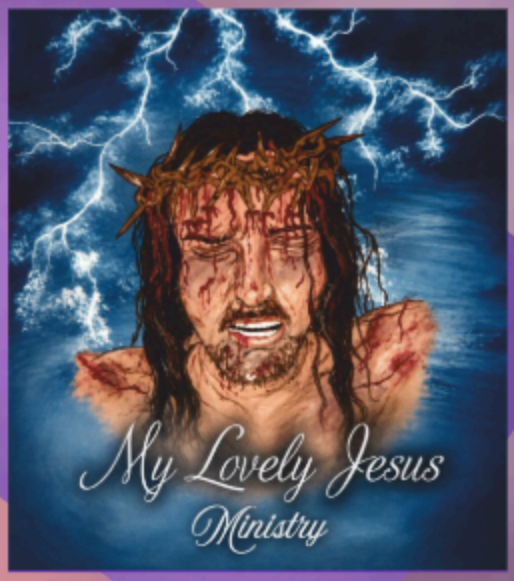
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What is defilement?
Defilement is uncleanliness, becoming polluted, filthiness, blemish of person, blemish of conduct, blemish of things, desecration, it means to soil or pollute, it is the opposite of being kept pure, it is the opposite of being holy. Leviticus 18 lists many things that can cause defilement.

Mostly these things are done through the sin of disobedience to Father God's command and defiles a person, people, even the land/nation itself.

Isaiah 59:2-3
[2] But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his ace from you, that he will not hear.
[3] For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.

Leviticus 18:25 And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.

Spiritual defilement causes:

1. **Associating with the ungodly**: According to Leviticus 18:24; it says you can be defiled by following the way of the unbelievers.

Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

Psalms 1:1-2
1 Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.
[2] But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

2 Corinthians 6:14-18
[14] Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

[15] And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?
[16] And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
[17] Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.
[18] And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

2 Timothy 3:2-5
[2] For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
[3] Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
[4] Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
[5] Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

We are to love people (in the Biblical sense) and to forgive them. We should actively be Ambassadors for Christ (sharing the gospel) especially if they are showing an interest but we are not required to stay in fellowship or friendship with the ungodly. Especially if they are harmful to us. Fellowship with the ungodly should always be led by the sweet Holy Ghost as should all things in our lives. If you search out the Scripture of Truth you will find the instances when Jesus Christ hung out with sinners as we call it today, each time there was interest in what He had to say, even if it was to try to tempt Him into saying something wrong.
(Proverbs 22:24-25; 2 Corinthians 5:17; 20)

2. **Witchcraft and association with it can defile you.** Regarding (Giving attention to) those with familiar spirits (demons) Seeking after wizards. Leviticus 19:31. Seeking after wizards and those with familiar spirits will cause you spiritual defilement.

Deuteronomy 18: 9-14
[9] When thou art come into the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations.
[10] There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch.
[11] Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer.
[12] For all that do these things are an abomination unto the Lord: and because of these abominations the Lord thy God doth drive them out from before thee.
[13] Thou shalt be perfect with the Lord thy God.
[14] For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the Lord thy God hath not suffered thee so to do.

Performing witchcraft is a work of the flesh and is a sin. Therefore it pollutes the spirit and body because their rituals and initiation always include sexual acts forbidden by God. (Galatians 5:19-21; Revelation 21:8; 1 Chronicles 10:13-14)

Note: Spiritual uses of spitting, semen, blood, pulse, faeces, sprinkling of things causes defilement. A lot of people have gotten to their place of work or their company, they found human or animal faeces scattered by the door. They are trying to defile the place and cause trouble for you by those performing witchcraft in the kingdom of darkness.

3. **Food too can defile.** If you are not careful, you get into trouble and you have yourself to blame. Eating polluted foods can cause you to be defiled. Eating your food without prayers, without thanksgiving; can cause you to be defiled. Dedicated foods to idols and served in many parties; can cause you to be defiled. Eating spiritually polluted food can cause you to be defiled but how? If they have been charmed, bewitched, and such like with witchcraft or if they cause you to make a hidden or known agreement then they can defile you physically and spiritually. Otherwise the Word of God says this about food.

Genesis 9:2-6
2 And the fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every
fowl of the air, upon all that moveth upon the earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea; into your
hand are they delivered.
3 **Every moving thing that liveth shall be meat for you;** even as the green herb have I given
you all things.
4 But flesh with the life thereof, which is the blood thereof, shall ye not eat.
5 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it,
and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man.
6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he
man.

Here we see that after the flood God has given man all meat to eat with the green herbs. So all meat is now good to eat. He follows these verses by specifying how not to eat the flesh that's still alive and with blood in it. But also pointing out we shouldn't eat the flesh of man, to kill man because he is made in God's image. So all meat as food is good to eat when we pray over it in Jesus Christ's Name, bless it and give thanks for it.

John 6:11 And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

Matthew 26:26-27
26 And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the
disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body.
27 And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it;
(Acts 27:35; Mark 14:22-23; Luke 22:19; John 6:11)

Mark 7:18-23
18 And he saith unto them, Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that
whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him;

[19] Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?
[20] And he said, That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.
[21] For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,
[22] Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:
[23] All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

Concerning food given to idols in the Word of God: Paul teaches on this subject. First, in 1 Corinthians 8:4-13

1 Corinthians 8:4-13
[4] As concerning therefore the eating of those things that are offered in sacrifice unto idols, we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one.
[5] For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many,)
[6] But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.
[7] Howbeit there is not in every man that knowledge: for some with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat it as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled.
[8] But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, are we the better; neither, if we eat not, are we the worse.
[9] But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak.
[10] For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols;
[11] And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died?
[12] But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.
[13] Wherefore, if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

What he is saying is that eating meat offered to an idol is not immoral, because “an idol is nothing at all.” An idol is a dead inanimate object. “Food,” will not bring us near to God; we are no worse if we do not eat, and no better if we do.” The meat itself is dead and has no loyalties to anyone. But we’re to be considerate to the brother with a weak conscience. The “weaker” brother is not someone who simply objects to a certain practice, but one who is in danger of falling into sin. Some believers, especially those with a background of idol worship, were still very sensitive concerning this issue and considered it morally wrong to eat meat sacrificed to idols. Under no circumstances, Paul says, should a believer encourage another believer to violate his conscience. Even though God “richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment,” as found in 1 Timothy 6:17 and Genesis 6:9.

Titus 1:15 Unto the pure all things are pure: but unto them that are defiled and unbelieving is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.

To the one with a weak conscience, meat taken from pagan temples was spiritually defiling to them. Especially if they came out of pagan and idol worshipping. Paul is saying it would be better never to eat meat again than to cause a believer to sin against his conscience. The "weaker" brother again, means one who is weak in the faith and in danger of falling into sin. Some consider meat to be defiled, and for them it is, since they must follow their conscience. Their view should be respected by other Christians with a stronger conscience. Love dictates that all Christians make allowances for their weaker brothers. This is what the Word of God says. It will not defile you unless there has been witchcraft attached to it. Paul's opinion also was that if eating meat would cause someone to fall, even if it wasn't wrong, then he wouldn't eat meat in 1 Corinthians 8:13. (Concerning the weaker ones: Acts 15:28-29)

1 Corinthians 10:31 For if I by grace be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks?

Romans 14:1-6
1 Him that is weak in the faith receive ye, but not to doubtful disputations.
2 For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs.
3 Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him.
4 Who art thou that judgest another man's servant? to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up: for God is able to make him stand.
5 One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day alike. Let every man be fully persuaded in his own mind.
6 He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it. He that eateth, eateth to the Lord, for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth God thanks.

4. The mouth can also defile you.

1 Corinthians 15:33 Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

James 3:6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

Your mouth can release poison into your life. Your mouth can pollute your destiny. Your mouth can make your destiny to stammer. Each word you speak without allowing the Holy Spirit to lead you has the potential to cause you to become spiritually defiled. This is a very, very serious matter. Death and life is in the power of your tongue Proverbs 18:21 tells us. What are you speaking? Life or death? Blessings or cursings. This in part is why Jesus Christ said this.

Matthew 5:37 But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil.

James 5:12 But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and your nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.

Matthew 12:36-37
[36] But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.
[37] For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

Ephesians 4:29-31

[29] Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.
[30] And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
[31] Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

(2 Timothy 2:16; Colossians 3:8-9; Proverbs 17:20; James 3:2-13)

5. **Death defiles.** Abortions, miscarriages produce death and a defilement of death. Family planning which does not prevent conception but rather causes chemical/physical/medical abortions is a defilement because the spirit of sacrifice is released and breaks the commandment not to kill. (Exodus 20:13) The word kill in this verse is **Strong's H7523** ***rāṣaḥ:*** murder, slay; with premeditation according to Brown-Driver-Briggs Lexicon. (Qal word usage in the Hebrew)

Abortions. (Leviticus 18:21; 20:3; Deuteronomy 18:10)
All forms of abortions defiles, understand this very well. Aborted children are being sacrificed to a demon called 'molech'.

2 Kings 23:10 And he defiled Topheth, which is in the valley of the children of Hinnom, that no man might make his son or his daughter to pass through the fire to Molech.
(2 Kings 16:3; 2 Chronicles 28:3; 33:6; Jeremiah 32:35; Ezekiel 16:20-21)

Shedding of blood also defiles and this a very, very serious matter. (Isaiah 59:3; Exodus 20:13; Genesis 9:2-6) This refers to the killing of man who is made in God's image. To take a life is in direct violation of Father God's Command. Dead bodies are considered by Father God as unclean.

Numbers 19:11-15
[11] He that toucheth the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days.
[12] He shall purify himself with it on the third day, and on the seventh day he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day he shall not be clean. [13] Whosoever toucheth the dead body of any man that is dead, and purifieth not himself, defileth the tabernacle of the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel:

because the water of separation was not sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his uncleanness is yet upon him.
[14] This is the law, when a man dieth in a tent: all that come into the tent, and all that is in the tent, shall be unclean seven days.[15] And every open vessel, which hath no covering bound upon it, is unclean.

There's more than one reason why Jesus Christ said to the man, "Let the dead bury the dead," who wanted to bury his father before following him in Luke 9:60. This is in my understanding, because when a person has died, those spirits surrounding the circumstances of the person's death still reside on or near the body including witchcraft curses, enchantments and spells. In the time we live in where people are in caskets that are left open for people to touch the body at any time of the viewing or funeral can activate witchcraft. It can also trigger a type of hidden agreement and such like for access into your lives. Remember funerals are one of the many places witches choose to gather, manipulate those who attend with familiar spirits and it's openly encouraged to receive comfort, hugs and support from all who come in these types of settings…also in hospital settings. Many agreements unknowingly are formed in such like circumstances. This is why it's imperative to be led by the sweet Holy Ghost Spirit in all ways. (John 16:13; Proverbs 3:5-6; Psalms 37:23)

The wise thing to do is to stay prayed up and pray your spiritual warfare prayers in faith in Jesus Christ's Name before heading into any place especially like funerals, hospitals, clinics and such like which are constantly defiled, and regular spiritual cleansing is necessary. Actions carried out which produce death, defiles. Taking overdose of drugs defiles. Bitterness and hatred, which leads to murder; defiles. These are ways in which the enemy has carefully, constructively, put structures in place to pollute the lives of people who do not know where their battle is coming from.

1 John 3:14-15
[14] We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death.
[15] Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him. So hatred makes you spiritually dead…you're spirit is polluted and defiled. We are called to love one another.

[34] A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.
[35] By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

7. **Sexual pollution too can defile the people and the land.** Sexual sin not only defiles and pollutes the spirit but pollutes the body within.

Hebrews 13:4 Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.

Sexual impurity, inordinate affections, foolish fondness, teddy-bear husbands, teddy-bear wives, insatiable sex, unlawful sexual intercourse/fornication/beastiality and such like,

spirit husbands & wives and such like all defile the body and the spirit. (Leviticus 18:6-29; Isaiah 47:8-13; Romans 1:18-32)

Leviticus 19:29 Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness.

