

# Feeling Unworthy

## Pressing Forward to the High Calling

Rohne! and Peter, the servants of Jesus Christ, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, *and* called: Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.

Rom 15:5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

Rom 15:6 That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Psa 135:20 Bless the LORD, O house of Levi: ye that fear the LORD, bless the LORD.

Psa 135:21 Blessed be the LORD out of Zion, which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ye the LORD.

### Keep My Commandments

Psa 78:5 For he established a testimony in Jacob [Christ's sons], and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers, that they should make them known to their children:

Psa 78:6 That the generation to come might know *them*, even the children *which* should be born; *who* should arise and declare *them* to their children:

Psa 78:7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:

Psa 78:8 And might not be as their fathers [our previous mindsets], a stubborn and rebellious generation; a generation *that* set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not

stedfast with God.

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Joh 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

### **Feeling unworthy of God's Choosing**

Having the breadth, depth, and height of our sinful nature shown to us is integral in the process of salvation that God has ordained from before the foundation of the world. All flesh is sin, and we all come into this world in a marred vessel of clay, born of a woman, and this vessel of clay IS not inheriting the kingdom of God.

Psa 51:5 Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

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

1Co 15:50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

There is no human being who is righteous apart from Christ. There is none, not even one, that does good.

Isa 64:6 But we are all as an unclean *thing*, and all our righteousnesses *are* as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away.

Isa 64:7 And *there is* none that calleth upon thy name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee: for thou hast hid thy face from us, and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.

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

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Rom 3:10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

Rom 3:11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.

Rom 3:12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

Being chosen and being made faithful in the Day of the Lord means we, the sons of God, are the first to be judged. Judgment begins at the house of God, spiritual Jerusalem, the place where the Lord chooses to put His Name. His Holy Name is His Commandments. After we hear the true Gospel, judgment IS come on our house. Think within, the ungodly is within us.

1Pe 4:17 For the time *is come* that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if *it first begin* at us, what shall the end *be* of them that obey not the gospel of God?

2Pe 2:4 For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell, and delivered *them* into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;

2Pe 2:9 The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment to be punished:

2Pe 3:7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

This process of judgment requires that our sinful nature and totally wretched being as carnal men walking after our own lusts [thought processes], after our own lies and idols of the heart in marred vessels of clay be exposed to us. In the OT shadows, Christ tells us that we walk in our own uprightness,

that is to say, we walk with our own ideas about God, Christ, salvation, and so forth, enflaming ourselves under every green tree. Christmas, a tradition of men, is one example of enflaming ourselves under every green tree. Please refer to the study [Keeping Days, Times, Months, and Years](#), on the [truthinscripture.com](http://truthinscripture.com) website for more on this topic.

Isa 57:2 He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, *each one* walking *in* his uprightness.

Isa 57:3 But draw near hither, ye sons of the sorceress, the seed of the adulterer and the whore.

Isa 57:4 Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, *and* draw out the tongue? *are* ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood,

Isa 57:5 Enflaming yourselves with idols under every green tree, slaying the children in the valleys under the cliffs of the rocks?

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1Jn 5:19 *And* we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.

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

1Jn 5:21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

True sons of God at times question their worthiness to be God's sons. The sins that so easily beset us cause us to think we are not worthy, and this is true; we are not worthy. Christ causes us to fall and to rise again. He is the author and finisher of our faith.

Pro 24:16 For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up

again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

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Heb 12:1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset *us*, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us,

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of *our* faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Yet being God's sons has nothing to do with our own righteousness, and none of it is based on merit of any kind. Being God's children is based on God's choosing us before the world was made, declaring the end from the beginning. Being called by our names from before the beginning of the world is the election of grace that Paul speaks about in Romans 11.

Isa 46:9 Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,

Isa 46:10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

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

Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

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

No man is justified by their own works, or by their own obedience. All is of faith and being made obedient through many trials and tribulations. This is the free gift from God, the Father, through Christ, His firstborn Son.

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

Eph 2:9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

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

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

Rom 3:21 But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets;

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

Rom 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

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

The righteous walk by faith and not by sight. The only way anyone is going to be righteous in a sinful body of flesh is

by being implanted with the precious gift of the faith of Christ. This is the Comforter or Holy Spirit living within us, which comes to us on our third spiritual Day.

Isa 49:1 Listen, O isles, unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far; The LORD hath called me from the womb; from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name.

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Joh 14:20 At that day ye shall know that I *am* in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

Joh 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

All of those called by God through Christ and chosen to be God's sons in this age and in the ages since Christ do not feel worthy at times. Even the prophet, Isaiah, felt unworthy when he entered the throne room.

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

Isa 6:6 Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

Isa 6:7 And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

Moses, the friend of God and faithful servant in his house, also, when called and given his commission, did not feel worthy of his calling. Both examples are OT shadows of us because we live these words [Matt 4:4].

Exo 4:10 And Moses said unto the LORD, O my Lord, I *am* not eloquent, neither heretofore, nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant: but I *am* slow of speech, and of a slow tongue.

And the Lord answered, telling us that He is working all things as the Potter.

Exo 4:11 And the LORD said unto him, Who hath made man's mouth? or who maketh the dumb, or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind? have not I the LORD?

The Scriptures declare that God's ways are not our ways and that those He chooses confound the wisdom of wise men who walk after the flesh. Christ's people do not conform to the wisdom of this world. Saul of Tarsus is an example. He was not well presented in the flesh, but mighty in Spirit in his letters.

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

Isa 55:9 For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

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1Co 1:27 But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;

1Co 1:28 And base things of the world, and things which are despised, hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

1Co 1:29 That no flesh should glory in his presence.

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2Co 10:10 For *his* letters, say they, *are* weighty and powerful; but *his* bodily presence *is* weak, and *his* speech



contemptible.

The battle we all have against sin is one God gives us. Christ is working all the sins, trials, and temptations in our lives. He is the Potter, we are the clay. We come to understand and to believe that God is working all things in our lives as time goes by. At first, we do not fully comprehend the Lord's breadth and depth of His sovereignty.

Pro 16:4 The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil.

Amo 3:6 Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done it?

Lam 3:37-38 Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not? Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good?

Isa 45:7 I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.

Evil in the city is not just the evil out there in the world; it is the evil in the cities and nations that make up the kingdom of God within us. Think spiritually, Christ's words are spiritual [John 6:63]. Christ creates evil, and vengeance belongs to Him.

Psa 54:5 He shall reward evil unto mine enemies: cut them off in thy truth.

Psa 78:49 He cast upon them the fierceness of his anger, wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels *among them*. [Israel]

Rom 12:19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

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2Th 1:6 Seeing *it is* a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;

2Th 1:7 And to you who are troubled rest with us, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,

2Th 1:8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Christ hardens our hearts by His design. We of ourselves can do nothing. Pharaoh is a type of us.

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

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

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Rom 9:15 For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

Rom 9:16 So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.

Rom 9:17 For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth.

Rom 9:18 Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth.

Yet salvation is a process. Many are called, and only few are chosen and being made faithful to be judged in this life and to have salvation come to them now, while still in these marred vessels of clay. Salvation comes to us only by the process of judgment against our carnal nature. There is no other way.

1Pe 4:17 For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

Isa 26:9 With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for when thy judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world will learn righteousness.

Rev 15:8 And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.

There is a time and season for everything in our lives as Christ teaches and molds us via His fiery process in the Day of the Lord in the Lake of Fire. Those not found in the Book of Life and cast into the Lake of Fire are those ungodly and carnal thoughts that exalt themselves against Christ, the Word of the Father. Think within.

Ecc 3:1 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

Rev 20:15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

These various times and seasons include us being overcome and snared in besetting sins. This is part of God's way of humbling us and showing us that of ourselves we can do nothing. Christ is raising the storms and trials of life, and He is also calming them [present tense]. We are being brought

to our wits' end, and give up on the flesh to save ourselves, and have no place to go but to cry out to our Saviour.

Psa 107:25 For he commandeth, and raiseth the stormy wind, which lifteth up the waves thereof.

Psa 107:26 They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble.

Psa 107:27 They reel to and fro, and stagger like a drunken man, and are at their wits' end.

Psa 107:28 Then they cry unto the LORD in their trouble, and he bringeth them out of their distresses.

Psa 107:29 He maketh the storm a calm, so that the waves thereof are still.

We err and harden our hearts by God's design. The Lord gives us over to delusion and gives us a perverse spirit. Christ does this so that He can make us again after His own image.

