Lord rest secure in him, for he shields him all day long.**

#### **Psalms 3:3**

**But you, O Lord, are a shield for me, my glory and the One who lifts up my head.**

#### **Psalms 9:10**

**Those who know your name trust in you, for you, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek you.**

#### **Psalms 23:3-4**

**He guides me along the right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

#### **Psalms 27:1 NLT**

**The Lord is my light and my salvation—so why should I be afraid? The Lord is my fortress protecting me from danger—so why should I tremble?**

#### **Psalms 31:14**

**But I trust in you, Lord; I say, "You are my God." My times are in your hands; deliver me from the hands of my enemies, from those who pursue me.**

#### **Psalms 32:10b**

**The Lord's unfailing love surrounds the one who trusts in him.**

#### **Psalms 56:3-4**

**When I am afraid, I put my trust in you, in God, whose word I praise - in God I trust and am not afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?**

**Psalm 56:9**

**Then my enemies will turn back when I call for help. By this I will know that God is for me.**

**Psalm 57:1**

**Have mercy on me, my God, have mercy on me, for in you I take refuge. I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed.**

**Psalm 57:2-3**

**I cry out to God Most High, to God, who fulfills his purpose for me. He sends from heaven and saves me, rebuking those who hotly pursue me; God sends his love and his faithfulness.**

**Psalm 84:11**

**The Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless.**

**Psalm 91 (NLT)**

- 1. Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.**
- 2. This I declare about the Lord: he alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him.**
- 3. For He will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease.**
- 4. He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.**
- 5. Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies in the day.**
- 6. Do not dread the disease that stalks in darkness, nor the disaster that strikes at midday.**
- 7. Though a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you, these evils will not touch you.**
- 8. Just open your eyes, and see how the wicked are punished.**
- 9. If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter,**
- 10. No evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home.**
- 11. For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go.**
- 12. They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.**
- 13. You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet!**
- 14. The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name.**
- 15. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them.**
- 16. I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation."**



**Psalm 112:7**

**They will have no fear of bad news; their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord.**

**Psalm 121:1-2**

**I lift up my eyes to the mountains - where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

**Psalm 121:3-4**

**He will not let your foot slip - he who watches over you will not slumber; indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.**

**Psalm 121:5-6**

**The Lord watches over you - the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.**

**Psalm 121:7-8**

**The Lord will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.**

**Proverbs 1:33**

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

**Proverbs 2:1-8**

**My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding, and if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. He holds victory in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless, for he guards the course of the just and protects the way of his faithful ones.**

**Proverbs 3:5-6**

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

**Proverbs 3:23-24**

**Then you will go on your way in safety, and your foot will not stumble. When you lie down, you will not be afraid; when you lie down, your sleep will be sweet.**

**Proverbs 18:12**

**The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the righteous run to it and are safe.**

**Proverbs 22:3**

**The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and pay the penalty.**

**Ecclesiastes 7:12**

**Wisdom is a shelter as money is a shelter, but the advantage of knowledge is this: Wisdom preserves those who have it.**

**Isaiah 26:3**

**You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in you.**

**Isaiah 30:21**

**Whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you, saying, "This is the way; walk in it."**

**Isaiah 42:16**

**I will lead the blind by ways they have not known, along unfamiliar paths I will guide them; I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth. These are the things I will do; I will not forsake them.**

**Isaiah 43:1-3**

**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. For I am the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.**

**Isaiah 54:17**

**No weapon forged against you will prevail, and you will refute every tongue that accuses you. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and this is their vindication from me.**

**Isaiah 58:8**

**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.**

**Isaiah 58:9b-10**

**Then you will call, and the Lord will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I.**

**Daniel 3:16-18**

**Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego replied to him, "King Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to defend ourselves before you in this matter. If we are thrown into the blazing furnace, the God we serve is able to deliver us from it, and he will deliver us from Your Majesty's hand. But even if he does not, we want you to know, Your Majesty, that we will not serve your gods or worship the image of gold you have set up."**

NEW TESTAMENT

**Matthew 6:31-33**

**So do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink? Or "What shall we wear?"**

**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.**

**John 10:10**

**The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.**

**John 11:4**

**This sickness will not end in death. No, it is for God's glory so that God's Son may be glorified through it.**

**John 14:1**

**Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me.**

**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.**

**John 16:33**

**I have told you these things, so that in my you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.**

**2 Corinthians 9:8**

**And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.**

**2 Corinthians 12:9**

**My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.**

**Ephesians 3:20-21**

**Now to 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.**

**Philippians 4:6-7**

**Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which**

transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

**Philippians 4:13**

**I can do all things through him who gives me strength.**

**Philippians 4:19**

**And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.**

**2 Thessalonians 3:3**

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

**2 Timothy 1:7**

**For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.**

**Hebrews 12:1-3**

**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, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.**

**Hebrews 13:5**

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

**Hebrews 13:6**

**The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?**

**Hebrews 13:8**

**Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.**

**1 Peter 5:7**

**Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.**

**1 John 5:4-5**

**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 the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God.**

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## PROVISION

### MANNA

#### **Exodus 16:13-15**

**That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread the Lord has given you to eat."**

### WATER FROM ROCK

#### **Exodus 17:5-6**

**The Lord answered Moses, "Walk on ahead of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink." So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel.**

### ELIJAH FED BY RAVENS

#### **1 Kings 17:4-7**

**Then the word of the Lord came to Elijah: "Leave here, turn eastward and hide in the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan. You will drink from the brook, and I have ordered the ravens to feed you there."**

**So he did what the Lord had told him. He went to the Kerith Ravine, east of the Jordan, and stayed there. The ravens brought him bread and meat in the morning and bread and meat in the evening, and he drank from the brook.**

### WIDOW'S OIL INCREASED

#### **2 Kings 4:1-7**

**The wife of a man from the company of the prophets cried out to Elisha, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that he revered the Lord. But now his creditor is coming to take my two boys as his slaves."**

**Elisha replied to her, "How can I help you? Tell me, what do you have in your house?"**

**"Your servant has nothing there at all," she said, "except a little oil."**

**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 afterward 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."**

## RAIN

**1 Kings 18:41-42, 44-45**

**And Elijah said to Ahab, "Go, eat and drink, for there is the sound of a heavy rain. So Ahab went off to eat and drink, but Elijah climbed to the top of Carmel, bent down to the ground and put his face between his knees. (Elijah prayed seven times)**

**The seventh time the servant reported, "A cloud as small as a man's hand is rising from the sea."**

**So Elijah said, "Go and tell Ahab, 'Hitch up your chariot and go down before the rain stops you.'"**

**Meanwhile, the sky grew black with clouds, the wind rose, a heavy rain came on and Ahab rode off to Jezreal.**

## WATER

**2 Kings 3:16-20**

**While the harpist was playing, the hand of the Lord came upon Elisha and he said, "This is what the Lord says: Make this valley full of ditches. For this is what the Lord says: you will see neither wind nor rain, yet this valley will be filled with water, and you, your cattle and your other animals will drink. This is an easy thing in the eyes of the Lord; he will also hand Moab over to you..."**

**The next morning, about the time for offering the sacrifice, there it was - water flowing from the direction of Edom! And the land was filled with water.**

## HUNDRED FED WITH TWENTY LOAVES

**2Kings 4:42-44**

**A man came from Baal Shalishah, bringing the man of God twenty loaves of barley bread baked from the first ripe grain, along with some heads of new grain. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said.**

**"How can I set this before a hundred men?" his servant asked.**

**But Elisha answered, "Give it to the people to eat. For this is what the Lord says: 'They will eat and have some left over.'" Then he set it before them, and they**

ate and had some left over, according to the word of the Lord.

#### ANGELS FEED JESUS

**Matthew 4:1-4, 11**

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. The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread."

Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"

Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

#### FIVE THOUSAND FED

**(Matthew 14:15-21)**

As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food."

Jesus replied, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

"We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish," they answered.

"Bring them here to me," he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children.

#### TRIBUTE MONEY PROVIDED

**Matthew 17:24-27**

After Jesus and his disciples arrived in Capernaum, the collectors of the two-drachma tax came to Peter and asked, "Doesn't your teacher pay the temple tax?"

"Yes he does," he replied...

"The sons are exempt," Jesus said to him. "But so that we may not offend them, go to the lake and throw out your line. Take the first fish you catch; open its mouth and you will find a four-drachma coin. Take it and give it to them for my tax and yours."