When you're in an area where prostitution is active, then know that witchcraft is working abundantly in that area. Prostitution originates through witchcraft practices. There are not just female prostitutes; the male customers are also prostitutes whether they realize it or not. All the scientific toys for fornication and buying sex toys pollute and defile the body inside. These sex toys and such like are not how God created for man and woman to come together. Most are enchanted, bewitched, cursed and even accursed items that cause you to introduce demons into your life and in some instances your body. In addition in most cases it causes spiritual and physical harm. When you agree to such things you have made an agreement with the kingdom of darkness to allow this intrusion into your life. Incest defiles both the victim and the relative. Masturbation, rape, lust, pornography (master defiler), wandering lustful eyes, bestiality, dwelling on sexual flashbacks memories, preoccupation with sexual desires, abnormal sexual appetite, filthy communications (using text messages, using video chats and sch like are all used as agents of defilement), filthy conversations transgenderism, sexual confusion such as lesbianism/homosexuality, wandering minds, frog spirit/perverse spirit and so much more. Human beings have defiled themselves in so many ways, with so many activities that they are stinking into the nostrils of Father God and all of heaven. (Romans 8:2-10; 13:13-14)

1 Thessalonians 4:2-7
[2] For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
[3] For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:
[4] That every one of you should know how to possess his vessel in sanctification and honour;
[5] Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:
[6] That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.
[7] For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.

Matthew 5:27-28
[27] Ye have heard that it was said by them of old time, Thou shalt not commit adultery:
[28] But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

1 Corinthians 6:18-20
[18] Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.
[19] What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?
[20] For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

1 John 2:15-16

[15] Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
[16] For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

Colossians 3:5-6
[5] Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:
[6] For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

8. **Making and serving idols defiles**. Idols defile and this is a great problem where idol worship is common because they keep defiling and defiling.

Ezekiel 20:7; 16-19; 30-31
[7] Then said I unto them, Cast ye away every man the abominations of his eyes, and defile not yourselves with the idols of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.

[16] Because they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols.
[17] Nevertheless mine eye spared them from destroying them, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderness.
[18] But I said unto their children in the wilderness, Walk ye not in the statutes of your fathers, neither observe their judgments, nor defile yourselves with their idols:
[19] I am the Lord your God; walk in my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them;

[30] Wherefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God; Are ye polluted after the manner of your fathers? and commit ye whoredom after their abominations?
[31] For when ye offer your gifts, when ye make your sons to pass through the fire, ye pollute yourselves with all your idols, even unto this day: and shall I be enquired of by you, O house of Israel? As I live, saith the Lord God, I will not be enquired of by you.

Matthew 10:37 He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

Matthew 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. (Colossians 2:8; Romans 1:17-24)

Colossians 3:2-3
[2] Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.
[3] For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

9. **Medical defilement.** You can be drugging your body with poison, you can be using drugs with questionable origin, you can be putting yourself under the curse of trusting the arm of the flesh.
Through medicine, a person can be subjected to invasion, violation, ravishing and spoiling of the integrity or the wholeness of his or her being; if the person is not careful. It is important to pray earnestly before going into any medical treatment. (Luke 18:1)

1 Thessalonians 5:17-18
[17] Pray without ceasing.
[18] In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Philippians 4:6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

Ephesians 6:18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

10. **Drugs can defile**. There are many dangerous drugs that people take now. They don't even care whether it passes the scientific basis for taking it or not; they just pump it into their body. Taking such things creates an agreement that gives the kingdom of darkness/demons legal access to your life and atmosphere. There are many demons linked to drugs, even hard drugs. Illegal drugs are even worse. There is a specific spirit, aligning with some of the drugs that people take that invade their body. You have to be very very careful. It is not medically prescribed and you're prescribing drugs for yourself, you may be afflicting yourself with defilement. Your body is now holy once you have accepted Jesus Christ into your hearts and call Him your Lord.

Revelation 9:21 Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

Revelation 18:23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

Galatians 5:20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, (Witchcraft in this verse is Pharakeia.)

Sorceries: Strong's **#5331:** ***pharmakeia*** (pronounced far-mak-i'-ah)
Thayer's Greek Lexicon:
pharmakeia
1) the use or the administering of drugs
2) poisoning
3) sorcery, magical arts, often found in connection with idolatry and fostered by it
4) metaphorically the deceptions and seductions of idolatry

1 Corinthians 3:16-17

[16] Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?
[17] If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20
[19] What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?
[20] For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Romans 6:11-16
[11] Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.
[12] Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.
[13] Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.
[14] For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.
[15] What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.
[16] Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

11. **Cursed materials/items in your house will defile the house/location.**

Deuteronomy 7:25-28
[25] The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire the silver or gold that is on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therein: for it is an abomination to the Lord thy God.
[26] Neither shalt thou bring an abomination into thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing.

Deuteronomy 13:12-17
[12] If thou shalt hear say in one of thy cities, which the Lord thy God hath given thee to dwell there, saying,
[13] Certain men, the children of Belial, are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn the inhabitants of their city, saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which ye have not known;
[14] Then shalt thou enquire, and make search, and ask diligently; and, behold, if it be truth, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought among you;
[15] Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, and all that is therein, and the cattle thereof, with the edge of the sword.
[16] And thou shalt gather all the spoil of it into the midst of the street thereof, and shalt burn with fire the city, and all the spoil thereof every whit, for the Lord thy God: and it shall be an heap for ever; it shall not be built again.
[17] And there shall cleave nought of the cursed thing to thine hand: that the Lord may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, as he hath sworn unto thy fathers;

Joshua 6:17-18
[17] And the city shall be accursed, even it, and all that are therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.
[18] And ye, in any wise keep yourselves from the accursed thing, lest ye make yourselves accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.

Houses/locations can be defiled. If you are living in a defiled house, this can cause issues with the house. When things related to idol worship are inside the house, the house will be defiled. When a lot of sexual sin has been carried out in that house and there is no cleansing, the house will be defiled. It can become accursed if not cleansed in Jesus Christ's Name.

Items like old evil love letters and the evil photos in the house can cause a house to be defiled. When things are in the house and you don't even know where they are coming from, and you have not prayed about them; the house will/can be defiled as you may need to get rid of them. When you fill the house with things that have become gods in your life, like all kinds of collections of clothes, money, and jewelry that you don't need, which is lust…the over abundance of something not needed; the house will be defiled. If items related to satan worship are in the house, things related to astrology, horoscopes, pornographic materials or internet viewing, any demonic representations such as spirit of death and skulls in dragons, materials related to false religion, fake religion, related to secret societies, certain children's books that encourage witchcraft, good luck charms and all kinds of fetish items and magic items in the house; the house of course; will be defiled. These things need to be removed from the home and the house and atmosphere spiritually cleansed through prayer and anointing of the home in Jesus Christ's Name. If any items are accursed, then they must be destroyed by fire. Achan is one example in the Word of God. (Joshua 7:19-26)

And once a house/location is defiled:
- Sometimes, there is sudden chronic sickness.
- Sometimes, there are recurring bad dreams and nightmares.
- Sometimes, there is insomnia and religious filthiness.
- Sometimes, there are behavioral problems because the house is defiled.

Note: People can be cursed: 2 Peter 2:14; 2 Kings 9:34; Deuteronomy 27:15-26; Jeremiah 11:3; 17:5)

12. **Foundational bondage can defile a man.**

These are generation or hereditary curses/agreements/covenants and can affect a person's blood line, your family lineage.

These verses show that these are real.

Numbers 14:18 The LORD is longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.

Exodus 20:5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;

Exodus 34:5-7
5 And the Lord descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the Lord.
6 And the Lord passed by before him, and proclaimed, The Lord, The Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,
7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth generation.

Ezekiel 18:19-20
19 Yet say ye, Why? doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son hath done that which is lawful and right, and hath kept all my statutes, and hath done them, he shall surely live.
20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

John 9:1-3
1 And as Jesus passed by, he saw a man which was blind from his birth.
2 And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?
3 Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. (Leviticus 26:39-42)
In these verses we can tell that generational curses are real and existed in Jesus Christ's day. These would be those that are caused by some type of an agreement or covenant made to a false god…a demon, fallen angel or nephilim. Then demons spirits (familiar spirits) would be attached to that family line until it's broken by the family line ending or through accepting Jesus Christ the truth into your heart as Lord.

Jesus Christ freed us of sin and broke the curse of death.

Galatians 3:10 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

John 14:6

John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:36 He whom the Son sets free, is free indeed. (Through Bible changes now says: If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.)

The truth is this: the devil is present everywhere there is darkness. Wherever there is spiritual darkness, there the devil will be. Darkness is the absence of God who is light, darkness is the absence of light. If we tolerate darkness through tolerance of sin, through defilement; we make ourselves vulnerable to spiritual attacks. Wherever there is willful disobedience to God, there is spiritual darkness and potential for demonic activity.

1 John 1:6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

Matthew 6:22-23
[22] The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light.
[23] But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!

What do we do, **how do we cleanse ourselves from defilement**?
1. We need to surrender our life to Jesus Christ if we haven't already. (Romans 10:9-10; 13; Colossians 1:14)
2. You carry out spiritual research on your life through the Holy Ghost's help to seek out anything in our lives and homes that need to be repented of, changed or removed. (1 Corinthians 2:10; John 14:26; 16:13)
3. Repent from every known and/or unknown sin. (Acts 2:38; 3:19; Revelation 2:5; 2 Corinthians 7:10)
4. Forgive those who have offended you. (Matthew 6:14-15; Matthew 18:20-22)
5. Break every ungodly soul tie and agreement, covenant and such like with the kingdom of darkness and renounce them in Jesus Christ's Name. (Psalms 129:4; 1 Corinthians 6:16; 2 Corinthians 6:14; 1 Samuel 18:1; Psalms 2:3; Proverbs 5:22; Isaiah 61:1)
6. Cast out these evil spirits and their effects. (Matthew 16:19; 18:18; Luke 10:19)
7. Ask God/ Jesus Christ to cleanse you and our atmosphere in Jesus Christ's Name. Anoint yourself and home/location. (1 John 1:7; 9; 2 Chronicles 29:15-18; Leviticus 8:10; Exodus 30:26-30; 40:9; Genesis 28:18; Leviticus 8:12; 1 Samuel 16:13)
8. Ask God to reverse the consequences of all those items that have caused pollution in your life. These consequences can be actual curses (ill spoken words) issued in holy judgment against you because the Word of God warns and tells of the consequences of sin, even if it is an unknown sin we have committed. Examples: (Malachi 2:1-3; 3:6-12; Deuteronomy 28:15-68; 2 kings 22:10-20; 2 Kings 20:19; Amos 4)

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

Jude 24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

Romans 12:1-2
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.
2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Isaiah 1:16-20
16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;
17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.
18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.
19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:
20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

2 Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Proverbs 25: 26 A righteous man falling down before the wicked is as a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring.

(Ezekiel 36:25-29; Psalms 51:10; Philippians 4:8; Revelation 1:5)

Please pray about all these things, try, test and discern them. Line them up with the Word of God in Jesus Christ's Name. (1 John 4:1-4; 15; 2 John 2; 1 Corinthians 12:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:21)

What does 1 Corinthians 11:5 mean about a woman's head being covered?

5 But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven.

So many people today will not study this verse thoroughly or even study the whole content surrounding it in verses 1-16. Nor do they realize this appears to be actually referring to the men and women in a church setting...a service.

In addition this verse is not only concerning women that prophesy, but all women WHO PRAY!

There's more to this than the obvious assumption. 2 Timothy 2:15 says 'Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.'

I will not be voicing an opinion but simply laying out what I have found in my studies and ask you to take all these things to Jesus Christ in prayer.

Let's begin at the beginning of 1 Corinthians 11 in Jesus Christ's name. Verse 2 is where our lovely Jesus Christ first began showing me this understanding.

1 Corinthians 11:1-2.

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

2 Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you.

Definition of Ordinance: a piece of legislation enacted by a municipal authority; an authoritative order; a decree; a prescribed religious rite (rite means: a religious or other solemn ceremony or act: a body of customary observances characteristic of a Church or a part of it:)

Strong's definition: G3862 =Greek word 'paradosis' which means: (concretely) a precept; specially, the Jewish traditionary law:—ordinance, tradition.