Isa 19:14 The LORD hath mingled a perverse spirit in the midst thereof: and they have caused Egypt to err in every work thereof, as a drunken *man* staggereth in his vomit.

Isa 63:17 O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.

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

2Th 2:11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

Salvation requires the Lord to make two vessels. Flesh and blood were never intended to enter the kingdom of God. The first Adam makes way for the last Adam, the Lord from heaven.

Jer 18:3 Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.

Jer 18:4 And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter: so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

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1Co 15:47 The first man *is* of the earth, earthy: the second man *is* the Lord from heaven.

1Co 15:48 As *is* the earthy, such *are* they also that are earthy: and as *is* the heavenly, such *are* they also that are heavenly.

1Co 15:49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

Being aware of our sins is a blessing given to few. Those to whom the Lord chooses cry out about their sins and abominations within them, within their cities, that cry out to their Maker.

Eze 9:4 And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

Luk 18:13 And the publican, standing afar off, would not lift up so much as *his* eyes unto heaven, but smote upon his breast, saying, God be merciful to me a sinner.

When we are made aware of our sins and made to feel horrible about them, this is all God's work. He is bringing us to our wits' end as we saw in Psalm 107 above. We, as the true circumcision of our hearts, come to the point where we have no confidence in our flesh.

Php 3:3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the

spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.

Knowing the Lord in Spirit and in Truth, we learn that only the Commandments of Christ are saving us from our sins [carnal thoughts and idols of the heart].

2Co 10:3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

2Co 10:4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

2Co 10:5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

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2Ti 2:19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

The judgment of God slays the natural man within us, and the new man is being saved and been raised in Power [the Commandments of Christ]. Christ speaks about this often: we, the beast, the carnal man of sin, is the abomination that is causing the desolation in the temple of God.

Jer 2:7 And I brought you into a plentiful land to enjoy its fruits and its good things. But when you came in, you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination.

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Mat 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Mat 24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the

mountains:

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Luk 16:15 And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men [our carnal minds] is an abomination in the sight of God.

Salvation does not come to us until we first fall away, are ensnared in many sins and lusts, and have our man of sin revealed. Forsaking the Commandments, we leave Christ, our first love, thus giving the Lord the occasion to come again for salvation apart from sin.

2Th 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

2Th 2:4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

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Rev 2:4 Nevertheless I have *somewhat* against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

Rev 2:5 Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

When the Lord shows us our man of sin and the abomination of desolation in His Temple, we are blessed, as seeing our sin is the first step to overcoming them. Our hearts are being turned back to the Lord, and our sins are being discovered by the light of the Gospel now shining in our hearts. It is the Lord working all things to bring about the counsel of His will.

Psa 90:3 Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest, Return, ye children of men.

Psa 90:8 Thou hast set our iniquities before thee, our secret sins in the light of thy countenance.

We have seen that there is nothing good in man and that we have to be made over through the Commandments of Christ to be circumcised in heart. Feeling unworthy, being humbled, and not exalting ourselves are part of the process. When we are given to understand the process, we lift our heads and reach out to what is set before us. We do not look back, like Lot's wife, and do our best to enter into the kingdom of God. One day at a time.

Jer 4:4 Circumcise yourselves to the LORD; remove the foreskin of your hearts, O men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem; lest my wrath go forth like fire, and burn with none to quench it, because of the evil of your deeds."

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Php 3:13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but *this* one thing *I do*, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,

Php 3:14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

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Heb 12:11 Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous, but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are exercised thereby.

Heb 12:12 Wherefore lift up the hands which hang down, and the feeble knees;



Heb 12:13 And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.

Getting the giants out of the land takes time. God delivers us little by little as we grow in faith and knowledge of Christ and His grace.

Exo 23:29 I will not drive them out from before thee in one year; lest the land become desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.

Exo 23:30 By little and little I will drive them out from before thee, until thou be increased, and inherit the land.

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Col 1:10 That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God;

Col 1:11 Strengthened with all might, according to his glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;

Col 1:12 Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

At first, all sons of God struggle to overcome the flesh. It can only be done by the Power [Comforter] of God. We take comfort in knowing that the world, our carnal minds, with the lusts thereof, is passing away as time goes by. Think spiritually, Christ is faithful to His promises.

Joh 16:33 These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

1Jn 2:17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof:

but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Rev 15:2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, *and* over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

Paul tells us what is causing us to sin. We are created this way from the beginning.

Rom 7:15 For that which I do I allow not: for what I would, that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.

Rom 7:16 If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that [it is] good.

Rom 7:17 Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

Rom 7:18 For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but [how] to perform that which is good I find not.

Rom 7:19 For the good that I would I do not: but the evil which I would not, that I do.

Rom 7:20 Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.

Rom 7:21 I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

Christ put the law of sin and death in us. Even our sins are caused by the Potter. There is only one Lawgiver.

Isa 33:22 For the LORD *is* our judge, the LORD *is* our lawgiver, the LORD *is* our king; he will save us.

Jas 4:12 There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy: who art thou that judgest another?

Thus, feeling unworthy at times gets replaced by knowing that everything is perfect as it should be TODAY and every day as we live the words of the Book. We have need of patience as we seek and wait on the Lord to come and save us. Christ is the I AM, and we live the Book TODAY with all of its good, evil, and that which is perfect.

Gen 15:1 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I *am* thy shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward.

Joh 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.

Heb 4:7 Again, he limiteth a certain day, saying in David, To day, after so long a time; as it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

We are sober and vigilant, watching not to enter into temptation every day. But when we do enter into temptation, we flee to the mountain which is Christ, the Word of Grace. We are being delivered from sin in our lives according to God's schedule. We take great comfort in this.

Mat 24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

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Rom 8:20 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope,

Rom 8:21 Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

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Rom 10:4 For Christ *is* the end of the law for righteousness

to every one that believeth.

Believe in the report of Isaiah and in the salvation of all men [the lies within us] and the men without in their time of visitation by the Lord. Think spiritually.

Isa 53:1 Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed?

Isa 53:2 For he shall grow up before him as a tender plant, and as a root out of a dry ground: he hath no form nor comeliness; and when we shall see him, *there is* no beauty that we should desire him.

Isa 53:3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were *our* faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Christ is our only Hope, even when we feel unworthy. We are created to manifest God's Glory, and it happens in the appointed time.

Col 1:27 To whom God would make known what *is* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

As we go from glory to glory [obedience to obedience], the Lord doing all, our confidence being a son of God, replaces the feelings of unworthiness. We repent of our sins, yes, but we have great peace and thankfulness towards our Creator, doing wondrous things in our lives.

Psa 105:2 Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous works.

Psa 105:3 Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

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Psa 119:18 Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law.

We do not turn the grace and patience of our Lord into a license to sin. We strive and work out our own salvation with fear and trembling to the wonderful works of our Maker. Remember to know and obey the Commandments of our Lord Christ, Jesus.

Receive ye the Gospel, receive ye the Holy Spirit.

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## A New Commandment

### Love One Another, as Christ Loves

Rohnele, and my beloved husband, Peter, angels and servants of God and Christ, unto the little children scattered in the world beloved of God, called to be saints, called to be faithful: Grace to you and peace from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Psa 68:26 Bless ye God in the congregations, even the Lord, from the fountain of Israel.

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

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

blame before him in love:

Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

### **Keep my Commandments and Live**

Joh 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

Joh 14:21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.

### **A New Commandment**

In the letter below, we repeat the point of what godly love is several times. It is the essence of understanding the true Gospel of Christ. Bear with it until you know it in the marrow of your bones. Fearing the Lord means to love Him.

Pro 3:7 Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

Pro 3:8 It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

According to Christ, the Law and the Prophets hang on these two great Commandments:

Mat 22:36 Master, which is the great commandment in the law?

Mat 22:37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

Mat 22:38 This is the first and great commandment.

Mat 22:39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Mat 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

When Christ comes into our lives, He gives us a new Commandment which makes the two great Commandments perfect. This New Commandment is to love one another as Christ loved us, laying down our lives for one another and keeping His Commandments. Christ fulfilled the Law and the Prophets, making it perfect.

Mat 5:17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

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Joh 13:34 A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

Joh 13:35 By this shall all *men* know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

The Law of Liberty, which is the Law of Christ, is being fulfilled every day in our lives when we love ourselves and our brethren with the love of God, which is the great Commandment. The Law of Christ is His Commandments.