#### DRAUGHT OF FISHES

**John 21:1**

**"I'm going out to fish," Simon Peter told them, and they said, "We'll go with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.**

**Early in the morning, Jesus stood on the shore, but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus.**

**He called out to them, "Friends, haven't you any fish?"**

**"No," they answered.**

**He said, "Throw your net on the right side of the boat and you will find some." When they did, they were unable to haul the net in because of the large number of fish.**

#### MULTIPLICATION BY SUBMITTING TO WHAT GOD INSTRUCTS YOU TO DO

**Then the angel of the Lord told her, "Go back to your mistress and submit to her." The angel added, "I will so increase your descendants that they will be too numerous to count." (Genesis 16:9-10)**

#### MULTIPLICATION BY ACKNOWLEDGING THE LORD'S GIFTS

**She has not acknowledged that I was the one who gave her the grain, the new wine and oil, who lavished on her the silver and gold. (Hosea 2:8)**

#### PROVISION BY GOD'S PROMISE/OATH

**The Lord appeared to Isaac and said, "Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land where I tell you to live. Stay in this land for a while, and I will be with you and will bless you. For to you and your descendants, I will give all these lands and will confirm the oath I swore to your father Abraham. I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, because Abraham obeyed me and kept my requirements, my commands, my decrees and my laws." (Genesis 26:2-5)**

**In times of disaster they will not wither; in days of famine they will enjoy plenty. (Psalm 37:19)**

**I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed. (Psalm 37:25-26)**

#### PROVISION BY MAN'S OBEDIENCE

**If you pay attention to these laws and are careful to follow them, then the Lord your God will keep his covenant of love with you, as he swore to you forefathers. He will**



**love you and bless you and increase your numbers. He will bless the fruit of your womb, the crops of your land...the calves of your herds. You will be blessed more than any other people...The Lord will keep you free from every disease. (Deuteronomy 7:12-15)**

## PSALM NINETY-ONE

### PSALM 91 (NCV)

**Those who go to God Most High for safety will be protected by the Almighty. I will say to the Lord, “You are my place of safety and protection. You are my God and I trust you.”**

**God will save you from hidden traps and from deadly diseases. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you can hide. His truth will be your shield and protection. You will not fear any danger by night or an arrow during the day. You will not be afraid of diseases that come in the dark or sickness that strikes at noon. At your side one thousand people may die, or even ten thousand right beside you, but you will not be hurt. You will only watch and see the wicked punished.**

**The Lord is your protection; you have made God Most High your place of safety. Nothing bad will happen to you; no disaster will come to your home. He has put his angels in charge of you to watch over you wherever you go. They will catch you in their hands so that you will not hit your foot on a rock. You will walk on lions and cobras; you will step on strong lions and snakes.**

**The Lord says, “Whoever loves me, I will save. I will protect those who know me. They will call to me, and I will answer them. I will be with them in trouble; I will rescue them and honor them. I will give them a long, full life, and they will see how I can save.**

### PSALM 91 (NLT)

- 1. Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.**
- 2. This I declare about the Lord: he alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him.**
- 3. For He will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease.**
- 4. He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.**
- 5. Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies in the day.**
- 6. Do not dread the disease that stalks in darkness, nor the disaster that strikes at midday.**
- 7. Though a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you, these evils will not touch you.**
- 8. Just open your eyes, and see how the wicked are punished.**

9. If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter,
10. No evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home.
11. For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go.
12. They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.
13. You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet!
14. The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name.
15. When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them.
16. I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation."

PSALM 91 (NIV)

**He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.**

**Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence. 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.**

**A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.**

**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; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. You will tread upon the lion and the cobra, you will trample the great lion and the serpent.**

**"Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call upon me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. With long life will I satisfy him and show him my salvation."**

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## PURE

### **Exodus 30:34-35**

Then the Lord said to Moses, "Take fragrant spices - gum resin, onycha and galbanum - and pure frankincense, all in equal amounts, and make a fragrant blend of incense, the work of a perfumer. It is to be salted and pure and sacred.

### **Exodus 37:2, 6**

He overlaid it [ark] with pure gold, both inside and out, and made a gold molding around it... He made the atonement cover of pure gold.

### **Exodus 37:16**

And they made from pure gold the articles for the table - its plates and dishes and bowls and its pitchers for the pouring out of drink offerings.

### **Leviticus 24:34**

Outside the curtain of the Testimony in the Tent of Meeting, Aaron is to tend the lamps before the Lord from evening till morning, continually. This is to be a lasting ordinance for the generations to come. The lamps on the pure gold lampstand before the Lord must be tended continually.

### **2 Chronicles 9:17**

Then the king (Solomon) made a great throne inlaid with ivory and overlaid with pure gold.

### **Job 4:17**

Can a mortal be more righteous than God? Can a man be more pure than his Maker?

### **Job 8:5-6**

If you will look to God and plead with the Almighty, if you are pure and upright, even now he will rouse himself on your behalf and restore you to your rightful place.

### **Job 28:12-13, 19, 23-24, 28**

Where can wisdom be found? Where does understanding dwell? Man does not comprehend its worth; it cannot be found in the land of the living... It cannot be bought with pure gold... God understands the way to it and he alone knows where it dwells, for he views the ends of the earth and sees everything under the heavens... And he said to man, "The fear of the Lord - that is wisdom, and to shun evil is understanding."

### **Psalms 12:6**

**The words of the Lord are flawless, like silver refined in a furnace of clay, purified seven times.**

**Psalm 18:26**

**To the faithful you show yourself faithful, to the blameless you show yourself blameless, to the pure you show yourself pure, but to the crooked you show yourself shrewd.**

**Psalm 19:8 RSV**

**The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.**

**Psalm 24:3-4**

**Who may ascend the hill of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to an idol or swear by what is false.**

**Psalm 73:1**

**Surely God is good to Israel, to those who are pure in heart.**

**Psalm 119:9**

**How can a young man keep his way pure? By living according to your word.**

**Proverbs 15:26**

**The Lord detests the thoughts of the wicked, but those of the pure are pleasing to him.**

**Proverbs 30:11-12**

**There are... those who are pure in their own eyes and yet are not cleansed of their filth.**

**Habakkuk 1:13**

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

**Matthew 5:8**

**Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.**

**2 Corinthians 11:3**

**I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ.**

**Philippians 2:15**

**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.**

**1 Timothy 1:5 RSV**

**The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and sincere faith.**

**1 Timothy 5:22**

**Do not be hasty in the laying on of hands, and do not share in the sins of others. Keep yourself pure.**

**Titus 1:15**

**To the pure, all things are pure, but to those who are corrupted and do not believe, nothing is pure.**

**Titus 2:5**

**Then they [older women] can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God.**

**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.**

**James 3:17**

**The wisdom that comes from heaven is first of all pure; then peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy and good fruit, impartial and sincere.**

**1 John 3:2-3**

**Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure.**

**Revelations 21:18**

**The wall was made of jasper, and the city of pure gold, as pure as glass.**

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## PURPOSE

### (HIS PURPOSE)

**Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath. - Hebrews 6:17**

**The Lord Almighty has sworn, "Surely, as I have planned, so it will be, and as I have purposed, so it will stand." - Isaiah 14:24**

**We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. - Romans 8:28**

**Now the dwelling of God is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God ...He said to me: "It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End." - Revelation 21:3, 6**

**O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago. - Isaiah 25:1**

**As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return to it without watering the earth and making it bud and flourish, so that it yields seed for the sower and bread for the eater, so is my word that goes out from my mouth: It will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire and achieve the purpose for which I sent it. - Isaiah 55:10-11**

**The Lord foils the plans of the nations; he thwarts the purposes of the peoples. But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever; the purposes of his heart through all generations. - Psalm 33:10-11**

**In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps. - Proverbs 16:9**

**Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails. - Proverbs 19:21**

**A man's steps are directed by the Lord. How then can anyone understand his own way? - Proverbs 20:24**

**There is no wisdom, no insight, no plan that can succeed against the Lord. - Proverbs 21:30**

**For the Lord Almighty has purposed, and who can thwart him? His hand is stretched out, and who can turn it back? - Isaiah 14:26**

**The Lord Almighty planned it, to bring low the pride of all glory and to humble all who are renowned on the earth. - Isaiah 23:9**

**I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say: My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please... What I have said, that will I bring about; what I have planned, that will I do. - Isaiah 46:10-11**

**I know, O Lord, that a man's life is not his own; it is not for man to direct his steps. - Jeremiah 10:23**

**And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment - to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ. - Ephesians 1:9-10**

**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, in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. - Ephesians 1:11-12**

**They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. - Acts 4:28**

**I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. - Revelation 22:13**



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## QUIETNESS

**Psalm 46:10**

**Be still and know that I am God.**

**Psalm 23:2**

**The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul.**

**Isaiah 30:15**

**In quietness and confidence is your strength.**

**Isaiah 32:17**

**The fruit of righteousness will be peace; the effect of righteousness will be quietness and confidence forever.**

**Zephaniah 3:17**

**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.**

**Zechariah 2:13**

**Be still before the Lord, all mankind, because he has roused himself from his holy dwelling.**

**1 Timothy 2:2**

**I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for everyone - for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness.**