Paul in 1 Corinthians is addressing the Corinthian church and in chapter 11 among others in the Word of God appears to be talking about a church service, a gathering where the holy scriptures are shared and worship occurs in Jesus Christ's name.

We see when he tells us to keep the ordinances he delivers to them...to us, the ordinances according to the Strong's definition appears to mean a precept. An order but in the tradition of their day.

Now that this is understood Lord willing I will break down the verses for clarity and understanding in Jesus Christ's name. Sweet Holy Spirit please teach us as John 14:26 says you will do.

Please remember as we start this that just as words today can mean different things in different circumstances, so does this occur in the translation of the Holy Bible and the Greek words themselves. To clarify I will be adding at times the Thayer's Greek Lexicon information also, Lord willing. All this information can be found at the wwwblueletterbible.org site.

1 Corinthians 11:3 But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

The phrase 'the head' both times is the Greek word '*kephalē*' Strong's number G2726 and means : literally or figuratively:—head. In this verse it means figuratively.

Thayer's Greek Lexicon: of a husband in relation to his wife, 1 Corinthians 11:3; Ephesians 5:23; of Christ, the lord of the husband, 1 Corinthians 11:3 (cf. Buttmann, 124f (109)); of the church, Ephesians 4:15; Ephesians 5:23; Colossians 2:19

To understand the meaning of whether a woman should have her head covered or uncovered when she prays and speaks prophetically, I feel one must know what the key phrases mean in 1 Corinthians 11:4-6. The phrases 'her head' and the word 'uncovered' among others. The word head can be figurative or literal. Some teach that the phrase 'her head' refers only to the woman's husband's authority over her. If she has a husband, then he is the head of his wife or her

authority. I agree. Because the man is the ordained head of his house and Jesus Christ is over the man and the church. (Ephesians 5:22-25)

But in this instance it appears in 1 Corinthians 11:4-6 this is not the English equivalent of the Greek word used here. I have found the Greek word for "head" is *kephale* and is the normal Greek word for the anatomical head that is supported by a person's neck.

There are times in the Word of God the word *kephale* is used to refer to the chief or head cornerstone (Ps. 118:22, etc.) and a few times I have found so far that it refers to someone's hair. (1 Corinthians 11:5; Mat 10:30, etc.) Otherwise, the word is used 69 times to refer to the anatomical "head" or "heads" in the New Testament.(Mat 5:36;26:7; Act 18:18;Rom 12:20; 1Co 12:21; Rev 1:14; 9:17, etc.) That is, "her head" does not refer to her husband but to her own physical head in 1 Corinthians 5-6). Paul is discussing a woman covering her physical head.... her hair!

1 Corinthians 11:4-6

4 Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonoureth his head.

5 But every woman that prayeth or prophesieth with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven.

In verse 4 the Greek word head is the Greek word '*kephalē*' also. It's Strong's number G2726

Strong's definition : literally or figuratively:—head.

In verse 5 in the Greek it's the phrase 'with [her] head and is the same Greek word '*kephalē*' Strong's number G2726 and same usage as verse 4 which means : literally or figuratively:—head.

Thayer's Greek Lexicon: the head, both of men and often; and of animals in these verses: Matthew 5:36; Mark 6:24; Luke 7:38, 44 (Rec.),46; John 13:9;

Acts 18:18; 1 Corinthians 11:4; Revelation 1:14; Revelation 4:4, and often; and of animals: Revelation 9:7, 17, 19, etc.;

In verse 5 the word dishonoureth is the Greek word '*kataischynō* ' G2617. \

Strong's definition: to shame down, i.e. disgrace or (by implication) put to the blush:—confound, dishonour, (be a-, make a-)shame(-d).

Thayer's Greek Lexicon: to dishonor, disgrace: found in 1 Corinthians 11:5.

The word uncovered is the Greek word *akatakalyptos* Strong's number G177.

Strong's definition: uncovered-unveiled

Thayer's Greek Lexicon: not covered, unveiled: 1 Corinthians 11:5, 13.

The phrase 'she were shaven' is the Greek word *xyraō* Strong's number G3587 which is a derivative of the Greek word *xylon* (G3586)

Strong's definition: (meaning a razor); to shave or "shear" the hair:—shave.

6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.

The word shorn in verse 6 is the Greek word *keirō* and is Strong's number G2751.

Strong's definition: to shear:—shear(-er).

Thayer's Greek Lexicon: absolutely, of shearing or cutting short the hair of the head, 1 Corinthians 11:6

One can see from 1 Corinthians 11:5 that Paul is concerned about women whose heads are bald or shaved since he says, "with her head uncovered dishonoureth her head: for that is even all one as if she were shaven." It is also important to notice that in verse 6 the Greek word that is translated as "cut off" is *keirō* which means "to shear or cut off."

We also see in Acts 8:32 the Greek word *keirō* is used of a "shearer" of a lamb. A shearer completely removes all of the lamb's "hair." Also, in verse 6 the Greek word for 'shaved' is *xyraō*. The word is a derivative, meaning it comes from the word *xylon* which means a 'razor.' In ancient times a razor was used to trim beards. By comparing these 2 Greek words and their meanings *keiro* with *xyrao* we discover that Paul is referring to a woman's hair that has been completely cut off, as one shears sheep or her hair that has been cut and shortened by a razor.

Now let's jump down, Lord willing to 1 Corinthians 11: 15.

In 1 Corinthians 11:15, Paul says that a woman's long hair is the covering that God has given her and should be worn long.

15 But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering.

The Greek word for glory is *doxa* Strongs number G1391.

Strong's definition: glory (as very apparent), in a wide application (literal or figurative, objective or subjective):—dignity, glory(-ious), honour, praise, worship.

Thayer's Greek Lexicon:to be a glory, ornament, to one, 1 Corinthians 11:15;

In verse 15 the phrase 'have long hair' is the Greek word *komaō.*

Strong's definition: to wear tresses of hair:—have long hair.

Thayer's Greek Lexicon to let the hair grow, have long hair: 1 Corinthians 11:14

A woman's long hair is her glory....her dignity...her honor. Therefore, Paul's reference to uncovered women's heads being a dishonor or a shame to them appears to refer to hair that is very short or bald. This is supported by the Greek word for 'long hair' in verse 15 which is *komaō*. This word refers to hair that is long and not cut short.

This would also mean that Paul is encouraging all the women to show submission by wearing their hair long, that her long hair is her covering. [verses 4, 5, 6] If the glory and honor is the woman's hair and it's called their covering, it appears the dishonorment, the shame and the uncovering of the woman's hair mentioned in verse 5 is in the cutting of her long hair or shaving her head. This also appears to mean a woman should not have her hair cut short as men typically wear their hair. What the typical hair length was for a man in biblical days I do not know. That would be for another study Lord willing.

Paul's discussion continues until verse 16 in 1 Corinthians chapter 11. In this last verse he makes an important statement that this is a universal and divine principle that all of the churches are to follow.

16 But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.

This means in my understanding, if anyone wants to be contentious (argumentative), they are arguing against this common practice among the churches. The fact that Paul is saying, "All of the other churches are following this custom or habit."

Let me say this, I have been in mighty services of God when the Holy Spirit would be moving and a prophetic word would come forth from men and women alike because God has no respect of persons. (Romans 2:11) Not once did I witness a woman under the power of the Holy Spirit stop to cover her head before the holy word came forth and these words given under the power of the Holy Spirit that 'did' prove true at a later time.

At other times, in the church I grew up in, the women and men would gather at the altar and aid in praying for a lost soul to be saved and that person would accept Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior...with the women's heads uncovered and without a veil. Not to mention praying for someone to be healed..and they were healed! So, you be the judge. We are to watch the fruit of each person's life. (Matthew 7:16-23)

In the end we are all equal in our God's eyes, but the male and female bodies have some differences in our creation because the woman was taken out of the man's ribs. But when we are called to work for our lovely Jesus Christ....

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. Galatians 3:28

Please pray about all this information and ask Jesus Christ to reveal his truth to you.

Thank you and God bless.

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When false prophet's prophecies sometimes come true.

Vicki Goforth Parnell 8-31-24

The question was asked in Telegram what is divination and how can false prophet's prophecies sometimes come true. Here is my prayerful answer with some of the things I have learned myself so far.

Divination is the effort to obtain insight into a question or situation by way of an occultic, standardized process, or ritual. To engage in divination is to reveal mysterious knowledge by supernatural practices. It is correlated with the occult and involves fortune-telling or soothsaying, as it used to be called. Those practicing divination are able through fallen angels, demons and in the past technology at times to foretell future events. Some of the ways besides the looking glass technology the enemy once used are: the enemy reads the stars. The stars are like God's announcement of who He has created us to be. For example Jesus Christ's star announced that He, the Messiah, had come into the world. So another person's star might say. He is called to go to college, become wealthy or preach the gospel.

Another way the enemy makes things appear to come true is by manipulation. The pre-arrangement of circumstances by dreams, through people such as witches and direct demonic influences to name a few. Things I have run into in these circumstances where a false prophet's word and such like comes true: Through monitoring spirits that spy on the true prophets and children of God. They read or hear what's been received from God and then tell it to their false prophet who then releases the information in the name of God. Sometimes even before the real one releases it. It can be a demon spirit or an astral projector doing the spying. The astral projector can even be the false prophet. The enemy studies the Word of God and has the ability at times when prophetic things are given to interpret God's meaning before most of his children. They recognize God's terminology from past judgments they've lived through and the seasons transpiring in our world. What happens before will happen again. (Ecclesiastes 1:9)

But some of their favorites are to have their false prophet foretell an event that they then arrange to happen. The demons can by supernatural means protect someone from harm if the prophetic words involve danger. For example it's been prophesied that a movie star and friends will be in a plane crash but the movie star will survive. The event happens. The movie star might be wounded but still alive. The enemy can supernaturally protect that person keeping them from death because of their covenant with the kingdom of darkness. Proving in the eyes of the world the person was a true prophet. Unless it's that movie star's time to die by God's calendar and He steps in. Then at this time the false prophet is exposed.

There's an example of divination in the Holy Bible where Paul cast out the demon inside a woman operating in this spirit that knew and told about who Paul was. This is found in Acts 16:26. Another example is through dreams. A woman is given a word that a man from her past would re enter her life. She would also have a dream of him the night before they are to meet. She is told he would have a dream of her also. The next day she feels very strongly (demonic witchcraft influence) to go to a new restaurant for lunch. Why not ? It couldn't hurt. As she's

eating a man walks in. It's the man from her past she was given the word about. (Who is actually involved in witchcraft and it's a setup.) They end up talking. She tells the man she dreamed of him and he said he dreamed of her. (Witchcraft lies and manipulation) But to the woman she is a sold out believer the person who gave the word is genuine. In addition she has just let the devil into her life to create chaos in many ways.

These are only a few of the ways a false prophet's word and such like can come true. The enemy doesn't have any remorse in deceiving and destroying your life. This again is why it is imperative to always try, test, discern and pray about all things in Jesus Christ's Name.

Why Hebrews 10:25? 11-29-23

Hebrews 10:25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

Why gather together? Why is it important besides the obvious reason of encouraging (Exhorting) one another?

And as I pondered and prayed on this, many things came to me . But only one thing and one thing alone stands out predominantly and that is because it's an opportunity to come into God's holy presence together and worship and offer praise unto our King Jesus Christ, the Lord of All with other believers in Christ. But what does it mean to worship, to truly worship God? We are called to worship. We are created to worship God in the beauty of holiness.

Psalms 95:6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker.

Psalms 29:2 Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

When we come into His presence we are supposed to leave the cares of our lives at the door of the building whether it be a church, an internet video screen or someone else's or your home and come with open arms, open abandonment into God's presence. He is a holy God. Just in all His ways and deserves all our praises.

John 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

To worship in spirit means : To love Him with heart, soul, mind and strength (body). True worship must be 'in spirit' meaning one engages their whole heart….their whole being. Unless there's a real passion for God and Jesus Christ, then there is no true worshiping in the spirit.