Gal 5:13 For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

Gal 5:14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

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Eph 5:1 Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;

Eph 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Loving your neighbour as yourself is seeking the spiritual wealth and health of our brethren above ourselves. A selfless sacrifice of our lives defines the works and acts of Jesus Christ and His Christ. Being redeemed by the Lord, we belong to Him, and this is our reasonable service.

1Co 10:24 Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth.

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

The new Commandment Christ gives us is to love one another as He loved us. Christ gave up His life for us so that the Comforter IS [every day] come to us in our appointed times. The Comforter is the Commandments, the Spirit of Promise is the Wisdom of Christ, and the Understanding of the Father. God is Spirit and Love manifested within us when He comes for salvation. When this Love is in us, we work no ill to our brethren and fulfill the perfect law of Christ.

Rom 13:9 ... Thou shalt not covet; and if *there be* any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended in this saying, namely, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Rom 13:10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

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1Co 13:4 Charity suffereth long, *and* is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

1Co 13:5 Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

1Co 13:6 Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;



1Co 13:7 Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

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1Co 16:14 Let all your things be done with charity.

Col 3:14 And above all these things *put on* charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

When we hear the Gospel, this is the beginning of our walk with Christ. This love is what we are hearing from the beginning, which is the true love of God. Christ is the Word [His Commandments], and He was in the beginning. The true Gospel of Christ is to know and keep His Commandments, which were given to Him by God, the Father.

1Jn 3:11 For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another.

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Joh 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Joh 1:2 The same was in the beginning with God.

From the beginning, we hear the true Gospel being preached to us, after we have been given eyes to see and ears to hear, after we have been raised from spiritual death to see, believe, and confess the Commandments of Christ. This is the beginning of our new life in Christ, the beginning of a new creation [you and me]. Think spiritually.

Luk 4:18 The Spirit of the Lord *is* upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,

Luk 4:19 To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

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Mat 13:17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous *men* have desired to see *those things* which ye see, and have not seen *them*; and to hear *those things* which ye hear, and have not heard *them*.

We write again. What is the true Gospel of Christ? The true Gospel is the mind of Christ, and it is the Commandments of the Father, that live in Christ, which speak from our heaven and cause us to love our neighbours as Christ.

Joh 8:28 Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am *he*, and *that* I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things.

Joh 14:10 Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.

The Living Commandments is the Spirit of Truth and the Word of His Grace, and this is the Gospel which we hear from the beginning.

Joh 15:26 But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, *even* the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, he shall testify of me:

Act 14:3 Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord, which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

We know, after being enlightened, that is to say after the Promise IS come to us, what the love of God is versus the false love the world calls love.

1Jn 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.

Loving God, the Father, and Christ, His Son, by keeping the Commandments, is how we love our brothers and sisters and all of humanity. The OT is a shadow of what is being said in the NT.

Eze 44:24 And in controversy they shall stand in judgment; *and* they shall judge it according to my judgments: and they shall keep my laws and my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they shall hallow my sabbaths.

1Jn 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

We have many Commandments commanding us to love one another. It is the essence of Christ's doctrine. Loving one another is to have mercy, opening blind eyes and deaf ears to teach the true Gospel of Christ and to walk out this Gospel in vessels of clay.

Joh 15:17 These things I command you, that ye love one another.

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Eph 3:16 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;

Eph 3:17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

We show our enemies this same love. The biblical definition of love is keeping Christ's Commandments. Thus, loving our enemies, we display and teach them the Commandments of Christ. Loving our enemies, teaching, showing, and walking out the true Gospel of Christ, is the true love of God. It is the same love we have toward every human being.

Rom 12:20 Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

Rom 12:21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

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Rom 13:8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.

The sons of God judge themselves to see if they are in the faith of Christ. His Commandments purge our consciences in preparing the temple in which Christ comes to dwell. The faith of Christ is His mind. We have to have this mind first before the Comforter comes to us.

2Co 13:5 Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?

Heb 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Heb 10:22 Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

If we love and judge ourselves to see if we are in the faith of Christ, we have confidence to love our brothers and sisters without hypocrisy. Hypocrisy is to say and not to do, and it is the leaven of the Pharisees [Luk 12:1].

1Pe 1:22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:

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1Co 5:7 Purge out therefore the old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

1Co 5:8 Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.

To love each other according to Christ's new Commandment requires us to lay down our lives for one another, according to the measure of faith we have been given. Think spiritually.

Joh 15:12 This is my Commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

Joh 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

Joh 15:14 Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.

Joh 15:15 Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth: but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father I have made known unto you.

Joh 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

We have comfort and hope that is in Christ's Commandments alone, and thus we speak of things as if they already were accomplished, Lord willing. Our flesh, that is to say, our carnal arguments, withers away in the Day of the Lord. So now we ask: How does Christ, who is not a respecter of persons, see us through His Commandments? How do we see ourselves, and how do we see others?

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

1Pe 1:24 For all flesh *is* as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away:

Christ sees His true sons as a work in progress, His workmanship, spiritual Jews and Gentiles alike. We, therefore, see our brethren in the faith through the same lens. We are not talking about those outside the faith [the world]. Christ works with the world in their appointed times. As the children of God, we are fearfully and wonderfully made, being in the process of being made over to bring forth good works that are obedience to the Commandments.

Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them.

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Psa 139:14 I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.

Psa 139:15 My substance was not hid from thee, when I was made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

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Tit 2:14 Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.

Now, after we receive the true Gospel, we lay our lives down for each other, seeing each other and ourselves as God sees us and as Christ sees us, who laid down His life for us. To lay down our lives is to not accuse and excuse within ourselves but to do the Commandments in place of our carnal arguments,

lies and idols of the heart.

Joh 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life.

Joh 10:15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

Christ and His Christ, the sons of God, speak of things that are not yet as if they already are accomplished. Therefore, we travail with brethren until Christ is formed in them.

Rom 4:17 (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.

Gal 4:19 My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,

We obey Christ rather than winning the approval of the world of carnal reasoning. Peter and James declare that friendship with the world within and without is enmity with God. Sons of God are staying focused on our calling to love ourselves, our brothers, our enemies, and all the world with the true love of Christ, according to the new Commandment Christ gave us.

Jas 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

Act 5:29 Then Peter and the other apostles answered and said, We ought to obey God rather than men.

We strive to flee from evil, cling to that which is good, and set an example. We are unworthy servants, and this is our duty.

Luk 17:10 So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those

things which are commanded you, say, We are unprofitable servants: we have done that which was our duty to do.

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Joh 13:15 For I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you.

Joh 13:16 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The servant is not greater than his Lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him.

Joh 13:17 If ye know these things, happy are ye if ye do them.

The world within and without beholds how we are walking. Does the Spirit stay on us? Are we the lambs of God? Are we projecting the light of Christ to the world as we walk? We are commanded to examine ourselves.

Joh 1:32 And John bare record, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him.

Joh 1:36 And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God!

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1Co 9:27 But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.

Our brethren see the fruit of the Tree of Life manifesting in the sons of God, His little children. We strive to continue in Christ's love. As shepherds of the sheep, those whom the Lord sets in the church are to be the examples of Christ.

Mat 7:17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

Mat 7:18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither



can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

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Joh 15:8 Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

Joh 15:9 As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

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1Co 11:1 Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.

We learn the lessons of the past and reach forth to what is set before us. We focus on today. We forgive ourselves and others, laying down our lives for our friends, which means not to lean on our own understanding but to trust the Lord and do what He commands.

Joh 10:17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

Joh 10:18 No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

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Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me.

The Commandments, the plumbline, and also the reed of God are the only measures to inspect how we are doing. We see multiple witnesses of angels, symbolizing those with the resurrected Christ in them, measuring the temple and city of God. These are parables telling us to examine ourselves.

Zec 2:1 I lifted up mine eyes again, and looked, and behold a

man with a measuring line in his hand.

Zec 2:2 Then said I, Whither goest thou? And he said unto me, To measure Jerusalem, to see what *is* the breadth thereof, and what *is* the length thereof.

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Rev 21:15 And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.

Laying our lives down and taking them up again is a parable, meaning we become all things to all men to bring the Gospel to all. Paul had become Christ in this world and was an angel of the Lord in preaching the Gospel to those in his path.

1Co 9:20 And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law;

1Co 9:21 To them that are without law, as without law, (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,) that I might gain them that are without law.

1Co 9:22 To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all *men*, that I might by all means save some.

We move away from the things that make us sin and move toward the thoughts and actions of Christ that fill us with His Power, His Commandments, which is the joy of the Lord. We strive to maintain good works and thus, by example, stimulate and provoke our brethren to do likewise.