**1 Peter 3:3-4**

**Your beauty ... should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight.**

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## RADIANCE

**When Moses came down from Mount Sinai with the two tablets of the Testimony in his hands, he was not aware that his face was radiant because he had spoken with the Lord. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, his face was radiant, and they were afraid to come near him. - Exodus 34:29-30**

**Whenever he [Moses] entered the Lord's presence to speak with him, he removed the veil until he came out. And when he came out and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, they saw that his face was radiant. Then Moses would put the veil back over his face until he went in to speak with the Lord. - Exodus 34:34-35**

**Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame. - Psalm 34:5**

**O God, enthroned above the cherubim, display your radiant glory. - Psalm 80:1 NLT**

**My lover is radiant and ruddy, outstanding among ten thousand. - Song of Solomon 5:10**

**Then you will look and be radiant, your heart will throb and swell with joy. - Isaiah 60:5**

**Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. - Daniel 12:3**

**Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. - Matthew 17:2**

**Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. - Ephesians 5:26-27**

**The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. - Hebrews 1:3**

**I saw... someone like a son of man, dressed in a robe reaching down to his feet and with a golden sash around his chest. His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and his eyes were like blazing fire. His feet were like bronze glowing in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of rushing waters. In his right hand he held**

**seven stars, and out of his mouth came a sharp double-edged sword. His face was like the sun shining in all its brilliance. - Revelation 1:13-16**

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## RAPTURE

### **Genesis 5:24**

**Enoch walked with God; then he was no more, because God took him away.**

### **Job 34:20 NASB**

**In a moment they die, and at midnight people are shaken and pass away. And the mighty are taken away without a hand.**

### **Psalm 12:1**

**Help, Lord, for the godly are no more; the faithful have vanished from among men.**

### **Isaiah 51:11**

**Those the Lord has rescued will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads. Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and signing will flee away.**

### **Isaiah 57:1**

**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.**

### **Jeremiah 29:11-14**

**"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.**

### **Matthew 13:30**

**Let both 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.**

### **Matthew 24:30-31**

**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. (He gathers His elect who are already in heaven to return with Him to the earth at His glorious appearing)**

### **Matthew 24:39-42, 44**

**This is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. Two women will be grinding with a hand mill;**

one will be taken and the other left. Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come....so you also must be ready, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect him.

**Matthew 25:1-13**

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 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 bridegroom 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.

**John 14:2-3**

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.

**John 10:3-4**

He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes on ahead of them, and his sheep follow him because they know his voice.

**Acts 1:9-11**

After he said this, 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. "

**1 Corinthians 15:51-52**

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.

**1 Corinthians 15:20-26**

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 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. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who

belong to him. Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

**Philippians 3:20-21**

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.

**1 Thessalonians 4:14-17**

We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's own word, 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. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.

**Titus 2:13-14**

While we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

**Hebrews 9:28**

He will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.

**Hebrews 10:37**

For in just a very little while "He who is coming will come and will not delay."

**Hebrews 11:5**

By faith Enoch was taken from this life, so he did not experience death; he could not be found, because God had taken him away.

**James 5:8**

You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near.

**2 Peter 2:9**

The Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials and to hold the unrighteous for the day of judgment.

**Jude 14-15**

Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men: "See, the Lord is coming with thousands upon thousands of his holy ones to judge everyone, and to

**convict all the ungodly of all the ungodly acts they have done in the ungodly way, and of all the harsh words ungodly sinners have spoken against him.”**

**Revelation 3:8**

**See, I have placed before you an open door that no one can shut.**

**Revelation 3:10**

**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.**

**Revelation 4:1**

**After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this."**

**Revelation 11:12**

**Then they (The two witnesses) heard a loud voice from heaven saying to them, "Come up here." And they went up to heaven in a cloud, while their enemies looked on.**

**Revelation 12:1-2, 5**

**A great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet and a crown of twelve stars on her head. She was pregnant and cried out in pain as she was about to give birth...She gave birth to a son, a male child, who "will rule all the nations with an iron scepter." And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne.**

**Revelation 22:20**

**He who testifies to these things says, "Yes, I am coming soon."**



Moses represents dead saints raptured.

Enoch represents living saints translated

Elijah represents Jewish remnant (144,000) caught up mid-tribulation - Revelation 7



Scofield says in my NIV Study Bible (Regarding Matthew 25:31-46 - the story of sheep and goats) "The good works mentioned are the proof but not the ground of faith and salvation. The fact that the righteous and the unrighteous are still mingled and require separation after the establishment of Christ's throne on earth makes evident that no rapture, i.e. translation of the saints, could have taken place at the time of Christ's coming to the earth after the tribulation. In such a case the separation here described would have

already occurred before the establishment of the throne. The sheep are Gentiles saved on earth during the period between the rapture and Christ's second coming to the earth."



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## REASON FOR LIVING

### TO BLESS THE LORD

**Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good as long as you live, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's. - Psalm 103:1-5 RSV**

### TO HONOR THE LORD

**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 4:11**

### TO WORSHIP THE LORD

**I will sing to the Lord all my life, I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the Lord. - Psalm 104:33-34**

### TO FELLOWSHIP WITH THE LORD

**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 1:3**

### TO LOVE THE LORD

**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." - Matthew 22:37-38**

### TO BE THE LORD'S AMBASSADOR

**He has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. - 2 Corinthians 5:19-20**

TO BE A TESTIMONY TO THE LORD

**Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven. - Matthew 5:16**

TO OVERCOME THE WORLD AND THE DEVIL

**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 5:4-5**

**They overcame him (the accuser) by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death. - Revelation 12:11**

TO ENJOY THE COMPANIONSHIP OF THE LORD THROUGH HIS HOLY SPIRIT

**And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever - the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. - John 14:16-17**

**May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. - 2 Corinthians 13:14**

TO DISPLAY HIS GREAT GRACE IN THE AGES TO COME

**And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. - Ephesians 2:6-7**

## REBELLION

**Numbers 14:9**

**Do not rebel against the Lord.**

**Psalm 5:10**

**Declare them guilty, O God! Let their intrigues be their downfall. Banish them for their many sins, for they have rebelled against you.**

**Psalm 78:17**

**But they continued to sin against him, rebelling in the desert against the Most High.**

**Psalm 107:10-11**

**Some sat in darkness and the deepest gloom, prisoners suffering in iron chains, for they rebelled against the words of God and despised the counsel of the Most High.**

**Isaiah 1:2**

**I reared children and brought them up, but they have rebelled against me.**

**Isaiah 1:19-20**

**If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the best from the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you will be devoured by the sword.**

**Isaiah 63:10**

**Yet they rebelled and grieved his Holy Spirit. So he turned and became their enemy and he himself fought against them.**

**Matthew 10:21**

**Children will rebel against their parents.**

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## RECONCILED

IT IS ACCOMPLISHED BY GOD IN CHRIST

**All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. - 2 Corinthians 5:18-19**

IT IS ACCOMPLISHED BY CHRIST'S DEATH

**For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! - Romans 5:10**

IT IS ACCOMPLISHED BY CHRIST'S BLOOD

**But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. - Ephesians 2:13**

IT WAS ACCOMPLISHED WHILE MEN WERE HELPLESS,  
SINNERS, AND ENEMIES OF GOD

**You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly... God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us... For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! - Romans 5:6, 8, 10**

**Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation - if you continue in your faith, established and firm, not moved from the hope held out in the gospel. - Colossians 1:21-23**

RECONCILIATION PRODUCED PEACE WITH GOD AND ACCESS TO GOD.

**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. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. - Romans 5:1-2**

**But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ. - Ephesians 2:13**

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## THE REDEEMED

**And a highway will be there; it will be called the Way of holiness. The unclean will not journey on it; it will be for those who walk in that Way; wicked fools will not go about on it... Only the redeemed will walk there, and the ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; everlasting joy will crown their heads. Gladness and joy will overtake them, and sorrow and sighing will flee away. - Isaiah 35:8-10**

**In your unfailing love you will lead the people you have redeemed. In your strength you will guide them to your holy dwelling. - Exodus 15:13**

**The Lord has made proclamation to the ends of the earth: "Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your Savior comes! See, his reward is with him, and his recompense accompanies him.'" They will be called the Holy People, the Redeemed of the Lord. - Isaiah 62:11-12**

**The Lord redeems his servants; no one will be condemned who takes refuge in him. - Psalm 34:22**

**God will redeem my life from the grave; he will surely take me to himself. - Psalm 49:15**

**Praise the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits - who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit. - Psalm 103:2-4**

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say this - those he redeemed from the hand of the foe, those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south. - Psalm 107:1-3**

**Defend my cause and redeem me; preserve my life according to your promise. - Psalm 119:154**

**I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death. - Hosea 13:14**

**This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement through faith in his blood. - Romans 3:24-25**

**Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age. - Galatians 1:4**

**Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us, for it is written: "Cursed is everyone who is hung on a tree." He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit. - Galatians 3:13-15**

**But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. - Galatians 4:5**

**In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. - Ephesians 1:7-8**

**Having 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. - Ephesians 1:13-14**

**Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. - Ephesians 4:30**

**For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. - Colossians 1:13-14**

**It teaches us... to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope - the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good. - Titus 2:12-14**

**For this reason Christ is the mediator of a new covenant, that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance - now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant. - Hebrews 9:15**

**For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. - 1 Peter 1:18-19**

**And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. - Revelation 14:3**

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## REFUGE

**Blessed are all who take refuge in him. - Psalm 2:12**

Note at Psalm 2:12 - from New Scofield NIV Study Bible  
In the New Testament "faith" and "believe" are words which express the same characteristic as the Hebrew expression here (and in Ruth 2:12) rendered "take refuge." It occurs 152 times in the Old Testament, variously translated to trust (Psalm 22:8; 56:3) or to wait for (Job 35:14).