At the same time worship must be 'in truth.' That is meaning properly informed. Having a balance of knowledge of the Word of God (John 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.) as well as a worshiper's heart. This way by knowing his word you will be less likely to be deceived should the enemy try to come in…and he will. But we know the remedy for that too in Jesus Christ's Name. It's found in James 4:7, Luke 10:19 and Matthew 18:18.

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

Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

Matthew 18:18 Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

But we are also instructed to worship or to sacrifice unto Him in our bodies also!

Romans 12:1-2
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.
2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect will of God.

When you come into your Heavenly Father's presence and you worship Him in unconditional surrender or even as some say reckless abandonment then you are empowering Him full access into your life to be able to work the impossible in all your present and future situations. Even taking the things from the past working all things for our good for those who love him. (Romans 8:28) But what is the difference between praising our God and worshiping Him?

I found an article written by 'Got Questions Ministries' who gives an earnest explanation of both: Praise is the joyful recounting of all God has done for us. It is closely intertwined with thanksgiving as we offer back to God appreciation for His mighty works on our behalf. We are commanded to give Praise unto our God.

Romans 15:11 And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles; and laud him, all ye people.

Worship however, comes from a different place within our spirits. Worship should be reserved for God alone (Luke 4:8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.). Worship is the art of losing self in the adoration of another. Praise can be a part of worship, but worship goes beyond praise. Praise is easy; worship is not. Worship gets to the heart of who we are. To truly worship God, we must let go of our self-worship. We must be willing to humble ourselves before God, surrender every part of our lives to His control, and adore Him for who He is, not just what He has done. Worship is a lifestyle, not just an occasional activity. Jesus said the Father is seeking those who will worship Him "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:23 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.).

In the Word of God praise is usually presented as boisterous, joyful, and uninhibited. God invites praise of all kinds from His creation. Jesus said that if people don't praise God even the "stones will cry out" (Luke 19:40 And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.).

When the Bible mentions worship, however, the tone changes. We read verses like:

Psalms 96:9 O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness: fear before him, all the earth.

Psalms 95:6 O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the LORD our maker. Often, worship is coupled with the act of bowing or kneeling, which shows humility and contrition.

Examples such as:

2 Chronicles 29:28 And all the congregation worshiped, and the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded: and all this continued until the burnt offering was finished.;

Hebrews 11:21 By faith Jacob, when he was a dying, blessed both the sons of Joseph; and worshiped, leaning upon the top of his staff.;

Revelation 19:10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellow servant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

It is through true worship that we invite the Holy Spirit to speak to us, convict us, and comfort us. Through worship we realign our priorities with God's and acknowledge Him once more as the rightful Lord of our lives. We submit from our hearts and not vain fickle lips our thankfulness to our God and Jesus Christ our Savior who died for us.

God intended Man to worship and serve Him in the days of the Holy Bible and even unto this current time we live in. We are called to worship him. He has not changed nor will he ever.

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever.

Malachi 3:6 For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.
Isaiah 43:7 Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

Isaiah 43:12 This people have I formed for myself; they shall shew forth my praise.
When we come together in unity, worshiping our God, hearing his word teached and/or preached we can grow strength from one another. Our testimonies can inspire and encourage one another. Remember the Word of God says,“they are made overcomers by the Blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony.” (Revelation 12:11) But please make sure you are only going where the Holy Spirit leads you and if he’s leading and not you, then it will be a meeting whether in a church, internet meeting or other buildings where the full gospel of Jesus Christ is believed and shared and not just pieces of it that are picked and chosen to believe in.

It’s time for the true believers of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to arise from their slumber! Rub the sleep from your eyes and shake the dust off your clothes. It’s time to start coming before our God in Jesus Christ’s name in humble worship and praise. It’s time for us to leave all our ‘junk’ and all our ‘stuff” at the feet of Jesus Christ and pick up our garments of praise and no longer offer unto Him a half-hearted, lukewarm praise. It’s time to worship in spirit and in truth, wholeheartedly no matter where you are…alone or with others.

He is a just God. A kind God who is full of love, mercy and compassion and He is long suffering unto man. But He will not always be long suffering for one day we will stand before Him as our

Righteous Judge. Then it will be too late to offer our praise and worship unto Him. So let's let the cares of our lives and the tiredness of our bodies go and come together in mind and/or in our bodies and worship together in love and unity. Let us become the church that Jesus Christ has called us to be. That city on the hill, that beacon of hope for all to see. (Matthew 5:14)

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What the Holy Bible Says About Divorce & Remarriage 2-13-24 Updated 9-7-26
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Hebrews 13:4 Marriage is honourable in all, and the bed undefiled: but whoremongers and adulterers God will judge.

Genesis 2:24 Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

What does the Word of God actually say about divorce and remarriage? Lord willing, with His help I shall give an explanation to the Scriptures as I understand them. I will present the evidence, but you must seek the Lord Jesus Christ for His truth and interpretation in all things for yourself and how to proceed if you find yourself in this situation or in need to help someone else. I have included some of the verses found in the Word of God, so if the Lord leads, please continue to research this matter further in Jesus Christ's Name yourself, Lord willing, with sweet Holy Spirit's help.

Please note that in all of these passages of Scripture Paul is speaking to those who are already believers in Jesus Christ who are already in the body, the church. This is the holy instructions the children of God are to adhere to, Lord willing. They do not apply to the sinner who is already in disobedience and rebellion against the living God Jehovah, Yahweh, and His Son Jesus Christ. Now when someone accepts Jesus Christ into their hearts that was a sinner, then from that point forward these are the instructions that are to be applied to their lives concerning marriage and remarrying. Remember once you are born again through Jesus Christ your past sins are forgiven and you start with a clean slate with Him. Now let's begin.

To begin with, let's clarify the biblical definition of a marriage. It is a legal contract between one man and one woman who unite and become as one flesh in the eyes of Father God. It is a holy union. When you get married you are taking a binding oath before God, before witnesses, and before the law. This oath is meant to last for a lifetime, but as we know sometimes things change. So, what does the Bible say about marrying and remarrying?

Remarrying after death

When either the man or wife dies in a marriage then the remaining person has fulfilled the vow until its end. The remaining person who is alive is no longer bound by that marriage vow that lasted until the death of their spouse. They can remarry if they choose in the Lord. This is an allowance but not a requirement.

1 Corinthians 7:8-9; 39
[8]I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, it is good for them if they abide even as I.
[9]But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn. By these verses in the instruction from Paul we see he's talking to those who have lost their spouses and form spiritual or ministry reasons he is recommending that they

remain single. However, he's clearly telling the person they can remarry who is in the position of widow or widower.

[39] The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.

Romans 7:2 For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to her husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law of her husband.
What does the Holy Bible say about divorce?

First, let's determine by Holy Scriptures what Father God in Heaven thinks about divorce.

Malachi 2:14-16
[14] Yet ye say, Wherefore? Because the LORD hath been witness between thee and the wife of thy youth, against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.
[15]And did not he make one? Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one? That he might seek a godly seed. Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.
[16] For the LORD, the God of Israel, saith that he hateth putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts: therefore take heed to your spirit, that ye deal not treacherously.

Father God hates divorce. Marriage was created to be a lifetime commitment according to the Bible and when one is joined in marriage, they become one flesh in the eyes of God.

Matthew 19:15-16
[5]And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?
[6] Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

Moses had allowed the children of Israel to give laws through God for divorce as found in Deuteronomy 24 listed below. But we know in Matthew 19:8 Jesus Christ clarified that these laws were given because of the hardness of the people's hearts not because God desired it.

Deuteronomy 24:1-4
[1] When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house.
[2]And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife.
[3] And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth it in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which
took her to be his wife;

[4] Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that is abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

Matthew 19:8He saith unto them, Moses because of the hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away your wives: but from the beginning it was not so.

Reasons to be able to divorce according to the Holy Bible

1. Desertion:

In the below verses 1 Corinthians 7:11-15 we find how Paul is instructing through the Lord, instructions for the married couple and how the wife shouldn't depart from her husband but if she has, she is to remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband but not after either one has been remarried to other people. (Discussed below)The husband is instructed not to put her away, to divorce her. He goes further to address an unbelieving spouse in verses 12 through 15. Verse 15 states but if the unbelieving depart, [leaves, desserts] then to let him depart. A brother or sister is not under bondage in such a case.

1 Corinthians 7:10-15
[10]And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband:
[11]But and if she depart, let her remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband: and let not the husband put away his wife.
[12]But to the rest speak I, not the Lord: If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.
[13]And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him.
[14] For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband: else were your children unclean; but now are they holy.
[15] But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such cases: but God hath called us to peace.

The word bondage in verse 15 is the Strong's Greek word douloo #G1402 and means: enslave literally or figuratively.

The Thayer's Greek Lexicon clarifies it better: under bondage, held by constraint of law or necessity, in some matters.
This means according to the Greek word understanding the believing wife is no longer legally restrained to remain married, and my understanding is she can remarry at this time, but please pray about it in Jesus Christ's Name.

2. Physical abuse?

The Holy Bible doesn't actually address the issue of physical abuse as a justification for divorce, but it does give instructions on how the husband/wife is supposed to treat one another (Remember There's no respect of persons with God. Romans 2:11) in these Scriptures below:

1 Peter 3:7 Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered.

1 Corinthians 7:3 Let the husband render unto his wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband.

Ephesians 5:22-25
[22] Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
[23] For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.
[24] Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.
[25] Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;

If he's professing to be a Christian, he is supposed to act like this:

1 Timothy 6:11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

The Bible commands all Christians to be gentle in their dealings with one another and for husbands to be understanding in their wives and to treat them as 1 Peter 3: 17 says. Therefore, all forms of emotional, verbal, visual, and sexual abuse would be considered sin and forbidden. One thing that can be done is if they attend a church then the Christian woman can call her pastor or some of the elders of the church and after prayer, the husband's actions should immediately be addressed, and he should come under discipline. He should repent. If he does not, he can be excommunicated, which implies that that church will no longer believe in his profession of faith of being saved. It does not make him an unbeliever, but it does declare that that church does not believe he is truly saved. In the eyes of the church the woman is now married to an unbeliever which takes us back to 1 Corinthians 7: 15 which says, but if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or sister is not under bondage in such a case: but God hath called us to peace.

Another point to pray about concerning abuse and desertion in a marriage is it is the abdication of marital responsibility. But you will still need to seek Jesus Christ's will in this matter in such cases.

3. Adultery

Adultery is a biblical ground for divorce but even though it is grounds for divorce, that does not automatically mean if there is adultery/sexual sins committed in the marriage that this is the step you should take. Remember God's desire is for marriages to stay together. However, if adultery is something you cannot work through, if you choose to divorce on those grounds, then you are free to remarry.

Adultery or sexual sins is one of the legitimate reasons one can seek divorce in the eyes of Father God in a marriage. Here are a few of the verses reflecting this.

Matthew 19:9 And I say unto you, Whosoever shall put away his wife, except it be for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth adultery: and whoso marrieth her which is put away doth commit adultery.

Fornication in this verse is Strong's G4202 Porneia which means illicit sexual intercourse, adultery, fornication, homosexuality, lesbianism, intercourse with animals, intercourse with close relatives, with divorced man or woman, etc.

We find most of these listed in Leviticus 20:10-21.

Matthew 5:31-32
[31] It hath been said, Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:
[32]But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.

Again, it is the same word Porneia used for the word fornication in verse 32 also. So, we now know that adultery or sexual sins as we now know it refers to is biblical grounds for divorce for the one in the marriage who remained faithful to their spouse.
Luke 6:18 Whosoever putteth away his wife, and marrieth another, committeth adultery: and whosoever marrieth her that is put away from her husband committeth adultery.
Romans 7:3 [3]So then if, while her husband liveth, she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress: but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to another man.
Mark 10:11-12
[11] And he saith unto them, Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry another, committeth adultery against her.
[12] And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she committeth adultery.