Php 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things *are* honest, whatsoever things *are* just, whatsoever things *are* pure, whatsoever things *are* lovely, whatsoever things *are* of good report; if *there be* any virtue, and if *there be* any praise, think on these things.

Heb 10:24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:

The true children of God embrace the mistakes we are making. We know that it is through much endurance and chastening that we are being saved. There are tribulations yet to come that are not written, which we are unable to bear right now [Rev 10:4]. We live by every Word of God, even our failures, the occasion the Lord seeks, to burn out the wood, hay, and stubble within us, making us anew. Within us are vessels [thoughts] both of honour and dishonour. Always apply the spiritual application of the Word.

2Ti 2:19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let everyone that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

2Ti 2:20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.

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

We are grateful for all things. The Lord wastes nothing, and all things are ours, that is to say, we live the good and the evil and the perfect. We do not know what the future brings except that the Lord's Promises never fail. Christ does what He pleases.

Isa 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it.

Mat 6:34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the evil thereof.

The multitudes are separated from the love of God and have not age-abiding life, as many are called, few are chosen, and even fewer are being made faithful in every age. The blessed few being made faithful are happy to be counted worthy to suffer for His Name's sake. So, we use pain, frustration, and inconveniences to motivate us rather than to discourage us because we know we are being made perfect in love, a beautiful, sharp threshing instrument in His awesome Hands. This is a process of patience and long suffering.

Isa 41:15 Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat *them* small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.

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

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

We feed the Lord's sheep and His lambs when we love them as Christ has and continues to love us. We speak Truth and walk in love. The Lord prepares us well for our calling.

Joh 21:17 He saith unto him the third time, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, Feed my sheep.

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Eph 4:15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

Eph 4:16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and

compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

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Eph 5:2 And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

When we fear, we do not live to our fullest capacity. When we act in unbelief, we act in fear. When we love, we do not fear.

2Ti 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

1Joh 4:18 There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love.

We do not lie to ourselves but speak Truth within and without. We lack confidence when we are not abiding in the Truth the Lord taught us. One cannot speak with integrity about a lifestyle we are not living. Others behold how Christ walked, and thus our hearts tell us instantly if we walk not in love.

1Jn 3:18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.

1Jn 3:19 And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him.

1Jn 3:20 For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

1Jn 3:21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

Peace comes from knowing and doing the righteousness of Christ's Commandments. We love our brethren through obeying

Christ.

Isa 54:13 And all thy children *shall be* taught of the LORD; and great *shall be* the peace of thy children.

Isa 54:14 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.

The sons of God pay close attention to their lives. We redeem the time because the days are evil. Distractions are more and more every day; therefore, we stay in the Word, studying, quietly doing our own business so we may feed the flock of God within and without.

1Th 4:11 And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

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

Through the Gospel, we are filled with joy unspeakable. and given the zeal to do all for the Kingdom's sake. Paul speaks to us this day because, as the son of God, Paul's words are Christ's words and never pass away.

Act 20:22 And now, behold, I go bound in the spirit unto Jerusalem, not knowing the things that shall befall me there:

Act 20:23 Save that the Holy Spirit witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.

Act 20:24 But none of these things move me, neither count I my life dear unto myself, so that I might finish my course with joy, and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

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Php 2:17 Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all.

Php 2:18 For the same cause also do ye joy, and rejoice with me.

We give to those less honourable, and that is how we love. We express the Power of God, which is Christ, through walking out His Commandments. We give more honour to the less honourable, which, spiritually speaking, are the Commandments of Christ. The Commandments of Christ are not esteemed in the religious world. In the Assembly, it is those who are less honourable that we are commanded to esteem more.

1Co 12:23 And those members of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness.

1Co 12:24 For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked:

1Co 12:25 That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.

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Rom 12:10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

The Living Christ is teaching us to love our brethren, and the Lord Himself gives us the increase.

1Th 4:9 But as touching brotherly love ye need not that I write unto you: for ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.

1Th 4:10 And indeed ye do it toward all the brethren which

are in all Macedonia: but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more;

The new Commandment of Christ makes us perfect. Laying our lives down means to obey all the Commandments of Christ. We are doing it only by the Lord's mercy and indwelling grace, which is the Gospel and the Power of God unto salvation.

1Ki 8:61 Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

Pro 11:5 The righteousness of the perfect shall direct his way: but the wicked shall fall by his own wickedness.

Mat 5:48 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect.

The new Commandment of Christ to love one another as He has loved is actually an old Commandment. We heard the Commandment when we first heard the Gospel by the mercy of God. We often remind ourselves of these Commandments because they are the essence of eternal life and of God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. If we obey the new Commandment that encapsulates all of them, we abide in the light and love of God, and there is no occasion for us to stumble.

1Jn 2:7 Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning.

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

1Jn 2:9 He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his brother, is in darkness even until now.

1Jn 2:10 He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and



there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

Be often reminded of the Commandments. To be a helper in your joy, the Lord had us write summaries and many articles on the Commandments that are posted at [www.truthinscripture.com](http://www.truthinscripture.com). There is a subsection in the top menu titled "[Commandments](#)." Blessed are they who know and obey the Commandments.

Mat 10:27 What I tell you in darkness, *that* speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, *that* preach ye upon the housetops.

Act 4:20 For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.

Receive ye the Gospel, receive ye the Holy Spirit.

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# The Joy of the Lord Is Our Strength

## Anointed with the Oil of Gladness

Peter and Rohnel, called to be the ministers of Christ through the will of God, to all the scattered saints who call upon Jesus Christ; grace and peace unto you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

This letter is written to the saints to remind us to rejoice in the Lord always and to seek the fullness of His joy in our lives. Embracing the Gospel, pressing into the Kingdom of God with all our heart, mind, and soul, brings greater joy as the Lord rewards those who seek Him. May we be filled with the joy of the Lord as we strive to stay in the faith by obedience.

The joy of the Lord is planted and kept in us by the preaching and obeying of the Gospel of the Living Commandments.

Joh 15:10 If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.

Joh 15:11 These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full.

By the mercy of God, the hidden mystery of His Gospel has been revealed. This Gospel is the knowledge of God that brings us many blessings, including the grace that manifests peace, obedience, and the fruits of the Spirit. We are being saved from our sins, and the Lord's joy has now become our joy.

Mat 12:18 Behold my servant, whom I have chosen; my beloved, in whom my soul is well pleased: I will put my spirit [His Joy] upon him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.

God is love, and the love of God is that we obey His Commandments. The joy of the Lord is the love that is the Father dwelling in Him. The Father did not send Christ alone; the Father, who is the Holy Commandments, is alive with Christ as they are one Spirit. The Father is the joy of the Lord, and Christ always seeks to obey the Father so that He may please God.

Joh 8:29 And he that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone; for I do always those things that please him.

As the Father sent Christ, so He sends us as His Christ. Thus, the joy of the Lord, the Commandments that are the Spirit of God, the wisdom of Christ, and the understanding of the Father become our strength when the Promise comes in the appointed day.

Joh 14:20 At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.

Our joy is not our own, nor is it joy in the Lord. The joy we receive as a gift is the Lord's joy of the Holy Commandments that are the Father. Sons of God always do what the Father does, which is to do the Commandments. We follow Christ's example.

Joh 5:19 Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner.

Joh 5:20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself does; and He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel.

The love of God is His Spirit that brings the desire to obey God's Commandments. The Lord had a full measure of this Spirit and thus, to bring joy to the Father, Christ endured the cross and despised the shame that comes from the carnal world.

Heb 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Christ came into this world to save the world, and that is accomplished through the preaching of the Gospel to those given to receive it. The joy of the Lord is thus fulfilled in due time in those who hear Christ and His Christ.

Joh 17:13 And now come I to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they might have my joy fulfilled in themselves.

Christ's prayer above is answered, and thus we follow the Lord's example and, for the joy of the Lord set before us, pay the costs to become His disciples. Our hope, that is also our faith of Christ, is rewarded in due time, and the joy of the Lord, that is the love of God, is poured into our hearts by

the Spirit.

Rom 5:5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Having the Lord's joy abiding in us is having the love of God in our hearts that witnesses that we are the children of God.

1Jn 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and keep His commandments.

1Jn 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments. And His commandments are not burdensome.

Before Christ comes with His joy to dwell in us, a time of preparation is needed to build the walls and the temple in the Holy City. We are the Temple of God, and this is our day of preparation and the baptism of John. As the chosen of God, we begin singing a new song, the song of salvation.