**The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms. - Deuteronomy 33:27**

**May the Lord repay you for what you have done. May you be richly rewarded by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge. - Ruth 2:12**

**You evildoers frustrate the plans of the poor, but the Lord is their refuge. - Psalm 14:6**

**He is my mighty rock, my refuge. Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge. - Psalm 62:7-8**

**God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in trouble. - Psalm 46:1**

**Have mercy on me, O God, have mercy on me, for in you my soul takes refuge. I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed. - Psalm 57:1**

**Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the Lord: he alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God and I trust in Him. - Psalm 91:1-2 NLT**

**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. - Psalm 91:9**

**I cry to you, O Lord; I say, "You are my refuge, my portion in the land of the living." - Psalm 142:5**



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## REIGN ON EARTH

**God blessed them and said to them..."Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground. - Genesis 1:28**

**The Lord will reign for ever and ever. - Exodus 15:18**

**"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the earth." - Jeremiah 23:5**

**He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. - Zechariah 9:10**

**For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. - 1 Corinthians 15:25**

**If we died with him, we will also live with him; if we endure, we will also reign with him. - 2 Timothy 2:11-12**

**To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations - 'He will rule them with an iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery' - just as I have received authority from my Father. - Revelation 2:26-27**

**You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth. - Revelation 5:10**

**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 20:6**

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## REMEMBER ME

**Exodus 20:8**

**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**

**1 Chronicles 16:12**

**Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced.**

**Ecclesiastes 12:1**

**Remember your Creator in the days of your youth, before the days of trouble come and the years approach when you will say, "I find no pleasure in them"**

**Ecclesiastes 12:6**

**Remember him - before the silver cord is severed or the golden bowl is broken.**

**1 Corinthians 11:24**

**The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of Me."**

**1 Corinthians 11:25**

**He took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me. For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes."**

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## REMNANT

**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." (Ezekiel 9:3-4)**

**Unless the Lord Almighty had left us some survivors, we would have become like Sodom, we would have been like Gomorrah. - Isaiah 1:9**

## PROTECTED

**Once more a remnant of the house of Judah will take root below and bear fruit above. For out of Jerusalem will come a remnant, and out of Mount Zion a band of survivors. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. Therefore this is what the Lord says concerning the king of Assyria: "He will not enter this city or shoot an arrow here. He will not come before it with shield or build a siege ramp against it... I will defend this city and save it." - Isaiah 37:31-52**

## SCATTERED

**But I will spare some, for some of you will escape the sword when you are scattered among the lands and nations. Then in the nations where they have been carried captive, those who escape will remember me. - Ezekiel 6:8-9**

## GATHERED

**In that day the remnant of Israel, the survivors of the house of Jacob, will no longer rely on him who struck them down but will truly rely on the Lord, the Holy One of Israel. A remnant will return, a remnant of Jacob will return to the Mighty God. Though your people, O Israel, be like the sand by the sea, only a remnant will return. - Isaiah 10:20-22**

## REPENTANT

**This is what the Lord says: "Sing with joy for Jacob; shout for the foremost of the nations. Many your praises heard, and say, 'O Lord, save your people, the remnant of Israel.' See, I will bring them from the ends of the earth... they will come with weeping; they will pray as I bring them back." Jeremiah 31:7-9**

FORGIVEN

**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**

SAVED

**I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. - Jeremiah 23:3**

**Isaiah cries out concerning Israel: "Though the number of the Israelites be like the sand by the sea, only the remnant will be saved. - Romans 9:27**

A BLESSING

**The remnant of Jacob will be in the midst of many peoples like dew from the Lord, like showers on the grass, which do not wait for man or linger for mankind. The remnant of Jacob will be among the nations, in the midst of many peoples. - Micah 5:7-8**

HOLY

**But I will leave within you the meek and humble, who trust in the name of the Lord. The remnant of Israel will do no wrong; they will speak no lies, nor will deceit be found in their mouths. They will eat and lie down and no one will make them afraid. - Zephaniah 3:12, 13**

ELECTED

**About Elijah - how he appealed to God against Israel: 'Lord, they have killed your prophets and torn down your altars; I am the only one left, and they are trying to kill me.' And what was God's answer to him? "I have reserved for myself seven thousand who have not bowed the knee to Baal." So too, at the present time there is a remnant chosen by grace. - Romans 11:2-5**

REMNANT, SUMMARY:

In the history of Israel a remnant may be discerned, a spiritual Israel within the national Israel.

- In Elijah's time 7000 had not bowed the knee to Baal (1 Kings 19:18).
- In Isaiah's time, Israel had been reduced to only a few godly "survivors" (Isaiah 1:9), for whose sake God still refrained from destroying the nation.
- During the captivities the remnant appears in Jews like Esther, Mordecai, Ezekiel, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.
- At the end of the seventy years of Babylonian captivity it was the remnant that returned under Ezra and Nehemiah.
- At the advent of our Lord, John the Baptist, Simeon, Anna, and those "who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem" (Luke 2:38) were the remnant.
- During the church age the remnant is composed of believing Jews (Romans 11:4-5).
- But an important aspect of the remnant is prophetic. During the great tribulation a remnant out of all Israel will turn to Jesus as Messiah, the "sealed" Israelites of Revelation 7:3-8.
- It is inferred by many students of Scripture that the great multitude of Gentiles of Revelation 7:9 will be saved by the witness of the 144,000 of vv. 3-8. Some of these will undergo martyrdom (Revelation 6:9-11), some will be spared to enter the millennial kingdom (Zechariah 12:6-13:9).

(Scofield NIV Study Bible, p 1446 note on Romans 11:5)

## REPENTANCE

**In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the Desert of Judea and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near... I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire." (Matthew 3:2, 11)**

**Before the coming of Jesus, John preached repentance and baptism to all the people of Israel. (Acts 13:24)**

**From that time on Jesus began to preach, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is near." (Matthew 4:17)**

**Then Jesus began to denounce the cities in which most of his miracles had been performed, because they did not repent. (Matthew 11:20)**

**The men of Nineveh will stand up at the judgment with this generation and condemn it, for they repented at the preaching of Jonah, and now one greater than Jonah is here. (Matthew 12:41)**

**They [disciples] went out and preached that people should repent. (Mark 6:12)**

**Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. (Luke 3:8)**

**Jesus answered them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance." (Luke 5:32)**

**"Woe to you, Korazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the miracles that were performed in you had been performed in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it will be more bearable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment than for you." (Luke 10:13)**

**Unless you repent, you too will all perish. (Luke 13:3)**

**In tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent. (Luke 15:7)**

**"No, Father Abraham," he said, "but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent."**

**He said to them, "If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead," (Luke 16:30-31)**

**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 17:3-4)**

**He told them, This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations. (Luke 24:46-47)**

**Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins." (Acts 2:38)**

**Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Christ, who has been appointed for you - even Jesus. (Acts 3:19-20)**

**God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might give repentance and forgiveness of sins to Israel. (Acts 5:31)**

**Repent of this wickedness and pray to the Lord. Perhaps he will forgive you for having such a thought in your heart. For I see that you are full of bitterness and captive to sin. (Acts 8:22-23)**

**When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, God has granted even the Gentiles repentance unto life." (Acts 11:18)**

**In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. (Acts 17:30)**

**First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and to the Gentiles also, I preached that they should repent and turn to God and prove their repentance by their deeds. (Acts 26:20)**

**Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death. (2 Corinthians 7:10)**

**Those whom I love I rebuke and discipline. So be earnest, and repent. (Revelation 3:19)**

*"Repent" is the translation of a Greek verb *mentanoeo*, meaning *to have another mind, to change the mind*, and is used in the New Testament to indicate a change of mind in respect to sin, God, and self. (From New Scofield NIV Study Bible, pg 1408)*

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## RESCUE

### **1 Thessalonians 1:9-10**

**They tell how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead - Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.**