These Scriptures spoken by Jesus Christ also show us that if a divorce is not legitimate on the grounds he supplied from the Holy Scripture, then the remarriage is not legitimate. If the divorce is legitimate then so is the remarriage legitimate. What one can understand from these Scriptures is that adultery seems to untie the marriage knot, but the allowance of remarriage is not explicit. In the above verses it sounds like the woman who is divorced will at some time remarry. If she does, unless her first marriage was dissolved by adultery (on the part of her husband), her second marriage will make her an adulteress. This also goes vice-versa for both the man or woman because God has no respect of a person as Romans 2:11 tells us. It may be legal according to the laws of the land, but it is not sanctioned in God's eyes. These above supplied Scripture clearly state that remarriage after a divorce is adultery, except in the instance of 'marital unfaithfulness or abandonment/desertion.'

4. Remarrying an ex-spouse who has been remarried.

If you are divorced because of adultery and your ex-spouse marries again, and then you're wanting to remarry this same ex-spouse this type of action is called an abomination before the Lord because it is considered a defilement of the body. You're not supposed to remarry that person again according to the Holy Bible. See the verses below.

Deuteronomy 24:1-4
[1] When a man hath taken a wife, and married her, and it come to pass that she find no favour in his eyes, because he hath found some uncleanness in her: then let him write her a bill of divorcement, and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house.
[2] And when she is departed out of his house, she may go and be another man's wife.
[3] And if the latter husband hate her, and write her a bill of divorcement, and giveth it in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house; or if the latter husband die, which
took her to be his wife;
[4] Her former husband, which sent her away, may not take her again to be his wife, after that she is defiled; for that is abomination before the LORD: and thou shalt not cause the land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.

Jeremiah 3:1 They say, If a man put away his wife, and she go from him, and become another man's, shall he return unto her again? shall not that land be greatly polluted? but thou hast played the harlot with many lovers; yet return again to me, saith the LORD.

Even when adultery is committed, a couple can through God's grace, learn to forgive and begin rebuilding their marriage. God has forgiven us so much more. Surely, we can follow His example and even forgive the sin of sexual sins in a marriage (Ephesians 4:32). However, in many instances if a spouse is unrepentant and continues the immoral behavior, that is when a divorce can be given and be accepted by God when done according to His Holy Scripture.

In summary, God's Holy Word makes it clear that Father God hates divorce (Malachi 2:16) and that reconciliation and forgiveness should mark a believer's life. (Luke 11:4; Ephesians 4:32). However, God understands our human nature and recognizes that because of sin divorce will occur, even among His children. A divorced and/or remarried believer should not feel any less loved by God, even if the divorce and/or remarriage is not covered under the legitimate reasons stated in the Holy Word of God. He still loves you and always will. Now it's up to you to seek Him for further clarity.
Please take all of this to prayer in Jesus Christ's Name. Try, test and discern it as we are all called to do who confess Jesus Christ as our Lord as 1 Thessalonians 5:21 & 1 John 4:1instructs us to do. I cannot instruct you on what you should do should you find yourself in a marriage that is not legitimate in God's eyes. You must seek Him for His perfect will and repent of any sins you have committed. He is a just, loving, forgiving God and only He and you know the full circumstances around your situation.

God bless, stay under the blood of Jesus Christ always.

Called to Live Holy & Device Information 4-14-24 Shared 4-15-24

A video teaching. There have been corrections made, some verses added and a few things to bring clarity to what was spoken all added and done with the sweet Holy Ghost Spirit's help in Jesus Christ's Name.

We are all called to live holy in Jesus Christ, in Father God. We are called to live holy, but it is a willful choice to do so. Lord willing, are we going to do that Lord? At the end of this, after I talk about living holy, we're going to talk about devices. Lord, really? The Word says we are not ignorant of the devil's devices.

The Word of God says we are called to live holy, but we are also to live like Jesus Christ. He is our example. He's our High Priest and we are called priests. What does a priest do? They offer sacrifices, a sanctified life, a holy consecrated life that offers up sacrifices and praises to God. Except we do it spiritually. We worship Him in spirit and in truth. Whereas in the old law, the old covenant of Moses, they sacrificed animals. The priest offered the animals, the incense and such like. We are made holy through Jesus Christ by His love, actions and words.

I'm going to read you a few examples of how He consecrated His life for us. But first we're going to start with 1 John 2:6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked. This is talking about Jesus Christ. We know that because in verse one it says,

1 John 2:1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:

So they're talking about Jesus Christ here in verse 6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked. We are supposed to walk like Jesus Christ. We are called to live holy. Some examples before we get into all of the teachings.

1 Corinthians 6:11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

He made all that possible through His holy living and through His actions and his deeds.

1 Peter 2:24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.

There's a slight difference in that, but it all leads to a consecrated life.

Hebrews 10:20 By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

Again, that's love, His love, which is actions and words, all that He did and all that He said. He consecrated Himself on this earth, did His Father's will so we can live holy lives and be counted worthy of the Father God in His eyes.

Choosing to live holy is also accepting the sorrow and suffering, the persecution that comes with the consecrated life like Jesus Christ lived, and we are called to be like. Again, 1 John 2:6, we just read, saying we are to walk like Him. Jesus Christ is our example. Do you want to know what an example of a consecrated life is? It's found in Isaiah 53. This is our example. I'm going to read 1 through

Isaiah 53:1-4
[1] Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?
[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.

He's undesirable to the world. He is despised. You don't live a holy life like Jesus Christ, you're going to be despised. He is our example.

[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.
[4] Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

Esteemed. We showed Him no respect. That's what you can expect living a holy consecrated life., but there's another part of it too. You want to live a holy life, and please God, and when you live a holy life, when you consecrate your life, that's also when the power of God comes. Because Jesus, Father God says, be ye holy as I am holy. (1 Peter 1;15-16) Sin separates. In Habakkuk 1:13, it talks about He cannot look upon sin. That does not mean His eyes can't. When you study that, that means He cannot tolerate sin, so He is not going to stay where sin is. You want a holy, pleasing life…. if you want God's presence around, and I'm not talking about the Holy Spirit departing, I'm talking about Father God Himself. This is why there had to be a bridge to cover the gap. This is why there had to be a sacrifice, a perfect sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Because Father God will not tolerate sin. He'll let it go for a length of time, because He is longsuffering, but He is just and He is righteous. Sin demanded a sacrifice and Jesus Christ was the only perfect sacrifice. He is our example in every way.

Through the consecrated life of holiness in the body of a fleshly man, Jesus did this. He became our example. It takes being holy for God's glory, His light to be upon our lives, which I am meaning the power of God to be active in our lives. You want the power of God active in your lives. You want to be able to pray and your prayers to be answered effectively. Where God will hear and He will answer….
When you can pray a prayer and it gets answered immediately.
When you can lay hands on the sick and they recover.
When you can speak in the Name of Jesus Christ and cast out demons as we're called to do…
It takes a holy consecrated life. That means that living a holy consecrated life brings the power of God, the glory of God, the light of God.

All right, we're going to go to John 17. John 17 verses 14 through 19.
John 17:14-19

[14] I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
[15] I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.
[16] They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
[17] Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.
[18] As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.
[19] And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

He sanctified himself so we could be free, so we could be redeemed. He lived the holy life according to the will of God so we could be redeemed. We hear this all the time. Be ye holy for I am holy. You know why God's saying, be ye holy for I am holy. I want to spend time with you. I have bridged a gap through Jesus Christ so you can have fellowship with Me. But your sin stinks and I don't want to be around it. My interpretation. Be ye holy for I am holy because there's nothing hid to Father's God's eyes. There is nothing. He sees all the things that you think you're hiding from your neighbor, your pastor, your brother, your sister, your job. Jesus Christ, Father, God sees it all. You're not hiding it from Them. And if He says there's sin in your life, there's sin. You need to deal with it. Be ye holy for I am holy.

You want the presence of God in your life? You want to hear from God? Consecrate your life. Be ye holy for I am holy. You want the presence of God in your life and His power? Then you have to live holy and separate yourself from the world because He is holy.

2 Corinthians 6: 17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

In this verse, Wherefore, ‘talking to the children of God,’ come out from among them, ‘the world, the sinners, the inhabitants of this earth that do not serve God’ and be ye separate, saith the Lord. This is a command from the Lord. This isn't just Paul saying it. This is a command from the Lord. Wherefore, come out from among them and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing, and I will receive you. We're not going into the part talking about the unclean thing. We're going to discuss the part. Be ye separate.

Separate. Separate from the world. Your life should be showing the fruits of the Spirit, as in Galatians 5. You should be showing attributes of Jesus Christ in your life. You have to die to the world. Die to fleshly lust, wants, and desires.

Romans 8:9-10
[8] So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
[9] But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.

[10] And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.
[11] But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

In verse 8….So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God. If you're living in the flesh, even if you've once accepted Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, but you're living in the flesh, you're sinning, you cannot please God, but you're not in the flesh. When you accept Jesus Christ, you'ree a spiritual new creature. That's what it says, but it used to be new creation in 2 Corinthians 5:17. You're a new creation..

Verse 10. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead….Meaning your desires and lusty desires for sins of the world should be dead. You crucify them. You take care of them, and the reason it says, 'the lust,' is because when lust is conceived, sin is brought forth. Sin originates through lust, which is a desire for something.

James 1:14-16
[14] But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.
[15] Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.
[16] Do not err, my beloved brethren.

Living holy is possible through Jesus Christ. It would not be in the Holy Bible if it was not possible, but it is a willful decision, a choice on your part. Now, Paul himself said, I die daily. That's in 1 Corinthians 15:31. We're not going to go there, but he's talking about, he dies daily. What's he doing? He's crucifying his flesh every day, which we're called to do. Pick up the cross and carry it.

We're going to talk about that cross, why he said that in just a little bit. We are made holy by Jesus Christ's Blood when we accept Him into our hearts as our Savior. We're going to that also in just a minute. His will, Jesus Christ's will, is the will of the Father's. His will must become our will. We do this by abiding in Him and He in us. That's obedience and abiding in Him and He abiding in us. There are several Scriptures that talk about that in John 15:4-5. It's important to know it's in the Word of God.

John 15:4-5
[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.
[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.

Abide in Me. This is Jesus Christ talking… and I in you. You accept Jesus Christ into your heart, He abides in your heart. He abides in you. The body is the temple of the Holy Spirit. 4 Abide in me and I in you. 4As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine. No more can you except you abide in me. You're not going to survive unless you live in Him. If you're just

a branch, a branch when it has no root, it will die. Jesus Christ is your root. He is the vine. 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 you can do nothing.

You're going to bear fruit, whether it's good fruit or bad fruit. When you live a holy life, pleasing, you're going to show the attributes of Jesus Christ. You're going to have the character of Jesus Christ, the fruits of the Spirit. Now some of you are living godly, some of you are living not so godly. You may have some of the good fruits, but the fact is you're called to live holy.
You're called to separate from this world. You're called to be peculiar and to stand out. You're called to be a voice for the Lord Jesus Christ. You are called to share the gospel.

Colossians 2:6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:
We'll go to the next one.
Colossians 2:7 Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

Rooted. You got to, as some of us say here in the South, dig your roots deep. Dig your roots. Put your roots down in Jesus Christ. Live holy. Live a consecrated life. Now we're going to go to 1 John chapter 2. The Lord was very particular about these verses.

1 John 2:6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.
We've read this one already. That is so important.

1 John 3:24 And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.
It says, he that keeps the commandments. Live holy. You want Him to live in you and you live in Him? Keep His commandments.

In addition, we're going to read 1 John 4:13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit. There's ways of confirming and to know on how to try the spirits of everything. That's in 1 John 4:1-3; 13-15; 1 Corinthians 12:3; 2 John 7. There's more verses too you can seek and study for yourself if the Holy Spirit leads you to do so. We are made holy by Jesus Christ's Blood and made the righteousness of God when we accept Him into our hearts as our Savior.

2 Corinthians 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

Apparently, I'm going to do more Bible reading than I thought. Those of you that may not know, 1 Peter is after James.

1 Peter 1:18-19
[18] Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;
[19] But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

We are made holy. We are redeemed through the Blood of Jesus Christ, but you have to keep yourself holy. When Jesus Christ comes in, you are washed and made clean and you're made holy. Isaiah 61:10 talks about the robe of righteousness. He places upon us a robe of righteousness. You have to keep that robe clean.