Exo 15:2 The LORD *is* my strength and song, And He has become my salvation

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Psa 132:13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation.

Psa 132:14 This is my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it

The walls that guard the Temple are the Commandments, and when they are being raised, our day of the Lord has come, meaning we have heard and received the Gospel. This is a holy day, as we are being made holy and perfected, and now have the same joy our Lord has living in us. The joy of the Lord that has been given to us is our strength.

Neh 8:9 And Nehemiah, which *is* the Tirshatha, and Ezra the

priest the scribe, and the Levites that taught the people, said unto all the people, This day is holy unto the LORD your God; mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law.

Neh 8:10 Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for this day is holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.

The shadows of the OT confirm our understanding of the Lord's ways. While Nehemiah built the walls, Ezra built the new Temple itself, and its construction and dedication brought great joy to the children of Israel.

Ezr 6:16 And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of the children of the captivity, kept the dedication of this house of God with joy

The joy of the Lord is another symbol of the hidden mystery of the Gospel, the Promise of God now being revealed unto the saints. The Living Commandments of the Father is our strength, the power that saves us and builds and protects the Temple in which we rejoice and are exceedingly glad. Through this joy, we are triumphing over our sins. Judgment has come upon the house of God, and a new creature is being made.

Isa 33:5 The LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness.

Psa 97:8 Zion heard, and was glad; and the daughters of Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O LORD.

As we mature in the faith, we rejoice more and more at the trials and afflictions that come in the Lord's day as we enter into the King's palace.

Psa 118:24 This is the day which the LORD hath made; let us

rejoice and be glad in it.

Psa 45:15 With gladness and rejoicing shall they be brought: they shall enter into the king's palace.

We are comforted in our mourning and loss of many things. Singing, shouting and making noise for the Lord is our obedience to the Commandments in which we rejoice. We are comforted, and all the waste places within us are being transformed. Joy, gladness, and thanksgiving are in our hearts as we sing to the Lord in obedience.

Isa 51:3 For the LORD shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody.

Act 2:46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

The Lord is well pleased in us, and we are glad when we come before Him singing praises by our obedience and trust in His ways.

Psa 100:1 A Psalm of praise. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands.

Psa 100:2 Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence [the Commandments] with singing.

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Psa 149:1 Praise ye the LORD. Sing unto the LORD a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.

Psa 149:2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

Only the redeemed of the Lord, to whom His joy has come, can learn and sing the new song of salvation.

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

The Joy of the Lord is mighty in bringing the overcoming of our sins that we have strived to attain all of our lives. Those to whom the joy of the Lord has come are the blessed sons of God, His kings and priests on the earth.

Psa 21:1 To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David. The king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!

Psa 21:6 For thou hast made him most blessed for ever: thou hast made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.

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Zep 3:17 The LORD thy God in the midst of thee is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee with joy; he will rest in his love, he will joy over thee with singing.

Becoming one with Christ is marrying Christ, and in this, we rejoice, having been made ready by the works of God to wash us with the Commandments and clothe us in His righteousness.

Rev 19:7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

Psa 132:16 I will also clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall shout aloud for joy.

When we have joy in the Father's Commandments, we cannot help but produce the fruits of His Spirit. Pursuing more knowledge outside of the Commandments is no longer a strong desire as we

seek first the kingdom of God and obedience to the Commandments, in which we now rest in joy.

Gal 5:22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith ...

Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit

In time, our sorrow over the many trials and afflictions turns to unspeakable joy. It is through these trials of our obedience to the faith that we overcome and begin to be filled with the Lord's glory as salvation begins to manifest.

1Pe 1:8 Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

1Pe 1:9 Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls.

All that the Lord is doing is for the greater good of our salvation. Nothing is wasted, and we learn to rejoice in trials and the Commandments as we see Christ appearing more in our lives.

Hab 3:18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

Jas 1:2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations

The words for joy and gladness in the Scriptures are interchangeable, as various translations and Bible concordances confirm. The Lord raises us and brings us forth with both joy and gladness and gives us the Promised Land to inherit as we learn to obey the Lord.

Psa 105:43 And he brought forth his people with joy, *and* his chosen with gladness:



Psa 105:44 And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people;

Psa 105:45 That they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws. Praise ye the LORD.

The anointing of the Holy Spirit, known as the Promise, is the joy of the Lord and is also called the oil of gladness. The elect chosen of God who become His angels and ministers of flame are given the anointing which causes us to become trees of righteousness and manifest the glory of the Lord, that is, our obedience to the Commandments.

Heb 1:9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, *even* thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness [joy] above thy fellows.

Isa 61:3 To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy [gladness] for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified.

Where the King's Commandments are sent, there arises light, gladness, joy, and honour.

Est 8:16 The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour.

Our joy is said to be an everlasting joy as it is the Commandments, the Living Word that abides forever and never passes away.

Isa 51:11 Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy

When the joy comes inside, we are now being taught by God. The Spirit of the Commandments, the anointing of the joy of the Lord, teaches all men and makes known God's ways.

Act 2:28 Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.

Jer 15:16 Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts.

The day we hear the Gospel preached with God-given ears begins the blessing of God, bringing us the joy of the Holy Ghost into our hearts. Many lies are cast out, and we begin to be healed of our lameness and many other spiritual diseases. Great joy comes into us, the city of God.

Act 8:7 For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.

Act 8:8 And there was great joy in that city.

It is an unparalleled honour and blessing to have the opportunity to make a stand for Christ, the Commandments, and be persecuted for His name's sake. Those precious few given to repent and believe the Gospel in every age are the Lord's redeemed who will be full of joy and exceedingly glad for all the things the Lord is working.

Mat 5:11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

Mat 5:12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Our sorrows, afflictions, and doubts vanish as the Lord grants us understanding and gives us the overcoming. We are thus filled not only with His joy but also with His glory.

1Pe 4:12 Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing

happened unto you:

1Pe 4:13 But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

When the Gospel is preached, and we begin to be washed by the Commandments, we tarry for the Lord to come with the living joy of the Promise. We advance in our preparations the more we are caused to forsake all our worldly thoughts and interests and for the joy of the Lord buy the hidden treasure being now being revealed.

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

Waiting for the Lord is a test of our faith. Will we be found faithful when the Lord returns in our day of visitation? When we prove faithful in a few things, He promotes us into greater things and gives salvation, and we enter further into His Joy as shown in the Parable of the Talents.

Mat 25:21 His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

We earnestly seek and tarry for the blessing of God and this joy to come through the gift of His Faith that is also the Holy Spirit.

Rom 15:13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Spirit

The joy we receive when we hear the Gospel and begin to cast our devils is far surpassed when the Lord returns the second

time as the Promise and brings His Joy into our hearts to dwell.

Luk 10:17 And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

Luk 10:20 Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

The spiritual body of Christ is connected being of one mind and one Spirit. Thus, there is great joy in our heavens and all those seated with Christ when even one person is granted repentance and turns their heart to the Gospel.

Luk 15:7 I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

Luk 15:10 Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth.

To declare the whole counsel of God regarding His Joy, we also need to speak of the negative, which is losing the joy and the voice of gladness. When there is no joy in our hearts, we examine ourselves and see how we are doing versus the Commandments. If we continue to wilfully sin after coming to knowledge of the truth [the Gospel], the Lord forsakes us for a little season to turn our hearts back to the Commandments in repentance. Like David, we seek the Lord, repent, and seek the restoration of the joy of our salvation.

Psa 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

Psa 51:11 Cast me not away from thy presence; and take not thy holy spirit from me.

Psa 51:12 Restore unto me the joy of thy salvation; and uphold me *with thy free spirit*.

As our Lord experienced for our sakes on the cross, we likewise endure a little season in which we feel forsaken and thus have no joy. We await the death of our flesh so we can be freed from our sins. If we call upon the Lord, He hears us and restores the joy of our salvation.

Knowing the truth that is the Commandments and not doing them when Christ goes away for a little while brings much sorrow, and we can feel unworthy, and our faith is shaken. There is no joy to be found when we are being disobedient to the Truth we have walked with for many years. Giving birth is painful, and for the Sons of God to come forth, travail and sorrow are promised before it is all turned into joy. The Lord speaks of our journey of sorrow before He returns, when the new man is born in us, when the Promise comes.

Joh 16:20 Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

Joh 16:21 A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.