### **Psalm 35:17**

**O Lord, how long will you look on? Rescue my life from their ravages, my precious life from these lions.**

### **Psalm 69:14**

**Rescue me from the mire, do not let me sink; deliver me from those who hate me, from the deep waters.**

### **Psalm 71:2**

**Rescue me and deliver me in your righteousness; turn your ear to me and save me.**

### **Psalm 71:23 RSV**

**My lips will shout for joy, when I sing praises to thee; my soul also, which thou hast rescued.**

### **Psalm 136:23-24**

**It is he who remembered us in our low estate... and rescued us from our foes, for his steadfast love endures forever.**

### **Proverbs 24:11**

**Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter.**

### **Ezekiel 34:10**

**This is what the Sovereign Lord says: I am against the shepherds and will hold them accountable for my flock... I will rescue my flock from their mouths, and it will no longer be food for them.**

### **Daniel 6:20-21**

**When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?"**

**Daniel answered, "O king, live forever! My God sent his angel, and he shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me.**

### **Acts 12:11 RSV**



**Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I know without a doubt that the Lord sent his angel and rescued me from Herod's clutches and from everything the Jewish people were anticipating.**

**1 Thessalonians 1:10**

**And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead - Jesus, who rescues us from the coming wrath.**

**2 Timothy 4:18**

**The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and will bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom.**

**2 Peter 2:7, 9**

**And if he rescued Lot, a righteous man, who was distressed by the filthy lives of lawless men (for that righteous man, living among them day after day, was tormented in his righteous soul by the lawless deeds he saw and heard) - if this is so, then the Lord knows how to rescue godly men from trials.**

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## REST

### **Jeremiah 6:16**

**Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls.**

### **Exodus 16:29 NCV**

**The Lord has made the Sabbath a day of rest for you. So on the sixth day he will give you enough food for two days, but on the seventh day each of you must stay where you are. Do not go anywhere.**

### **Exodus 20:10 NCV**

**But the seventh day is a day of rest to honor the Lord your God. On that day no one may do any work: not you, your son or daughter, your male or female slaves, your animals, or the foreigners living in your cities.**

### **Exodus 31:15 NLT**

**You have six days each week for your ordinary work, but the seventh day must be a Sabbath day of complete rest, a holy day dedicated to the Lord.**

### **Exodus 31:17**

**It will be a sign between me and the Israelites forever, for in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, and on the seventh day he abstained from work and rested.**

### **Exodus 33:14 NIV**

**The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."**

### **Deuteronomy 12:10 NIV**

**But you will cross the Jordan and settle in the land the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance, and he will give you rest from all your enemies around you so that you will live in safety.**

### **Deuteronomy 33:12**

**Let the beloved of the Lord rest secure in him, for he shields him all day long.**

### **Joshua 21:44 NIV**

**The Lord gave them rest on every side, just as he had sworn to their ancestors. Not one of their enemies withstood them; the Lord gave all their enemies into their hands.**

### **1 Kings 8:56 NIV**

**Praise be to the Lord, who has given rest to his people Israel just as he promised. Not one word has failed of all the good promises he gave through his servant Moses.**

**2 Chronicles 14:7 NIV**

**“Let us build up these towns,” he said to Judah, “and put walls around them, with towers, gates and bars. The land is still ours, because we have sought the Lord our God; we sought him and he has given us rest on every side.” So they built and prospered.**

**2 Chronicles 15:15 NIV**

**All Judah rejoiced about the oath because they had sworn it wholeheartedly. They sought God eagerly, and he was found by them. So the LORD gave them rest on every side.**

**Psalm 23:2-3**

**He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. (Psalm 23:2-3)**

**Psalm 37:7 KJV**

**Rest in the Lord (be still before the Lord), and wait patiently for him; fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.**

**Psalm 91:1-2**

**He that dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, “He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”**

**Isaiah 30:15**

**In returning and rest is your salvation; in quietness and trust is your strength.**

**Jeremiah 6:16 NLT**

**This is what the Lord says: “Stop at the crossroads and look around. Ask for the old, godly way, and walk in it. Travel its path, and you will find rest for your souls.”**

**Matthew 11:28-30**

**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. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.**

**2 Thessalonians 1:7 NLT**

**And God will provide rest for you who are being persecuted and also for us when the Lord Jesus appears from heaven. He will come with his mighty angels, in flaming fire, bringing judgment on those who don't know God and on those who refuse to obey the Good News of our Lord Jesus.**

**Hebrews 4:1**

**Therefore, since the promise of entering his rest still stands, let us be careful that none of you be found to have fallen short of it.**

**Hebrews 4:3 NLT**

**For only we who believe can enter his rest.**

**Hebrews 4:9 NLT**

**So there is a special rest still waiting for the people of God.**

**Hebrews 4:10 NLT**

**For all who have entered God's rest have rested from their labors, just as God did after creating the world.**

**Revelation 14:13**

**And I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Write this down: Blessed are those who die in the Lord from now on. Yes says the Spirit, they are blessed indeed, for they will rest from their hard work for their good deeds follow them!"**

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## RESTORE

Restore - to bring back; to return something to its former condition.

### **Jeremiah 16:15-16**

**“For I will restore them to the land I gave their forefathers. But now I will send for many fishermen,” declares the Lord, “and they will catch them. After that I will send for many hunters, and they will hunt them down on every mountain and hill and from the crevices of the rocks.”**

### **Psalm 23:3**

**He restores my soul.**

### **Psalm 51:12**

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.**

### **Psalm 80:19**

**Restore us, Lord God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.**

### **Psalm 85:4**

**Restore us again, God our Savior, and put away your displeasure toward us.**

### **Jeremiah 30:17**

**“But I will restore you to health and heal your wounds,” declares the Lord.**

### **Jeremiah 31:18**

**Restore me, and I will return, because you are the Lord my God.**

### **Jeremiah 33:11**

**“I will restore the fortunes of the land as they were before,” say the Lord.**

### **Jeremiah 33:26**

**I will restore their fortunes and have compassion on them.**

### **Lamentations 5:21**

**Restore us to yourself, Lord, that we may return; renew our days as of old.**

### **Hosea 6:2**

**After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence.**

### **Joel 2:25**

**I will repay you for the years the locusts have eaten - the great locust and the young locust, the other locusts and the locust swarm - my great army that I sent among you.**

**Matthew 17:11**

**Jesus replied, "To be sure, Elijah comes and will restore all things."**

**Acts 1:6**

**Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority."**

**Acts 3:21**

**Heaven must receive him (Jesus) until the time comes for God to restore everything, as he promised long ago through his holy prophets.**

**1 Peter 5:10**

**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.**

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## RESURRECTION

### RESURRECTION OF CHRIST

#### **1 Corinthians 15:3-5**

**For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance; that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve.**

#### **1 Corinthians 15:20-23**

**But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 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. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.**

### RESURRECTION OF THE LIVING

#### **John 5:28-29**

**Jesus: 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.**

#### **Matthew 27:52-53**

**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.**

#### **1 Thessalonians 4:14-17**

**We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's own word, 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. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who**

are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air

**1 Corinthians 15:50-53**

I declare to you, brothers, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 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.

**Revelation 20:4-6**

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. (The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended). This is the first resurrection. 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.

RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD

**John 5:28-29**

Jesus: 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.

**Revelation 20:5**

The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended.

**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.

RESURRECTION OF THE BODY FORETOLD



**I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God. I myself will see him with my own eyes - I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me! (Job 19:25-27)**

**And I - in righteousness I will see your face; when I awake, I will be satisfied with seeing your likeness. (Psalm 17:15)**

**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)**

**Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake; some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. (Daniel 12:2-3)**

#### RESURRECTION PROCLAIMED BY CHRIST

**At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven. But about the resurrection of the dead - have you not read what God said to you, "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob"? He is not the God of the dead but of the living. (Matthew 22:30-32)**

**And you will be blessed... Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous. (Luke 14:14)**

**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 5:28-29)**

**Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." (John 11:23)**

**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."**

#### THE INTERVAL BETWEEN THE RESURRECTIONS

**They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were ended. This is the first resurrection. (Revelation 20:4-5)**

## JESUS' RESURRECTION MORNING

**After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb... the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said....He has risen from the dead. (Matthew 28:1, 5-7)**

### THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE MORTAL BODY TO THE RESURRECTION BODY

**When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body. (1 Corinthians 15:37-38)**

### THE RESURRECTION BODY WILL BE INCORRUPTIBLE, GLORIOUS, POWERFUL, AND SPIRITUAL

**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 a 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. (1 Corinthians 15:42-44, 49)**

### Philippians 3:20-32

**But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.**

## RESURRECTION TEACHINGS

### Acts 4:2

**They were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead.**

### Acts 17:18

**A group of Epicurean and Stoic philosophers began to dispute with him. Some of them asked, "What is this babbler trying to say?" Others remarked, "He seems to be advocating foreign gods." They said this because Paul was preaching the good news about Jesus and the resurrection.**