Isaiah 61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

I'm going to give you a verse showing that you have to clean yourself by repenting too. That's part of it.

Hebrews 9:24-25
[24] For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:
[25] Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;

We have to keep both our bodies and souls clean. Yes, we do. It speaks of that in 2 Corinthians 7:1. Praise the Lord. I love you, Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Let's clean ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God…..Holiness in the fear of God. And that is the fear of God of all. With the understanding, the reverent, holy fear at any given moment, God gave a command that this whole earth could be just out of existence. Fear and trembling at His awesome works. Fear when you, in a holy way, not fear that caused torment, when you look back on all the way He raised His hands against the enemy, His enemies, against the hand of those that come against the Israelites. Fear and tremble at His mighty works. But in all that, we know His love, first of all and so our fear is not a fear of terror. If I was his enemy, I'd be terrified. Yes, definitely.

Okay. I have other verses about cleaning our body. Most people say you repent and you ask Jesus to forgive you. Then that's it. It's not. When you do mess up…the Word of God says a just man fall seven times and then gets back up in Proverbs 24:16. Meaning that a person that believes in God, that's accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord, may fall seven times and then gets back up, meaning he doesn't stay down. He repents. Just like David repented after he had slept with Bathsheba, got her pregnant, killed her husband…had her husband Uriah murdered. But he repented and came back to the Lord, back to God. That's God's merciful love.

One more verse. Again, this is showing you have to do your part. Once you repent, earnestly repent, there should be a change. When you first get saved, there should be a life change. If the Lord has convicted you of something and you've got rid of it, tore down your idols, there should

be a change. You should not go back to it. That's like a dog going back to his vomit as Proverbs 26:11 speaks about.

1 Thessalonians 5:23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Isaiah 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. Here we read where His Holy Word shall accomplish all He set it out to do.

Isaiah 1:16-20…. Oh, that's the Old Testament. I hear that in the spirit realm. Well, 2 Corinthians 7:1 wasn't. We're talking about your things yourself.

Isaiah 1:16-20
16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;
17 Learn to do well; seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.
18 Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.
19 If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land:
20 But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it.

It’s pretty plain. Wash yourself. Yes, Isaiah 61:10 does talk about the robe of righteousness.

Isaiah 61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord. My soul shall be joyful in my God, for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation….. That's when you get saved….He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness as a bright groom, decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

You've got to keep it clean. You have to keep it clean, and you do that with Holy Spirit's help.

Other verses pertaining to keeping yourself clean. Leviticus 20:7-8; 1 Peter 1:22-23; Romans 12:1-2

Romans 12:1-2
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.
2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

The renewing, the continual renewance of the mind. We do this by abiding in Him and He abiding in us and following the Holy Spirit and by being in His Holy Word.
1 Thessalonians 4:7 tell us we are called into holiness.

1 Thessalonians 4:7 For God hath not called us unto uncleanness, but unto holiness.

We are called into holiness, to live holy. When Jesus said in Matthew 10:37-40, that if you love father, mother, son, daughter more than Me, then you're not worthy of Him. Meaning He has to be first. Anything you put before Father God and Jesus Christ is an idol. Family, friends, money, job, homes, anything. When he said, he that taketh not up his cross is not worthy of Me, he is referring to those who choose to still walk in the lust of the flesh instead of following Him, fully following Him.
I know there are people that have been saved, love the Lord, but don't follow the commandments of this Bible in their living. Matthew 16:24 clarifies this more about the cross.

Matthew 16:24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

Then he said unto his disciples, if any man will come after me, let him deny himself,,,meaning die to the world and its flesh, flesh and lust……..If any man will come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. Our old self was crucified with Jesus, but we have to take our cross daily to keep it that way. What I mean is, our old self was crucified when we accepted Jesus Christ, but we have to take up our cross daily to keep it that way. Keep ourselves clean from sinning. We make the choice whether to sin or not. God does not tempt us. We are drawn away by the enticements of the things we lust for. We have to crucify this flesh daily. We have to deny the lust that tries to come up, which in James 1:15 says, when lust is conceived, it brings forth sin. And again, lust is not simply sexual. Lust can be the lust of the food. Lust can be the lust for a job. Lust can be the lust for money. Lust can be for somebody else's husband. Lust can be for wanting a husband if the Lord called you to consecrate and live a separated life. There's different things that are forms of lust that lead into sin. Here are verses that backs all this up.

James 1:13-16
[13] Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:
[14] But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.
[15] Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.
[16] Do not err, my beloved brethren.

You're supposed to pray for the Lord's perfect will to be done in your life and then submit to it. There's are reasons why He calls us to do what we're called to do. Let me explain a little further though, why the cross is mentioned here. In Jesus Christ's day, it was a place, the cross was a place of humiliation and known as a torturous death by the Romans hands who were ruling over

Israel at this time. It was a place of shame, humiliation, and torture, but in the end, it was a place of death.

Jesus is telling how serious it is for us to deny the flesh and its sinful lust, which lust again is how all sin begins. It is born or created into sin or sins when lust itself is transformed into a sin when you act upon it. I keep saying when sin is conceived, it brings forth death. When lust is conceived, that's James 1:15. The wages of sin is death, Romans 6.23. So the end result of conceived lust that leads into sin, if not repented of is death, spiritual and even at times physical death.

Jesus Christ is warning us how serious a matter we need to learn to deny the flesh and its sinful lust, to crucify them and live holy. We must die to ourselves, our individual rights, our self-will daily for His will to become ours. Then our lives will become one of humble obedience, holy and pleasing to God by Jesus Christ and in Him abiding in us and we in Him.

Galatians 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.

He crucified his flesh. He's dead to his own life. He brought under control his fleshly wants and desires in his obedience and love for Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:10 Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

This is Paul again speaking…. Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body…...This means we're always to bear in us the remembrance of Jesus and His dying because through His death, through His resurrection, through all He did, it made it possible for those that accept Him as their Lord, that He might be manifested in our life. He lives in us. We live in Him. Jesus did everything for us. I've said that over and over before. Jesus Christ is everything we need, not only for salvation, but for a victorious life, but you've got to be obedient to His Word. You've got to surrender and let His will become your will.

Romans 13:14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.
This also tells you how to keep from sinning…..But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ. Get on that cross with Him. Do what He's done and make no provision for the flesh. If you do not live a holy life, if you do not put on, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, that also means put on His lifestyle. He's our example, then how easy it is for lust to turn into sin. Put all this on. Maybe ‘put on’ is not a good word for that. Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ. This literally means and is referring to everything that he's done, you are to do. If you do this, this will cause you to have no reason for you to sin and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts thereof.

In other words, it will give you no opportunity to have a door open for you to walk into sin if you do what you're told to do. Let Jesus Christ live in you and you live in Him. You can't just be a

follower. You've got to walk in His footsteps. You've got to walk it. Religion is hanging around the cross. A true child of God, turning from sin and living holy is getting on the cross, not just hanging around it. You got to make a willful decision, a choice to do so. Again, we do this all by abiding in Him.

All right. So back to the cross again, the Romans and the crucifixion crosses, the cross was not something that a rabbi or priest of that day was going to talk about because it was such a horrible way to die. Now, Christ Jesus is the image of God who is holy.

2 Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.
We know that John 10:30 says, I and my father are one.

2 Corinthians 4:4….In whom the God of this world has blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine into them. Why am I mentioning that? Because we should reflect Jesus Christ. We should be an image of Jesus Christ. We're not Jesus Christ, but we can be like Him. He has made a way for us to live holy. To live a holy consecrated life is a willful choice. Again, remember Isaiah 53:1-4

Isaiah 53:1-4
[1] Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?
[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.
[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.
[4] Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

He was a man acquainted with sorrow and full of grief. All those things they said. It tells us what kind of life to expect if we choose to live holy, because Jesus Christ is our example. We will suffer persecution. All who live godly, holy, godly will suffer persecution… 2 Timothy 3:12. Other related verses: 2 Corinthians 4:8; John 15:8; Luke 6:22; 2 Timothy 2:10-13. Now Paul understood this more than anybody to me, that you had to live a consecrated life, and it was a willful choice, and that you would suffer like Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 12:10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

He knew at times like these, the power of Christ will most likely rest upon him, and that's in 2 Corinthians 12:9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Philippians 3:7-10

[7] But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.
[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,
[9] And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:
[10] That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

Everything he's lost, it's for the excellency, the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord. Everything he's lost. Remember, he was in line, he was in the Sanhedrin. Studying under Gamiel, high up in the religious rulers sects…… I count all things but loss, everything is a loss, for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord. We have to be willing to suffer persecution too. You have to make a choice to willingly live a holy consecrated life. There's so many people, they want to hear from God, they want dreams, they want visions, they want to operate in the power, but they don't want to live holy. They don't want to sacrifice that time. They won't to take the time to study and get in this Word. Just for an example, as I said, I have been in this Word of God since I got up this morning, like at six this morning. It's already close to midnight. What does that mean? I'm not lifting myself up. I'm just saying I have a hunger. I'm willing to sacrifice the time.

He called me and said, Daughter, you're going to do this. This morning he said, and he said….called to live holy. I said, what do you want, Lord? I've stopped long enough. I had to run one little errand and I came in here and prayed again. The whole time has been dedicated to this. Why? Because He called me to, because I am trying to live my life pleasing to Him and obedient. Then He said to share it. So that's what we're doing.

This is a type of life of Christ Jesus, again, Isaiah 53:1-4. He did all this for us. If you want to live a holy, consecrated life in Him, then you must be willing to go through all Jesus Christ did. Some people will be martyred for the Name of Jesus Christ, giving their lives. For those that say He did that for me. So why do I have to, if Jesus Christ has already done that….When you go read Isaiah 53:1-4 again then you see his life that he lived for us, some people will say, he's already done that for me. I don't have to do it. My answer to this is found in Matthew 10:24.

Matthew 10:24 The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.

You follow Jesus Christ, you are a follower, a disciple. The disciple, nor the servant is above his Lord. Meaning the disciple, the follower of Jesus Christ, isn't any better than Jesus Christ Himself. If He suffered, so will we have to suffer for His Name sake. This is because all are equal in God's kingdom without respect of persons.

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

When you live a holy, consecrated life, you should have the mind of Christ, the likeness of Christ Jesus in your heart. The fruits of the Holy Spirit should be evident. The Fruits of the Spirit, can be found in Galatians chapter 6 and should be evident and so will the active power of God Almighty be evident too. Jesus talks about the image of God. His likeness is of God also. We have the first verse I read earlier about the image of God in 2 Corinthians 4:4, but also John 10:30 which Jesus Christ said, my father, I am one.

You also have Ephesians 4:24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Ezekiel 11:19 talks about a new heart we receive.

Ezekiel 11:19 And I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh:

We have a new mind, the mind of Christ, that we need to renew in Him.
1 Corinthians 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ.

Philippians 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

We read that earlier, the renewing, the continuance, so you've got to keep that mind of Christ clean too. Cast down those vain thoughts.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5
[3] For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
[4] (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
[5] Casting down (vain)imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

This tells you in the Word of God to cast down those thoughts, those vain thoughts. Think of what's pure and holy and just as Philippians 4;8 tells us to do.

Philippians 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.

This means keep your thoughts, your mind clean. You got to keep it clean. You are called to be holy. Separate yourself from the world. Spend time with Father God and Jesus Christ. Pray, read the Word of God. Study it often. Worship and sing praises. Remove those things you have placed before them. They are idols and they pollute you spiritually. Even if it's something physical you

have placed before Father God, you have committed adultery, idolatry. You need to remove it. Tear your idols down. Return to the Lord God as your first love.

You have to clean yourself up in your body and spirit again, as 2 Corinthians 7:1 told us, among other verses. You do this with Holy Spirit's help when we ask in Jesus Christ's Name for Him to do that. Remove those things out of our lives that we know are displeasing to our Holy God and Savior. God doesn't tolerate sin. Again, Habakkuk 1:13 Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, and holdest thy tongue when the wicked devoureth the man that is more righteous than he?