We await the Promise and the power to pull us out of the miry clay that is the pit flesh and stands us on the Commandments. He will come; He will not tarry. Be patient.

Psa 40:1 I waited patiently for the LORD; and he inclined unto me, and heard my cry.

Psa 40:2 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.

Psa 40:3 And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.

When the Lord returns to us the second time, we have received the blessing of God and the Power to overcome sin and endure to the end. The joy of the Lord now lives in our hearts; it is our strength, and we can ask Him anything according to His will, and it shall be done. No man can take away our joy, the Spirit of God, the Promise now living inside of us.

Joh 16:22 And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you.

Joh 16:23 And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you.

Joh 16:24 Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full.

The joy of the Lord is not the same as the joy of our flesh. The flesh profits itself nothing from Christ's Commandments, only destruction. The Lord takes away the joy and gladness we had in satisfying our lusts, as we now belong to Him, and all things are being made new. The meat and joy we once had is cut off from our hearts and minds, and it is a blessing of God.

Joe 1:15 Alas for the day! for the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.

Joe 1:16 Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, yea, joy and gladness from the house of our God?

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Jas 4:9 Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.

When the joy comes, our day of the Lord is now at hand, and we are blessed in the Lord as we are being drawn to the Commandments. The joy we had in our rebellion to the Commandments turns to gloom as the Gospel brings mourning,

lamentation, and woe into our lives. What is sweet to our hearing becomes bitter to our flesh and the old way of life.

Rev 10:9 And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.

Rev 10:10 And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter.

Our complaining and moaning about the costs of losing our lives gives way to great joy when the Comforter comes to us, and the joy of the Lord remains with us. We no longer weep over our trials and rejoice in the Lord always.

Isa 65:17 For, behold, I create new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered, nor come into mind.

Isa 65:18 But be ye glad and rejoice for ever in that which I create: for, behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.

Isa 65:19 And I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and joy in my people: and the voice of weeping shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

The saints are the blessed of God, given to receive and be filled with the joy of the Lord. Receive the blessing of the Gospel and rejoice in the Lord always. We say it again, rejoice because the Lord of all joy is at hand. Receive ye the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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# Blessed is the Man of God

## Rejoice in the Blessings Making us New

Rohneel and Peter, the servants of Jesus Christ, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, *and* called: Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.

Rom 15:5 Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

Rom 15:6 That ye may with one mind *and* one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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2Sa 22:47 The LORD liveth; and blessed *be* my rock; and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.

## Keep My Commandments

Jer 7:23 But this thing commanded I them, saying, Obey my voice, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded you, that it may be well unto you.

Joh 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments.

## Blessed is the Man

As Christ's chosen people, we are being blessed with innumerable spiritual blessings that further the Lord's work in bringing salvation from our sins. As the Israel of God, we are blessed far beyond what we first know. Reminding ourselves of these many blessings is the focus of this study. Blessings are poured out when we are given to know the joyful sound of the Gospel we have heard and which we now strive to walk



therein in the light thereof.

Psa 89:15 Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance.

We become the blessed of God by receiving many blessings from the hand of the Lord. The Lord teaches His disciples from the mount by speaking the Commandments of the Father, known as the Gospel of Good News. When we receive these words, we are blessed and chosen to receive a multitude of blessings. Here are some Commandments and fruits of the Spirit that the blessed people of God exhibit.

Mat 5:1 And seeing the multitudes, he went up into a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:

Mat 5:2 And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,

Mat 5:3 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Mat 5:4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Mat 5:5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Mat 5:6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Mat 5:7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Mat 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Mat 5:9 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Mat 5:10 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Mat 5:11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

Mat 5:12 Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Our flesh, the natural man within us, never appreciates the Lord's blessings that bring forth a new man in the image of the Commandments. It is through these various blessings that we are being made holy and blameless.

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

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

The Living Christ blesses us by making His abode in us and feeding us the Bread of Life, the Commandments, which save us from sin.

Psa 132:13 For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation.

Psa 132:14 This is my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

Psa 132:15 I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

As Job experienced, the blessed of God encounter miserable, carnally minded comforters within and without, telling us we are anything but blessed because of the seemingly endless trials and afflictions we endure. Walking by faith and not by sight, the Lord's people ignore the wisdom of the world within and without and rather stand on the Promises of Christ, which

is the power of God that is the Commandments. The Lord's Commandments are wisdom and understanding brought to those chosen to see, hear, and understand the mystery of the Gospel in every age. Solomon, as a type of God's Elect, is granted wisdom and knowledge to judge the nations [thoughts]. Only the Commandments of Christ bring true riches, wealth, and honour. Think spiritually about every word in the Scriptures. After faith comes, wisdom and understanding are given to us.

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

1Co 1:19 For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.

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2Ch 1:11 And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and thou hast not asked riches, wealth, or honour, nor the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:

2Ch 1:12 Wisdom and knowledge is granted unto thee; and I will give thee riches, and wealth, and honour, such as none of the kings have had that *have been* before thee, neither shall there any after thee have the like.

The true blessings of God are the experiences that mould and reshape us into a holy and set-apart people, being remade into His likeness. It is always a fiery process that begins when judgment has fallen upon the house of God. As we grow in maturity, we, at times, grow weary and do not feel blessed; thus, we need to be reminded often of what the Lord is working in us through affliction. It is through difficult trials that we learn to walk by faith, leaning on the comfort of our faith and the treasure and power that are the Living Commandments.

These words do not read like blessings, but they are the greatest blessings we have ever received.

2Co 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

2Co 4:8 *We are* troubled on every side, yet not distressed; *we are* perplexed, but not in despair;

2Co 4:9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;

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2Co 1:9 But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which raiseth the dead:

Maturing on the Lord's timeline, we learn to be thankful for everything, knowing we are reaping the blessings of God. The faith of Christ, that is to say, the Father's Commandments, is what keeps us safe and protected from the snares of the devil.

Eph 5:20 giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

When the Lord has mercy and opens our spiritual eyes and ears to His Gospel, the Commandments, our blessings have only begun.

Mat 13:16 But blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear.

Mat 13:17 For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.

The revelation of Christ within us comes when we are given spiritual eyes to hear the Living Christ and thus begin to

fulfill the prophecies of the Book. When the Lord comes into our lives and begins to work His work in us, which is to raise us from spiritual death, the time is henceforth at hand, and we are now blessed above all the peoples of the earth as we are being made holy in His image.

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

Rev 22:7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

Deu 7:6 For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth.

With eyes now open to see the Commandments, the blessings of God are all about our sanctification, which is God's will. We are sanctified and blessed when we are cleansed of all things that defile, being washed by the water of the Commandments, which is preparing us to receive the Spirit of Christ into our hearts.

Psa 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

It is the Lord's work to accomplish this, as our hearts are circumcised by the Commandments that are the living Christ. A circumcised heart is a clean heart that has been washed by the Spirit of Christ that dwells in us.

Col 2:11 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ:

The Lord promises to hasten His work in us. To hasten means to speed up, to finish, to make short work upon the earth. We are

the earth. The Lord rewards those who diligently seek Him. The more we come to the Commandments, the greater blessings we receive from the Lord, and His work in us is hastened.

Isa 60:21 Thy people also *shall be* all righteous: they shall inherit the land for ever, the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.

Isa 60:22 A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the LORD will hasten it in his time.

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Rom 9:28 For he will finish the work, and cut *it* short in righteousness: because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.

When the Lord comes for salvation, we are continually blessed as the Lord is always present with us. The Lord promises never to leave or forsake us. Christ, our able minister and high Priest, is always there to bless us and bring that which is lacking in our faith. The ways of Christ are never changing, even in our latter-day visitation, as the OT shadows declare.

Deu 4:30 When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the Lord thy God, and shalt be obedient unto his voice;

Deu 4:31 (For the LORD thy God is a merciful God;) he will not forsake thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he swore unto them.

The Commandments we know and meditate about, and which live in our hearts and minds, is our Helper. We are blessed even as our flesh pines.

Heb 13:5 *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*

Heb 13:6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord *is* my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

We are also blessed because the Lord hears and answers our prayers, made according to His will. In the Day of the Lord, we are being taught to pray for anything according to His will, and we shall receive it.

Psa 34:17 The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

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Joh 14:13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

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

Christ blesses us richly as it brings about His will and glorifies God, the Father. We therefore have full assurance that He is providing what we ask for, not asking amiss, but asking rightly according to His will. The Lord deeply cares for us.

2Co 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

Psa 84:4 Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Selah.