### 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.**

**Acts 26:8**

**Why should any of you consider it incredible that God raises the dead?**

**Romans 6:5**

**If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection.**

**Romans 8:11**

**And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.**

**Romans 8:23**

**Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.**

**1 Corinthians 15:3-6**

**For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time.**

**2 Corinthians 4:14**

**We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus from the dead will also raise us with Jesus and present us with you in his presence.**

**Philippians 3:20-21**

**But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.**

**Ephesians 1:13-14**

**And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having 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.**

**Colossians 3:3**

**For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.**

**1 Thessalonians 4:14-17**

**We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him. According to the Lord's own word, 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. For the Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.**

**1 Thessalonians 5:23**

**May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus 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.**

**1 John 3:2**

**Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.**

**OTHER SCRIPTURES ON RESURRECTION**

**Matthew 22:23**

**That same day the Sadducees, who say there is no resurrection, came to him with a question.**

**Matthew 22:30**

**At the resurrection people will neither marry nor be given in marriage; they will be like the angels in heaven. But about the resurrection of the dead - have you not read what God said to you, "I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?" He is not the God of the dead but of the living.**

**Acts 1:22**

**Beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection.**

**Acts 2:31**

**[David] Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay.**

**Acts 23:6**

**[Paul] called out in the Sanhedrin, "My brothers, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee. I stand on trial because of my hope in the resurrection of the dead."**

**Romans 1:4**

**Who as to his human nature was a descendant of David, and who through the Spirit of holiness was declared with power to be the Son of God by his resurrection from the dead: Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Romans 6:5**

**If we have been united with him like this in his death, we will certainly also be united with him in his resurrection.**

**1 Corinthians 15:12-13**

**But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised.**

**Philippians 3:10**

**I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, become like him in his death, and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead.**

**2 Timothy 2:17-18**

**[Hymenaeus and Philitus], who have wandered away from the truth. They say that the resurrection has already taken place, and they destroy the faith of some.**

**Hebrews 11:35**

**Others were tortured and refused to be released, so that they might gain a better resurrection.**

**1 Peter 1:3**

**In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

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## RETURN TO THE LORD

Isaiah 30:15

**In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength. (Isaiah 30:15 NIV)**

**In returning and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength. (Isaiah 30:15 RSV)**

**Only in returning to me and waiting for me will you be saved; in quietness and confidence is your strength. (Isaiah 30:15 TLB)**

**In returning to Me and resting in Me you shall be saved; in quietness and in trusting confidence shall be your strength. (Isaiah 30:15 AMP)**

**If you come back to Me and trust Me, you will be saved. If you will be calm and trust Me, you will be strong. (Psalm 30:15 NCV)**

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**Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the Lord. - Lamentations 3:40**

**But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul. When you are in distress and all these things have happened to you, then in later days you will return to the Lord your God and obey him. For the Lord your God is a merciful God. - Deuteronomy 4:29-30**

**If you return to the Lord, then your brothers and your children will be shown compassion by their captors and will come back to this land, for the Lord your God is gracious and compassionate. He will not turn his face from you if you return to him. - 2 Chronicles 30:9**

**If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the nations, but if you return to me and obey my commands, then even if your exiled people are at the farthest horizon, I will gather them from there and bring them to the place I have chosen as a dwelling for my Name. - Nehemiah 1:8-9**

**"Come now, let us reason together," says the Lord. "though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be**

**like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the best from the land." - Isaiah 1:18**

**Come, let us return to the Lord. He has torn us to pieces but he will heal us; he has injured us but he will bind up our wounds. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence. - Hosea 6:1-2**

**But you must return to your God; maintain love and justice, and wait for your God always. - Hosea 12:6**

**Return, O Israel, to the Lord your God. Your sins have been your downfall! Take words with you and return to the Lord. Say to him: "Forgive all our sins and receive us graciously, that we may offer the fruit of our lips." - Hosea 14:1-2**

**"Even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning." - Joel 2:12**

**"Return, faithless Israel," declares the Lord, "I will frown on you no longer, for I am merciful," declares the Lord. - Jeremiah 3:12**

**"Return, faithless people," declares the Lord, "for I am your husband. I will choose you - one from a town and two from a clan - and bring you to Zion. Then I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will lead you with knowledge and understanding." - Jeremiah 3:14-15**

**Return, faithless people; I will cure you of backsliding. - Jeremiah 3:22**

**"As surely as I live," declares the Sovereign Lord, "I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live." - Ezekiel 33:11**

**Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Christ, who has been appointed for you - even Jesus. -Acts 3:19-20**

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## REVELATION

### REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST

#### **Matthew 16:17**

**"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"**

**Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."**

**Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by man, but by my Father in heaven."**

#### **Luke 2:26**

**It had been revealed to him [Simeon] by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ.**

#### **Luke 17:30**

**It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed.**

#### **John 1:31**

**I [John the Baptist] myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he [Jesus] might be revealed to Israel.**

#### **1 Corinthians 1:7**

**Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.**

#### **2 Thessalonians 1:7**

**This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels.**

#### **Titus 2:12-13 NLT**

**We should live in this evil world with wisdom, righteousness, and devotion to God, while we look forward with hope to that wonderful day when the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, will be revealed.**

#### **1 Peter 1:6-7**

**In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that your faith - of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire - may be proved genuine and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.**

#### **1 Peter 1:13**

**Prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed.**



**1 Peter 4:13**

**But rejoice in so far as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed.**

**Revelation 1:1**

**The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John, who testifies to everything he saw - that is the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ.**

REVELATION OF THE THOUGHTS

**Luke 2:35**

**This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed.**

REVELATION OF THE FATHER

**Luke 10:22**

**All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows who the Son is except the Father, and no one knows who the Father is except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.**

REVELATION OF EVERYTHING

**Luke 12:2**

**There is nothing concealed that will not be disclosed, or hidden that will not be made known.**

REVELATION OF THE ARM OF THE LORD

**John 12:38**

**This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: "Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"**

REVELATION OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FROM GOD

**Psalms 98:2**

**The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.**

**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."**

#### REVELATION OF THE WRATH OF GOD

**Romans 1:18**

**The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness.**

#### REVELATION OF THE SONS OF GOD

**Romans 8:19**

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

#### REVELATION OF GLORY

**Isaiah 40:5**

**And the glory of the Lord will be revealed, and all mankind together will see it. For the mouth of the Lord has spoken it.**

**Romans 8:18**

**I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us.**

#### REVELATION OF WHAT GOD HAS PREPARED FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM

**1 Corinthians 2:10**

**It is written: "No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him" - but God has revealed it to us by his Spirit.**

#### REVELATION OF EACH MAN'S WORK

**1 Corinthians 3:13**

**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.**

REVELATION OF PROPHETIC WORDS

**Isaiah 22:14**

**The Lord Almighty has revealed this in my hearing: "Till your dying day this sin will not be atoned for," says the Lord, the Lord Almighty.**

**1 Corinthians 14:29-31**

**Two or three prophets should speak, and the others should weigh carefully what is said. And if a revelation comes to someone who is sitting down, the first speaker should stop. For you can all prophesy in turn so that everyone may be instructed and encouraged.**

REVELATION OF THE GOSPEL

**Galatians 1:11-12**

**I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel I preached is not something that man made up. I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ.**

REVELATION OF CHRIST IN HIS PEOPLE

**Galatians 1:15-16**

**But when God, who set me apart from birth and called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son in me so that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not consult any man.**

REVELATION OF HIS PLAN

**Amos 3:7**

**Surely the Sovereign Lord does nothing without revealing his plan to his servants the prophets.**

**Galatians 2:1-2 NLT**

**Then fourteen years later I went back to Jerusalem again, this time with Barnabas; and Titus came along, too. I went there because God revealed to me that I should go.**

REVELATION OF HIS MESSAGE

**Colossians 1:25-26 NLT**

**God has given me the responsibility of serving his church by proclaiming his entire message to you. This message was kept secret for centuries and generations past, but now it has been revealed to God's people.**

REVELATION OF THE MAN OF LAWLESSNESS

**2 Thessalonians 2:3**

**Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction.**

REVELATION OF THE MYSTERY OF CHRIST

**Romans 16:25**

**Now to him who is able to establish you by my gospel and the proclamation of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery hidden for long ages past, but now revealed and made known through the prophetic writing by the command of the eternal God, so that all nations might believe and obey him - to the only wise God be glory forever through Jesus Christ! Amen.**

**Ephesians 3:3**

**In reading this, then, you will be able to understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which was not made known to men in other generations as it has now been revealed by the Spirit to God's holy apostles and prophets.**

REVELATION OF THE GRACE OF GOD

**Ephesians 3:2**

**Surely you have heard about the administration of God's grace that was given to me for you, that is, the mystery made known to me by revelation, as I have already written briefly.**

**Titus 2:11 RSV**

**For the grace of God has been revealed, bringing salvation to all people.**

REVEALS HIS THOUGHTS TO MAN

**Amos 4:13**

**He who forms the mountains, creates the wind, and reveals his thoughts to man, he who turns dawn to darkness, and treads the high places of the earth - the Lord Almighty is his name.**