'Look on' in KJV means: doesn't tolerate sin. That's one of the definitions. Isaiah 59.2 tells us sin separates. Repent earnestly and make a change. There needs to be a change. Earnest repentance, real repentance brings about change in your life. We are a new creation when we accept Jesus Christ into our life, into our hearts.

2 Corinthians 5:17 says we are kings and of the priesthood. We are priests. Other related verses are: 1 Peter 2:5; Revelation 1:6. We are supposed to be according to Exodus 19:6, we are supposed to be peculiar. What does peculiar mean? Special or different from other people. Exodus 9:5; 1 Peter 2:9 are also related to this. Why am I saying this? If the power of God is not evident in the church or in the people, then you're not living a holy consecrated life. That doesn't always mean only the power of God isn't evident but also the Holy Spirit of the power of God that gives you boldness to speak will be lacking too. You have to have that holy boldness. When the Holy Spirit moves upon you, you may be timid at first, but still step out in faith. There needs to be Fruits of the Spirit evident in your life.

I hear the Lord saying, Go to that. Attributes of Jesus Christ. Even when Jesus Christ judged, He judged righteously. When he was angry, he was angry and sinned. When He threw the money tables, the money changers tables over in was in righteous anger and not that of the fleshly kind ruled by our emotions. (Matthew 21:12-13)

Let's read with Galatians 5:16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

It says, This I say then, Walk in the Spirit….what Spirit? The Spirit of God…In God. In Jesus who's abiding in you. Then what happens? …And you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. You won't sin.

Galatians 5:17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit. That desire to sin lusts, rises up and fights against the Spirit. The Holy Spirit living in you. The Spirit strives or fights against the flesh when you have God's Spirit in you and these are contrary to one to another. They're in disagreement. They are opposites. They're different. So that ye cannot do the things that you would. If you have sin in your life, you're not going to be effective. That's what it's saying in my understanding.

So that ye cannot do the things that you would. Get the sin out.

Galatians 5:18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, you're not under the law.
You're not under the old law, the old covenant. You're under the law of grace, which means under Jesus Christ and what He's done.

Galatians chapter 5:19-25. The works of the flesh & the fruits of the Spirit. Before the fruits of the Spirit, you have the works of the flesh. So, if you're doing any of the works of the flesh, there's sin in your life

Galatians 5:19-21
[19] Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
[20] Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
[21] Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

If you have hatred in your heart and unforgiveness for somebody, hatred is murder. There's more than just the physical. There is also the spiritual death hatred can cause. There's more than just these. There is one place that talks about no one effeminate will enter heaven. What is that? Someone that's male acting female. It's found in 1 Corinthians chapter 6.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10
[9] Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,
[10] Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

Take it to the Lord Jesus Christ in prayer. The Lord speaks about homosexuality. It is a sin.
Look at Romans chapter one, verses 24-32.

Referring to Galatians 5:21…But I tell you before as I have also told you in times past that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God. If you're doing these things and you don't repent of them, you will not enter the kingdom of God. Your destiny will be hell and then the lake of fire by your choice, because you have to choose to do these. You have to choose to sin or not sin. You have to choose to walk holy or walk defiled. Because if you're not walking holy and pleasing, it is a defiled life. It is. Sin defiles.

Titus 1:5 To the pure, all things are pure; but to those who are defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure, but both their mind and their conscience are defiled.

The fruits of the spirit.
Galatians 5:22-25
[22] But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

[23] Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.
[24] And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
[25] If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit

Verse 22 …But the fruit of the spirit… This is God's spirit in us. Jesus' spirit in us. The Holy spirit. God is love. (1 John 4:16) If you don't love everybody, then you don't have the love and the heart of Jesus Christ. Father God is love. His Spirit is of love.

Joy is one. Joy, the Lord is your strength according to Nehemiah 8:10. Then Psalms 51:12, David prayed, restore unto me the joy of thy salvation. Okay. The Fruits of the spirit is love, joy, peace, long suffering.
How many of you have been long suffering with people? Long suffering means waiting until almost past the point of patience, almost painful in your waiting. So long suffering is an attribute of the fruits of the Spirit and is seen in examples where God is long suffering, waiting for all to repent before He brings His judgment. Look up the words, do the study.

Next we have gentleness, goodness, faith. It only takes faith as a grain of mustard seed for great things to accomplish.(Matthew 17:20) Where's your faith there? Only believe.
Meekness. Meekness is humbleness, gentleness, humbleness, temperance, not being offended by everything. That's one part of temperance being easy going in some ways. That's not the full thing though. Against such there is no law. Verse 24 And they that are Christ have crucified the flesh with the affections and lust. If we live in the spirit, let us also walk in the spirit. Let us not be the desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

You know, when I hear a brother or sister, a real brother or sister in Christ, excelling in the Lord, our prayers being answered, I rejoice. It's not, Why not me, Lord? Or Lord, I deserve something like that. No, we're all called to our own walk, our own life, our own anointing, the part of the Holy Spirit we walk in because He is the Anointing He is called in 1 John 2:27. Quit being envious of somebody else's anointing and start seeking the Lord for yours. What is your walk? What are you called to do? Some say, I don't know. I've been asking. Go to Ephesians 1. God's Word will not return until Him void. Isaiah 55:11 says.

You can pray Scripture over yourself to know your calling. It is simply, I'm going to read and pray for it to apply to myself.

Here's the original before I interchange where it's personalized for my prayers for myself.

Ephesians 1:17-19
[17] That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
[18] The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,
[19] And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

This was Paul praying for the saints here in Ephesians.
Ephesians 1:17-19
[17] That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto ‘me’ the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
[18] The eyes of ‘my’understanding being enlightened; that ‘i’ may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the ‘myself’,
[19] And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

You can see in this example how when praying I applied these Scripture to include me personally in Ephesians 1:17-19. Then I stand on Isaiah 55:11. I pray and read it out loud to the Lord, Believe it, ask and it will come to pass because it is the Word of God. (Matthew 7:7) All right. I want you to pray about all this. Take it to the Lord Jesus Christ in prayer.

Devices Information on Video:
Now the situation with devices. I've been praying to ask the Lord, how do I pray? There's wave devices. There's biometrics. There's signatures. I got a list. He sent me to this verse.

Job 5:12 He disappointed the devices of the crafty, so their hands cannot perform their enterprises.
Why is it so important?
The definition of devices: device, a thing made or adapted for a particular purpose, especially a piece of mechanical or electronic equipment.

There's your technology and there's electronics, a piece of portable electronic equipment that can connect to the internet, such as a smartphone, tablet or laptop computer. There's all those devices. We're going to get the other computers too.This covers your technology, electronics, science and such like. It covers it all. Why? Because it also says a device can be a bomb or other explosive weapons, a plan, method, or trick with a particular aim. This covers devices in every form of attack. Because even in the spiritual, even the witchcraft, even in the go through plans, method, or trick, their spells are weapons, they're made to be weaponized.

So when God, Jesus Christ gives us verses like Job 5:12 He disappointed the devices. It means God disappointed the devices of the crafty, so their hands cannot perform their enterprises.
I've been praying these verses and I have more, because actually that one needs to go a little further. I've been saying, Father God, in the Name of Jesus Christ, I plead the blood over everything. My understanding is all, the physical, spiritual, and combined cannot get through that Blood of Jesus Christ.
He said, No, it cannot unless He lets down the hedge, which He can do because we are called to be tried and tested, but the enemy cannot pass through the Blood of Jesus Christ themselves. His Blood brought their ultimate defeat and our ultimate victory in Him. (Revelation 12:11) That's why you stop and ask everything that happens. Don't just give credit to the enemy. Stop and ask Lord Jesus Christ, is this something I did? Did You allow this? And if You're allowed this, how come? I do ask the Lord, why are you allowing this thing? A lot of times He'll tell me.

Okay, Job 5:12, let's go all the way to 15.

Job 5:12-15
[12] He disappointeth the devices of the crafty, so that their hands cannot perform their enterprise.
[13] He taketh the wise in their own craftiness: and the counsel of the froward is carried headlong.
[14] They meet with darkness in the day time, and grope in the noonday as in the night.
[15] But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty.

Job 21:27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices which ye wrongfully imagine against me.

The Word of God also talks about the antichrist using devices and his enemies using them against him in Daniel chapter 11.

Daniel 11:23-25
[23] And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.
[24] He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.
[25] And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.

Just so you know, they are going to use the AI as a device. Because when you go further into the technology, the application of scientific knowledge for practical purposes, especially in industry machinery and equipment development from the application of science knowledge, machinery, machines and machinery are both mechanical devices. The definition says: a thing made or adapted for a particular purpose, especially a piece of mechanical or electronic equipment.

The Lord Jesus Christ then sent me to technology. It all ties together. I just love Him. I just do. Because I said, Lord, you got to help me here. There's some funky things going on.

Job 21:27 Behold, I know your thoughts, and the devices which ye wrongfully imagine against me.
God knows it all. God knows it all. I'm going to read off some more. I don't know if I'll get them all. I don't know if I'll get them typed up. So if you're wanting these verses, I'm going to read them to you, and then Lord willing, we'll get off here.

Psalms 10:2; 21:10-12; 33:9-11, Proverbs 1:30-31, Psalms 37: 6-7; 140:8-11; Proverbs 12:2; Isaiah 32:6-7. If you have the KJV and you see that word curl, C-H-U-R-L, that means deceiver and crafty in the Old Testament.

Here's examples of devices being used against in verses like Jeremiah.,

Jeremiah 11:18-20; 18:17-19; Lamentations 3:55-66; 2 Corinthians 2:11 which tells us we're not ignorant of the enemy's devices.

The two devices I found in the Old Testament with the Antichrist, Daniel 11:23-25 So pray about this. If you're dealing with, you know, unusual weapons being aimed at you, frequencies, vibrations, waves, and all such things, and the Lord Jesus Christ has revealed it to you, you now have the Word of God to combat their devices and weapons. Take it to the Lord Jesus Christ in prayer. Don't just take my word, try the spirits, discern the spirits, and He will prove true, because you're seeking Jesus Christ's truth, Father God's truth. That's what we're praying for. I release this Word in Jesus Christ's Name.

And again, I stand on Acts 5. If this ministry is of God, it will stand and nobody can tear it down. If it is not, it shall surely fall. God bless, stay under the Blood always.