1Pe 5:7 Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.

The blessings of being in Christ and in the Father are the exercising of our faith that, in time, enable us to stand through the trials, to have our faith proven, and see the remaking progress and the new temple of the Living God constructed. When we hearken unto the Lord's Voice, many blessings are being poured out upon us. Here is the OT shadow

of what is being said.

Deu 28:2 And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

Deu 28:3 Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.

Deu 28:4 Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.

Deu 28:5 Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. .

Deu 28:6 Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.

The Lord's blessings are not what flesh desires. The blessings of God reserved for His chosen people in the Day of the Lord are to make them perfect. It is not about the flesh being profited when the Lord is guiding us towards life aionios, which is God, the Father, and Christ within us. We live by every word of God until all is fulfilled.

Joh 6:63 It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.

Mat 5:18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.

Blessed are we when judgment comes to us by the mercy of God that has opened our eyes to the Gospel, visiting us with salvation. We rejoice and glory in our inheritance in the Spirit of Christ.

Psa 106:3 Blessed are they that keep judgment, and he that doeth righteousness at all times.



Psa 106:4 Remember me, O LORD, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people: O visit me with thy salvation;  
Psa 106:5 That I may see the good of thy chosen, that I may rejoice in the gladness of thy nation, that I may glory with thine inheritance.

Christ's purpose in saving us is not to make us comfortable in this world. Instead, He is calling us out of the world, within and without, to become a set-apart people unto Himself. Thus, it is through the faith of Christ given to us that we know the Lord's plan and are glad. Blessing has come upon the house of God, and this requires enduring the chastening and affliction of our Heavenly Father as we are taught His Commands.

Psa 94:12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;

In judgment, the Lord brings temptations and trials and corrects us when we err and rewards us when we obey. In the same way a natural father loves and grows His children, so does our Lord. We come to rejoice and see our chastening and judgment as a blessing.

1Pe 1:6 Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:

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

Thinking of our trials as God, the Father, and Christ views them helps us identify and take captive an ungrateful, complaining spirit within ourselves. Who are the blessed people of God? To know this gives us a different perspective on our trials, which is the work of the Commandments, the rod of God that comforts the new man and destroys the old. The rod of God is the Comforter, the Living Commandments.

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

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Isa 40:1 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.

Isa 40:2 Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.

When the Commandments come, we begin to eat the meat of the Gospel that is our understanding of the Father's Commandments and ways, with gladness. Our heart is singularly focused on obeying the Lord and pleasing our Heavenly Father.

Act 2:46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

The blessed people of God are the chosen few who come out of the many called in Christ's name. Anyone blessed by God has become so not because of anything they do but solely because they have been chosen for salvation in this age. Christ causes us to dwell in His courts of judgment. It is in His house where spiritual fruit is being established, and we are being grown into the likeness of Christ.

Psa 65:4 Blessed is the man whom thou choosest, and causest to approach unto thee, that he may dwell in thy courts: we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of thy holy temple.

Joh 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain ...

We do not obey the Lord to get a reward; instead, our

obedience and the blessing are because the Lord has chosen us to place His Commandments in our hearts and minds. The living Commandments are the cause of our obedience, and they come to us by the election of grace and none of our own works.

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

Rom 11:6 And if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace.

Rom 11:7 What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded . But if *it be* of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

The Lord puts the desire, the hunger to seek Him, and the zeal for His house into our hearts and minds. This zeal is the Commandments and is the blessing that IS come upon the remnant being saved in every age. The election by grace works to fill us with Christ's righteousness in due time.

Mat 5:6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Being loved by the world and being spoken well of by men is not a blessing. Following Christ means the world will hate and revile us, as they esteem not the Commandments. Blessed are we when we are spoken evil of and persecuted for righteousness' sake, which means standing in the Commandments. Our blessing is to have the mind of Christ and the trials that this mind produces. Swift rejection and persecution upon the true sons of God, obeying Christ's Commandments, who do not follow after the traditions of men, is to be expected. We learn to rejoice in this rejection and to see it as the confirmation of the Lord's Presence and His Commandments at work in our lives.

Mat 5:11 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you

falsely, for my sake.

Php 1:28 And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God.

Psa 7:1 O LORD my God, in thee do I put my trust: save me from all them that persecute me, and deliver me:

Being divided, separated from, and rejected by the carnal world within and without is a necessary blessing to become mature in Christ. This variance with others is to be expected, and we know it is our saving grace to be separated from the world.

Deu 33:16 And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and *for* the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let *the blessing* come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him *that was* separated from his brethren.

Deu 33:17 His glory *is like* the firstling of his bullock, and his horns *are like* the horns of unicorns: with them he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and they *are* the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they *are* the thousands of Manasseh.

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Mar 10:29 And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,

Mar 10:30 But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.

This isolation is painful at first, yet the sons of God

rejoice when their worldly goods are plundered. Spiritually, this means that our so-called spiritual riches, without the Lord's Commandments, are spoiled. The Lord destroys all when He comes with His Commandments that are the true knowledge of God. All of our knowledge without Christ and the idols of our hearts are spoiled and come to nothing. Read the parable of the rich young ruler in the Gospels.

Jer 2:13 For my people have committed two evils; they have forsaken me the fountain of living waters, *and* hewed them out cisterns, broken cisterns, that can hold no water.

Jer 2:14 *Is* Israel a servant? *is* he a homeborn slave? why is he spoiled?

Jer 2:15 The young lions roared upon him, *and* yelled, and they made his land waste: his cities are burned without inhabitant.

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Mat 19:20 The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet?

Mat 19:21 Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go *and* sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come *and* follow me.

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Php 3:8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,

Being separated from the world, the sons of God are no longer partaking in the lusts of the flesh, which is the law of sin in our members. We become dead to these lusts and mortify them through the blessings of God, the Commandments we have received, and seek after. The Lord promises us the kingdom of

Heaven, which is Christ in us, the Hope of Glory. “*Sell that you have*” are spiritual words meaning to seek and hold fast to the incorruptible treasure of God’s Commandments.

Luk 12:32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

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

The fear of the Lord is a profound blessing that is likened unto a treasure. We learn the fear of the Lord by the favor [grace] of the Lord, which is put upon us. The fear of the Lord is taught us by the Commandments we hearken unto that are judging us.

Psa 34:11 Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the LORD.

Where sin abounds, the living grace of God abounds even more. When grace has come, the wonderful work of the Lord to the children of men has come, and we are learning obedience by the things we are given to suffer.

Psa 112:1 Praise ye the LORD. Blessed is the man that feareth the LORD, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.

Psa 112:2 His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

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1Pe 1:17 And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man’s work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:

Fearing God is a blessing as it keeps us in subjection to the Commandments and empowers us to endure and suffer in our flesh

until salvation comes.

1Pe 4:1 Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;

1Pe 4:2 That he no longer should live the rest of *his* time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.

Taught by our many trials and temptations, the fear of the Lord, that is to say, obedience to His Commandments, becomes our treasure. The Commandments and ur striving to keep them become our treasure and the purpose of our lives.

Isa 33:6 Wisdom and knowledge will be the stability of your times, And the strength of salvation; The fear of the LORD is His treasure.

The blessings of God bring the Power of God, the Commandments, into our hearts, which keep the fear of God before us at all times. The result is eternal life IS to know the Father and Christ intimately, becoming one Spirit.

Joh 17:2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him.

Joh 17:3 And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

Our experience of evil is a blessing, and the Lord uses it to show us our sins and to turn our hearts back to the Commandments for salvation. Despite much suffering, we are trusting in the Lord who promises to bless the latter end with salvation of His people. We learn from Job's evil experience that the end of the matter is better than the beginning for all of God's people.

Ecc 1.3 CLV I applied my heart to inquiring and exploring by wisdom concerning all that is done under the heavens: it is an experience of evil Elohim has given to the sons of humanity to

humble them by it.

Job 42:12 So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning:

Those to whom Christ chooses and raises from the dead become His Priests and Ministers who preach the Gospel. The walk of faith brings shame as all our sins are exposed by the light. For all the shame we endure, the Lord blesses us with a double portion, and we inherit the earth and obtain everlasting joy.

Isa 61:6 But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

Isa 61:7 For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

Isa 61:9 And their seed shall be known among the Gentiles, and their offspring among the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them, that they are the seed which the LORD hath blessed.