REVELATION OF THE LORD'S SALVATION

**Psalm 98:2**

**The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.**

REVELATION OF THE THINGS REVEALED

**Deuteronomy 29:29**

**The secret things belong to the Lord our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our children forever, that we may follow all the words of this law.**

REVELATION THROUGH HIS WORD

**1 Samuel 3:21, 4:1**

**The Lord continued to appear at Shiloh, and there he revealed himself to Samuel through his word. And Samuel's word came to all Israel.**

REVELATION OF MYSTERIES

**Daniel 2:19**

**During the night the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a vision. Then Daniel praised the God of heaven.**

**Daniel 2:27, 29-30**

**Daniel replied, "No wise man, enchanter, magician or diviner can explain to the king the mystery he has asked about, but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries... As you were lying there, O king, your mind turned to things to come, and the revealer of mysteries showed you what is going to happen. As for me, this mystery has been revealed to me.**

REVELATION TO LITTLE CHILDREN

**Matthew 11:25**

**At that time Jesus said, "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure."**

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## REVIVE

**Psalm 19:7 RSV**

**The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul.**

**Psalm 85:6**

**Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?**

**Psalm 138:7 KJV**

**Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me; thou shalt stretch forth thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and thy right hand shall save me.**

**Isaiah 57:15 RSV**

**For thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble, and to revive the heart of the contrite."**

**Hosea 6:2-3**

**After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will restore us, that we may live in his presence.**

## REWARDS FOR OVERCOMERS

### **Revelation 2:7**

**To him who overcomes, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God.**

### **Revelation 2:11**

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

### **Revelation 2:17**

**To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it.**

### **Revelation 2:26**

**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 3:5**

**He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out his name from the book of life, but will acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels.**

### **Revelation 3:12**

**Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it. 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 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.**

## SUMMARY

- Right to eat from the tree of life
- Not be hurt at all by the second death
- Given some of the hidden manna
- Given a white stone with a new name written on it
- Given authority over the nations
- Given the morning star
- Be dressed in white
- Never blot out his name from the book of life

- Acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels
- Make a pillar in the temple of my God
- Write on him the name of my God
- Write on him the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem
- Write on him my new name
- Right to sit with me on my throne



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## REWARDS

**Ruth 2:12 NIV**

May you be *richly rewarded* by the Lord, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to take refuge.

**Ruth 2:12 KJV**

The Lord recompense thy work, and *a full reward* be given thee of the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.

**1 Samuel 2:30**

Those who honor me, *I will honor.*

**2 Chronicles 15:7**

But as for you, be strong and do not give up, for *your work will be rewarded.*

**Psalms 16:6**

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*.

**Psalms 16:11**

You have made known to me the *path of life*; you will fill me with *joy in your presence*, with *eternal pleasures at your right hand*.

**Psalms 17:15**

And I—in righteousness I will *see your face*; when I awake, I will *be satisfied with seeing your likeness*.

**Psalms 19:11**

By them [ordinances of the Lord] is your servant warned; in keeping them there is *great reward*.

**Psalms 37:4**

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will *give you the desires of your heart*.

**Psalms 37:5**

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust in him and he will do this: He will *make your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the noonday sun*.

**Psalms 37:18**

The days of the blameless are known to the Lord, and *their inheritance will endure forever*.

**Psalm 65:4a**

What *joy* for those you choose to bring near, those who *live in your holy courts*.

**Psalm 112:1,3**

Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands....*Wealth and riches* are in his house, and *his righteousness endures forever*.

**Psalm 128:1-2**

Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways. You will *eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours*.

**Proverbs 2:1-8**

My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding, and if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you *will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God*. For the Lord gives *wisdom*, and from his mouth come *knowledge and understanding*. He holds *victory* in store for the upright, he is a *shield* to those whose walk is blameless, for he *guards the course of the just and protects the way of his faithful ones*.

**Proverbs 3:16-18**

*Long life* is in her (Wisdom's) right hand; in her left hand are *riches and honor*. Her ways are *pleasant ways*, and all her paths are *peace*. She is the *tree of life* to those who embrace her; those who lay hold of her *will be blessed*.

**Proverbs 3:32**

The Lord ... *takes the upright into his confidence*.

**Proverbs 3:32 KJV**

*His secret* is with the righteous.

**Proverbs 8:17-21**

I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me. With me are *riches and honor, enduring wealth and prosperity*. My fruit is *better than fine gold*; what I yield *surpasses choice silver*. I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing *wealth* on those who love me and making *their treasuries full*.

**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*.

**Proverbs 9:12**

If you are wise, your wisdom will *reward you*.

**Proverbs 10:6**

*Blessings* crown the head of the righteous

**Proverbs 10:22**

The blessing of the Lord brings *wealth*, and he adds no trouble to it.

**Proverbs 10:24**

*What the righteous desire* will be granted.

**Proverbs 11:18**

He who sows righteousness reaps *a sure reward*.

**Proverbs 13:9**

The *light of the righteous shines brightly*.

**Proverbs 13:13b**

He who respects a command is *rewarded*.

**Proverbs 13:21**

*Prosperity* is the reward of the righteous.

**Proverbs 21:21**

He who pursues righteousness and love finds *life, prosperity and honor*.

**Proverbs 22:4**

Humility and the fear of the Lord bring *wealth and honor and life*.

**Proverbs 25:21-22**

If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat; if he is thirsty, give him water to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head, and the Lord will *reward you*.

**Proverbs 28:20**

A faithful man shall *abound with blessings*.

**Isaiah 3:10**

Tell the righteous it will be well with them, for they will *enjoy the fruit of their deeds*.

**Isaiah 51:11**

The ransomed of the Lord will return. They will enter Zion with singing; *everlasting joy* will crown their heads. *Gladness and joy* will overtake them, and *sorrow and sighing will flee away*.

**Isaiah 62:3**

You will be a *crown of splendor* in the Lord's hand, a *royal diadem* in the hand of your God.

**Malachi 3:16-17**

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 (jewels).*"

**Malachi 4:1-2**

Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace...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.

**Matthew 5:12**

Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because *great is your reward in heaven,* for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

**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 6:6**

But you, when you pray, go into your room, and when you have shut your door, pray to your Father who is in the secret place; and *your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly.*

**Matthew 6:17-18**

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 6:19-21**

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 10:41-42**

Anyone who receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive *a prophet's reward*, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive *a righteous man's reward*. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he *will certainly not lose his reward*.

**Matthew 16:27**

For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then *He will reward each according to his works*.

**Matthew 6:33**

Therefore do not worry, saying, "What shall we eat?" Or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?"....But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and *all these things shall be added to you*.

**Matthew 19:29**

And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name's sake, *shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life*.

**Matthew 19:30**

But many who are first will be last, and the last *first*.

**Matthew 25:23**

His lord said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you *ruler over many things*. Enter into *the joy of your lord*."

**Mark 9:41**

For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, *he will by no means lose his reward*.

**Luke 6:22-23**

Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you, and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of Man's sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed *your reward is great in heaven*.

**Luke 6:35**

But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and *your reward will be great*, and you will be *sons of the Most High*. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil.

**Luke 6:38**

Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For *with the measure you use, it will be measured to you*.

**Luke 14:12-14**

Then He also said to him who invited Him, “When you give a dinner or a supper, do not ask your friends, your brothers, your relatives, nor rich neighbors, lest they also invite you back, and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind. And you will *be blessed*, because they cannot repay you, for you shall *be repaid at the resurrection of the just.*”

**John 4:36**

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 5:28-29**

Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice and come forth—those who have done good, to the *resurrection of life*, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.

**John 12:26**

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 14:2-3**

In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and *receive you to Myself*; that were I am, there you may be also.

**Romans 4:4, 5, 16**

Now when a man works, his wages are not credited to him as a gift, but as an obligation. However, to the man who does not work but trusts God who justifies the wicked, his faith is credited as *righteousness*...Therefore, the promise comes by faith, so that it may be by grace and may be guaranteed to all Abraham’s offspring—not only to those who are of the law but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham.

**Romans 14:10-12**

For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ. For it is written: “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to Me, and every tongue shall confess to God.” So then each of us shall *give account of himself to God.*

**1 Corinthians 4:5**

Therefore judge nothing before the time, until the Lord comes, who will both bring to light the hidden things of darkness and reveal the counsels of the hearts. Then each one’s *praise will come from God.*

**1 Corinthians 2:9**

Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man *the things which God has prepared for those who love Him.*

**1 Corinthians 3:8**

Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each one will receive *his own reward according to his own labor.*

**1 Corinthians 3:12**

If any man builds on this foundation [Jesus Christ] 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 Corinthians 9:25**

Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get *a crown that will last forever.*

**1 Corinthians 15:58 NIV**

Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that *your labor in the Lord is not in vain.*

**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!

**2 Corinthians 5:10**

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may *receive the things done in the body*, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.

**2 Corinthians 9:6, 10**

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also *reap sparingly*, and whoever sows generously will also *reap generously*...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.*

**Galatians 6:7-9**

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit *will of the Spirit reap everlasting life*. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

**Ephesians 5:15-17**

See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but *understand what the will of the Lord is*.

**Philippians 2:14-16**

Do everything without grumbling or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, "Children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation." Then you *will shine among them like stars in the sky* as you hold firmly to the word of life.

**Philippians 3:20-21**

But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will *transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like His glorious body*.

**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.

**1 Thessalonians 2:19**

For what is our hope, our joy, or *the crown in which we will glory in the presence of our Lord Jesus* when he comes? Is it not you? Indeed, you are our glory and joy.

**1 Timothy 6:17-19**

Command those who are rich in this present age...Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, storing up for themselves *a good foundation for the time to come*, that they may *lay hold on eternal life*.

**2 Timothy 2:5**

Similarly, if anyone competes as an athlete, he does not receive *the victor's crown* unless he competes according to the rules.

**2 Timothy 4:8**

Finally, there is laid up for me the *crown of righteousness*, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on the Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing.

**Hebrews 11:6**

And 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*.

**James 1:12**

Blessed is the man who perseveres under trial, because when he has stood the test, he will receive *the crown of life* that God has promised to those who love him.



**James 4:8**

Come near to God and *he will come near to you.*

**1 Peter 5:2-4**

Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly; nor as being lords over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock; and when the Chief Shepherd appears, you *will receive the crown of glory* that does not fade away.

**2 John 8**

Watch out that you do not lose *what you have worked for*, but that you may be *rewarded fully.*

**Revelation 2:7**

To him who overcomes, I will give *the right to eat from the tree of life*, which is in the paradise of God.

**Revelation 2:10**

Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you the *crown of life.*

**Revelation 2:11**

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

**Revelation 2:17**

To him who overcomes, I will give *some of the hidden manna*. I will also give him a *white stone with a new name written on it*, known only to him who receives it.

**Revelation 2:26, 28**

To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will *give authority over the nations*...I will also give him *the morning star.*

**Revelation 3:4**

Yet you have a few people in Sardis who have not soiled their clothes. They will *walk with me, dressed in white*, for they are worthy.

**Revelation 3:5**

He who overcomes will, like them, be dressed in white. I will *never blot out his name from the book of life*, but will *acknowledge his name before my Father and his angels.*

**Revelation 3:8**

I know your deeds. See, I have *placed before you an open door* that no one can shut.

**Revelation 3:10**

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.

**Revelation 3:12**

Him who overcomes I will *make a pillar in the temple of my God*. Never again will he leave it. I will write on him *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 3:20**

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 3:21**

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.

**Revelation 11:18**

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 great and small—and for destroying those who destroy the earth.

**Revelation 20:12**

And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were *judged according to their words, by the things which were written in the books*.

**Revelation 22:3b, 4, 5b**

His servants shall *serve Him*. They shall *see His face*, and *His name shall be on their foreheads*. They shall *reign forever and ever*.

**Revelation 22:12**

Behold, I am coming quickly, and *My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work*.

## RIGHTEOUS ESCAPING JUDGMENT

### **Genesis 18:25**

**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?**

### **Genesis 19:22**

**But flee there quickly, because I cannot do anything until you reach it.**

### **Genesis 19:29**

**So when God destroyed the cities of the plain, he remembered Abraham, and he brought Lot out of the catastrophe that overthrew the cities where Lot had lived.**

### **Exodus 12:23**

**When the Lord goes through the land to strike down the Egyptians, he will see the blood on the top and sides of the doorframe and will pass over that doorway, and he will not permit the destroyer to enter your houses and strike you down.**

### **Ezekiel 14:13-14**

**If a country sins against me by being unfaithful and I stretch out my hand against it to cut off its food supply and send famine upon it and kill its men and their animals, even if these three men - Noah, Daniel, and Job - were in it, they could only save themselves by their righteousness, declares the Sovereign Lord.**

### **Daniel 11:41**

**He will also invade the Beautiful Land. Many countries will fall, but Edom, Moab and the leaders of Ammon will be delivered from his hand.**

### **Luke 21:21-22**

**Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written.**

### **Hebrews 11:7**

**By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.**

### **Hebrews 11:31**

**By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient.**

**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.**

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## RIGHTEOUS VERSUS WICKED

**Psalm 45:7**

**You love righteousness and hate wickedness; therefore God, your God, has set you above your companions by anointing you with the oil of joy.**

**Proverbs 10:3**

**The Lord does not let the righteous go hungry, but he thwarts the craving of the wicked.**

**Proverbs 10:6**

**Blessings crown the head of the righteous, but violence overwhelms the mouth of the wicked.**

**Proverbs 10:7**

**The memory of the righteous will be a blessing, but the name of the wicked will rot.**

**Proverbs 10:11**

**The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life, but violence overwhelms the mouth of the wicked.**

**Proverbs 10:16**

**The wages of the righteous bring them life, but the income of the wicked brings them punishment.**

**Proverbs 10:20**

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

**Proverbs 10:24**

**What the wicked dreads will overtake him; what the righteous desire will be granted.**

**Proverbs 10:25**

**When the storm has swept by, the wicked are gone, but the righteous stand firm forever.**

**Proverbs 10:28**

**The prospect of the righteous is joy, but the hopes of the wicked come to nothing.**

**Proverbs 10:30**

**The righteous will never be uprooted, but the wicked will not remain in the land.**

**Proverbs 10:32**

**The lips of the righteous know what is fitting, but the mouth of the wicked only what is perverse.**

**Proverbs 11:5**

**The righteousness of the blameless makes a straight way for them, but the wicked are brought down by their own wickedness.**

**Proverbs 11:6**

**The righteousness of the upright delivers them, but the unfaithful are trapped by evil desires.**

**Proverbs 11:8**

**The righteous man is rescued from trouble, and it comes on the wicked instead.**

**Proverbs 11:10**

**When the righteous prosper, the city rejoices; when the wicked perish, there are shouts of joy.**

**Proverbs 11:11**

**Through the blessing of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is destroyed.**

**Proverbs 11:18**

**The wicked man earns deceptive wages, but he who sows righteousness reaps a sure reward.**

**Proverbs 11:21**

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

**Proverbs 11:23**

**The desire of the righteous ends only in good, but the hope of the wicked only in wrath.**

**Proverbs 12:3**

**A man cannot be established through wickedness, but the righteous cannot be uprooted.**

**Proverbs 12:5**

**The plans of the righteous are just, but the advice of the wicked is deceitful.**

**Proverbs 12:6**

**The words of the wicked lie in wait for blood, but the speech of the upright rescues them.**

**Proverbs 12:7**

**Wicked men are overthrown and are no more, but the house of the righteous stands firm.**

**Proverbs 12:10**

**A righteous man cares for the needs of his animal, but the kindest acts of the wicked are cruel.**

**Proverbs 12:12**

**The wicked desire the plunder of evil men, but the root of the righteous flourishes.**

**Proverbs 12:17**

**A truthful witness gives honest testimony, but a false witness tells lies.**

**Proverbs 12:21**

**No harm befalls the righteous, but the wicked have their fill of trouble.**

**Proverbs 12:26**

**A righteous man is cautious in friendship, but the way of the wicked leads them astray.**

**Proverbs 13:5**

**The righteous hate what is false, but the wicked bring shame and disgrace.**

**Proverbs 13:6**

**Righteousness guards the man of integrity, but wickedness overthrows the sinner.**

**Proverbs 13:9**

**The light of the righteous shines brightly, but the lamp of the wicked is snuffed out.**

**Proverbs 13:21**

**Misfortune pursues the sinner, but prosperity is the reward of the righteous.**

**Proverbs 13:25**

**The righteous eat to their hearts' content, but the stomach of the wicked goes hungry.**

**Proverbs 14:11**

**The house of the wicked will be destroyed, but the tent of the upright will flourish.**

**Proverbs 15:6**

**The house of the righteous contains great treasure, but the income of the wicked brings them trouble.**

**Proverbs 15:9**

**The Lord detests the way of the wicked, but he loves those who pursue righteousness.**

**Proverbs 15:26**

**The Lord detests the thoughts of the wicked, but those of the pure are pleasing to him.**

**Proverbs 15:28**

**The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil.**

**Proverbs 15:29**

**The Lord is far from the wicked but he hears the prayer of the righteous.**

**Daniel 12:2**

**Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake; some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt.**

**Matthew 13:49**

**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 25:34, 40**

**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...I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."**

**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...I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me."**

**John 5:28-29**

**[Jesus]: 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.**

**1 Peter 4:5**

**But they will have to give account to him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. For this is the reason the gospel was preached even to those who are now dead, so that they might be judged according to men in regard to the body, but live according to God in regard to the spirit.**