Following Christ brings the blessing of God. We preach the true Gospel, and it is given back unto us. The man with ten talents was given even more because he was faithful with what he had been given [Matthew 25]. Christ rewards those who diligently seek Him and act upon their given measure of faith. We reap what we sow in obeying the Lord and are given even more of His Spirit.

Mat 25:29 For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

Luk 6:38 Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure,



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

As our faith grows and overcoming increases, lasting spiritual fruit comes. We are learning patience and endurance, trusting in the Promises that are not yet manifest in our walk. Here is the due reward of the Lord's blessings in the OT shadow:

Psa 1:3 And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

The Holy Spirit that is the Living Christ is the blessing of living waters coming out of our bellies in our speech and our deeds.

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

Joh 7:39 But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Spirit was not yet *given*; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.

The blessing of God, the Spirit of Christ, and the Living Commandments are the pure river of water that brings life. Now dwelling in us, His Temple, we shall always be yielding fruit when the Lord finishes the work in His chosen people.

Rev 22:1 And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

Rev 22:2 In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

The blessed sons of God have their sins forgiven. Those of the spiritual household of faith grow in maturity to know that

their sins are being forgiven. Those sins are part of His good work that is, was, and will be perfecting us in the latter times.

Jer 31:34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

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

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

Thus, the promises of the New Covenant are being fulfilled in our lives.

Heb 8:10 For this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

Heb 8:12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

By orchestrating our mistakes and sins, the Lord is humbling us, turning our hearts to Him and teaching us to forgive others and to extend mercy to those who do us wrong, rather than wrath. The Lord teaches us to be merciful by showing us just how much mercy we ourselves need. To have mercy is to open blind eyes and deaf ears. Think spiritually.

Mat 5:7 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Mat 9:13 But go ye and learn what *that* meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the

righteous, but sinners to repentance.

Pursuers of peace are the blessed of God. We learn through the Commandments of Christ to become angels of peace, entering into the true Sabbath's rest. When we do His Commandments, we pursue peace with all men and do not judge another man's servant. Violence, the carnal reasoning of the accusing and excusing mindset, is no longer heard in the land. The Prince of Peace now rules, the Commandments IS our government and authority. Think spiritually.

Isa 60:18 Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.

Heb 12:14 Pursue peace with all people, and holiness, without which no one will see the Lord:

The poor in Spirit are blessed, coming in the Lord's Name. Through the trials of faith, the Lord mars us, destroying the old and bringing forth the new. We are poor in spirit, having forsaken all to follow the Commandments in full assurance of faith. As our man of sin is cast out, we become poor in spirit, which makes us rich in the heavenly realm as Christ within us is strong and IS overcome the world. As the blessed of God, His Christ, we now hold the keys of death and hell, which are the Living Commandments. What doors we shut, no man can open, and what doors we open, no man can shut. As He is, so are we.

Mat 5:3 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

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Rev 3:7 And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

Rev 3:8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

Christ, the Commandments are leading us in all things, and we come in the Lord's Name. We are now the blessed sons of God being led by the Spirit of God, that is to say, His Commandments. We come now in His Name, having been redeemed.

Mat 23:39 For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

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

The true sons of God are promised a most wonderful blessing of the true tithe that comes with a Promise of blessing. The true tithe is the Gospel of Christ Jesus that we preach and obey. We live off the Gospel, the Commandments, and are abundantly blessed with the many things the Lord provides.

Mal 3:10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

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Zec 14:8 And it shall be in that day, *that* living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

Zec 14:9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

When we see ourselves living by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of God, the Word, the Commandments, become alive.

Judgment has come to our house, and we are now the blessed sons of God who can hear the Word and are led by the Spirit. The Living Christ in us is exalted, and the love of God is being spread abroad in our hearts as we are being taught of God.

Isa 33:5 The LORD is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with judgment and righteousness.

Luk 11:28 But he said, Yea rather, blessed are they that hear the word of God, and keep it.

Salvation from all of our sins is the ultimate blessing and is finished when we are perfected by the hand of the Living Christ that dwells in us.

Rev 22:14 Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

Our chastening by the Lord brings these many blessings upon us. Our chastening is a spiritual blessing because it is the salvation of our souls. It is the end of our faith, entering into our rest on the true Sabbath.

Psa 94:12 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law;

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Heb 4:9 There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God.

Heb 4:10 For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his.

The Promise comes to those given the faith of Christ, and thus the Spirit of Grace is brought to us, and the result is blessing and the appearing of Christ in our deeds.

Tit 2:11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

Tit 2:12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

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

The trials of our faith are transforming us by exercising our spiritual senses as we grow into mature children of God. We are made accepted in the Beloved.

Jas 1:12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

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Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

Eph 1:6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

The Lord's chastening tames our beastly nature, and we are learning to submit to the Lord. Gaining dominion over sin, little by little, we are inheriting the earth and standing upon the sea that represents our flesh and its many temptations.

Psa 73:22 So foolish *was* I, and ignorant: I was *as* a beast before thee.

Mat 5:5 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Rev 15:2 And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with

fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

Those attentive to the things of the Lord are the blessed ones. Like building muscle, our faith grows as we exercise it and endure and overcome the trials the Lord brings. We go from glory to glory and see Christ as He is. Watching and guarding our gates, taking all things captive contrary to the Lord's Commandments, is what we are striving to do every day of our lives. These words are applicable as we are reading them today. Blessed are those who watch.

Mat 26:41 Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed *is* willing, but the flesh *is* weak.

Pro 8:34 Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

Rev 16:15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

Being watchful is a daily battle in which we rest from our carnal works but always work the work of God, which is the faith of Christ. As we are being sanctified, we see the Lord in us appearing more and more in due time. When we keep Christ's Commandments, the Father loves us and makes His abode in us, and Christ [the Commandments] appear in our walk. Our hearts are being purified and made holy, which is the manifestation of God in our lives.

1Ti 6:14 that you keep commandments without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ's appearing,

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

Mat 5:8 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Blessed are those who mourn because they are comforted. Our chastening involves much tribulation and anguish over which we mourn and lament. We suffer many losses in the flesh, and the emotional pain we are appointed to experience is a necessary part of the Lord's plan. Eventually, we mature to look behind ourselves and rejoice in those sufferings. Being weak in the flesh, we mourn and lament for a season. Yet this blessing promises that we are being comforted, and a great joy, the joy of the Lord returns.

Isa 51:11 Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy *shall be* upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; *and* sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

Psa 30:5 For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for life; Weeping may endure for a night, But joy comes in the morning.

Mat 5:4 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Patience is required, as none of us know the future or the Lord's timeline for finishing His work in us. We strive daily to endure and overcome, knowing that we are the Lord's workmanship. Those blessed of the Lord know there is always more work to be done in the kingdom of God and heed the admonishments of Paul.

Php 3:12 Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

Php 3:13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,



Php 3:14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Like a farmer, we do all we can to stand, striving to be perfect. Yet we are at the mercy of the Lord to bring the necessary rain to grow the spiritual crop He plants within us. We learn to be patient as we wait on the Lord. Christ tells us it takes patience to bring home the crop.

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

Luk 21:19 In your patience possess ye your souls.

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Jas 5:7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain.

Jas 5:8 Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.

Blessed are those who receive the fiery trials and their faith of Christ from the Lord's Hand. As the Lord's people, we are the blessed ones who can know it; who will believe our report? Only those shown mercy by the Lord hear us, and those precious few have the Lord's Name, that is to say, His Commandments written in their forehead.

Psa 33:12 Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD; and the people *whom* he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

Those blessed and made holy have been resurrected from the spiritually dead, and henceforth we never taste of death even when we depart these clay vessels. We shall forever be with the Lord.

Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

The blessed of God in this age are the true sons of God who get their reward in down payment form now, as the Living Christ, the Holy Spirit, the Promise of Eternal Life has taken root in the kingdom of God within us.

Mat 16:28 Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

We are strong in the Lord and endure. The required suffering and chastening are only for a season. The Lord's ways are higher than ours, and we who now suffer have been counted worthy to receive the blessings of God.

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

Rev 21:5 And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

Blessed are we to have the mind of Christ. Go to the [truthinscripture.com](http://truthinscripture.com) website and look up [Commandments](#) in the top menu. We do not forget the Lord, else He denies us also. The Lord forgave us in times past, but the time of ignorance is over, having heard the true Gospel.

Jer 2:32 Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? yet my people have forgotten me days without number.

Act 17:30 And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent.

We hope the Lord blesses all the Lord brought here to read and that He grants you understanding of His ways and purposes.

Receive ye the Gospel, receive ye the Holy Spirit.