Creation, the Firmament and the Word Circle in Isaiah 40:22 Shared 5-10-26

Isaiah 40:22 It is he that sitteth upon the **circle** of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

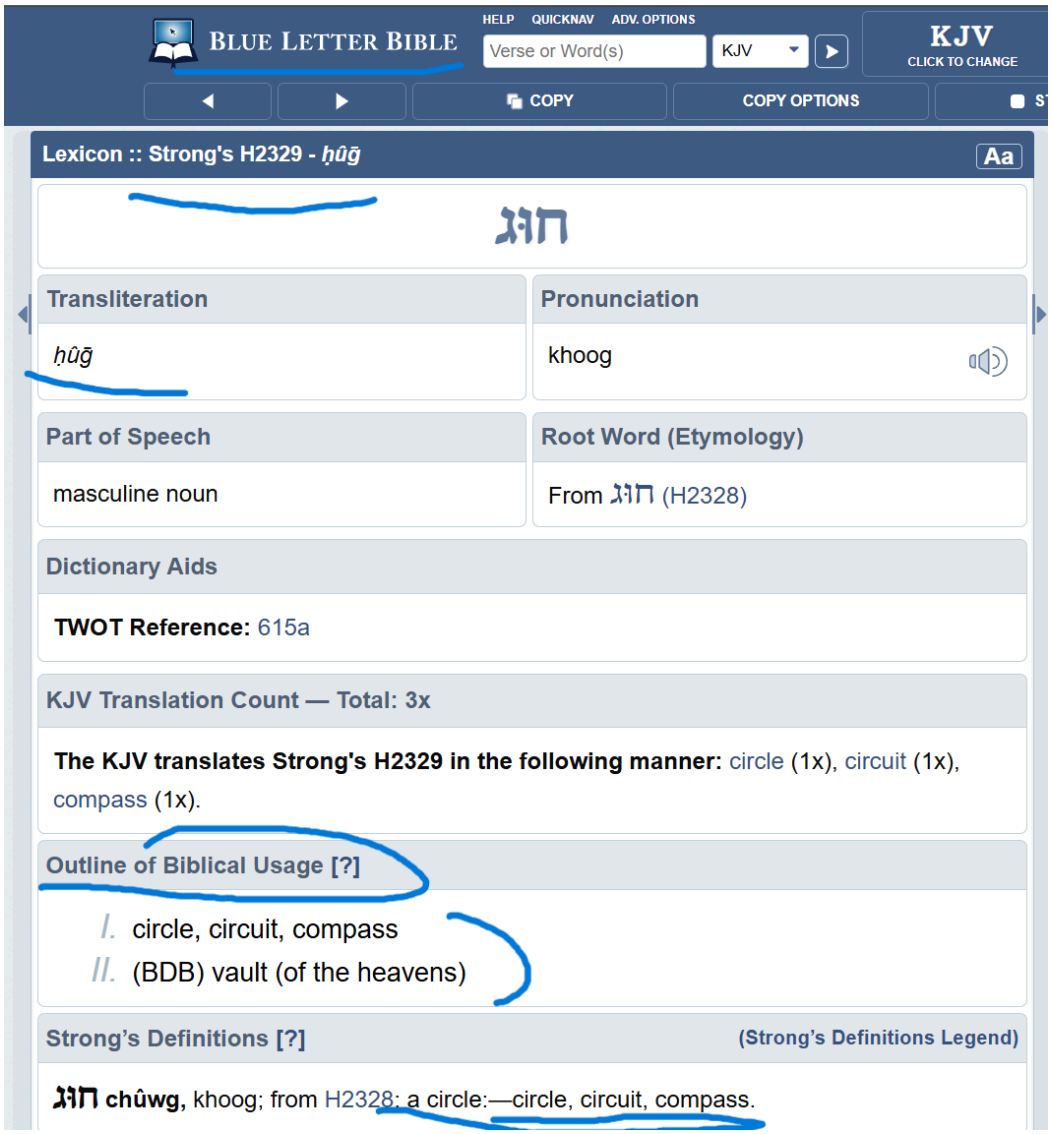
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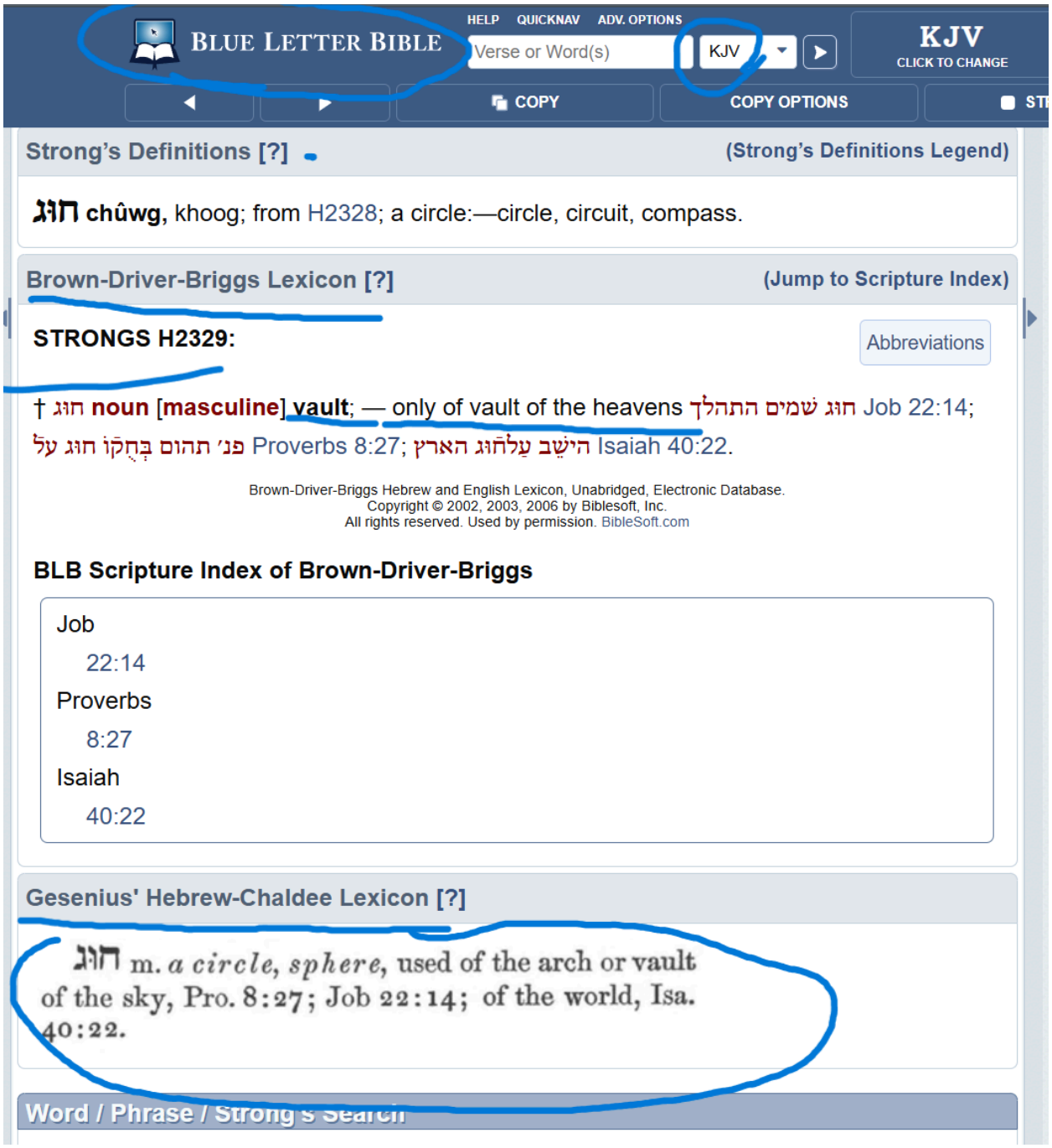
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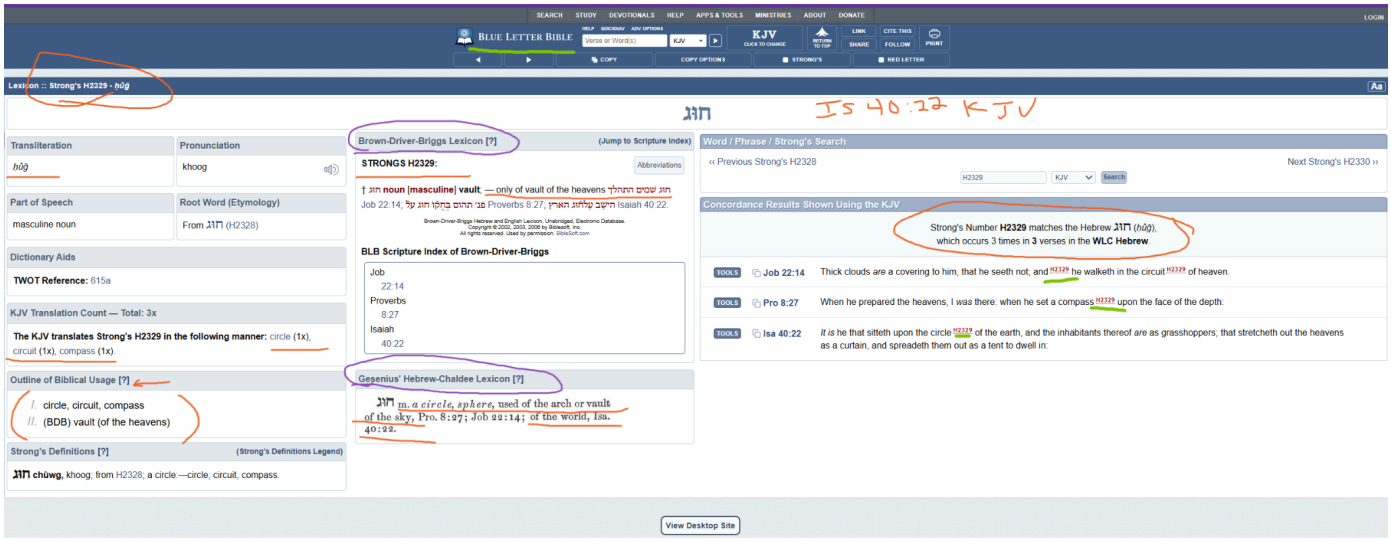
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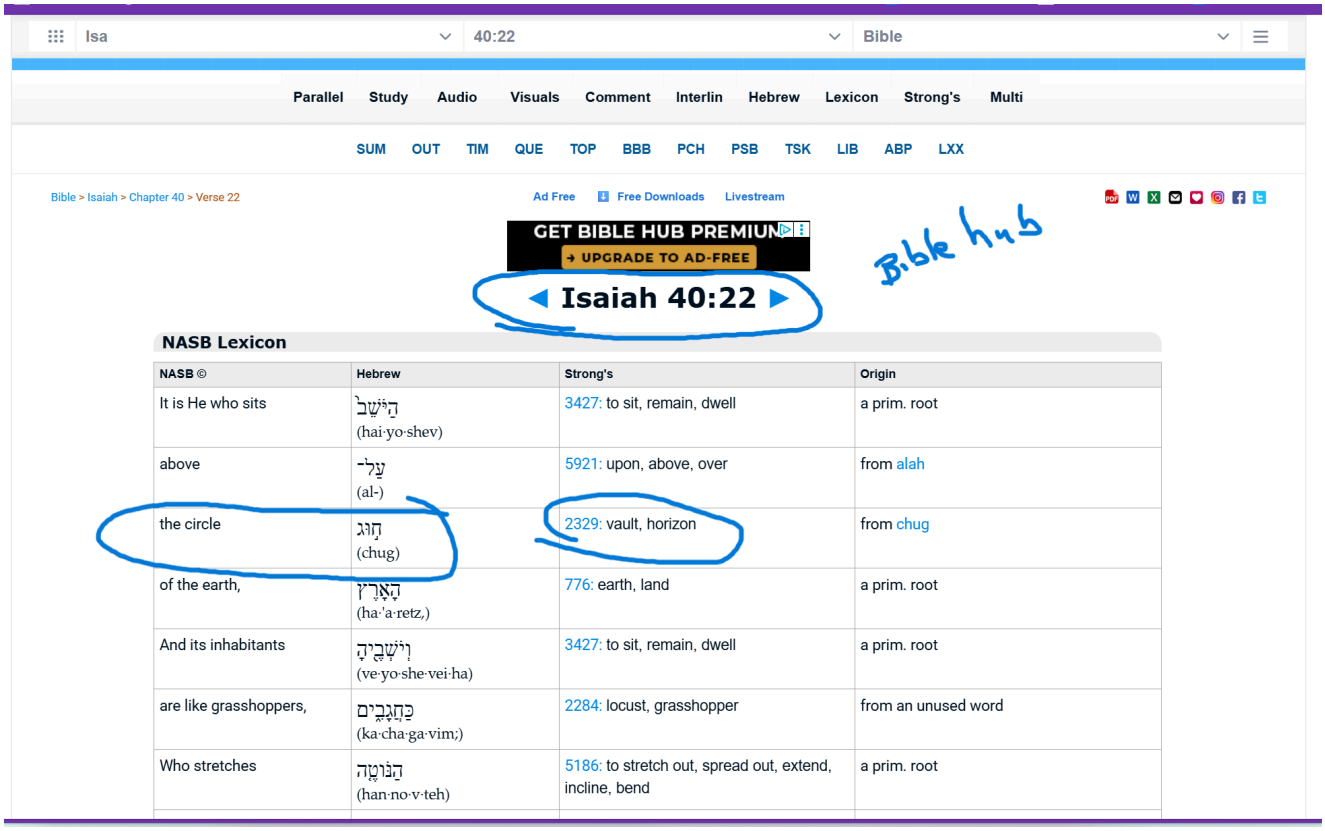




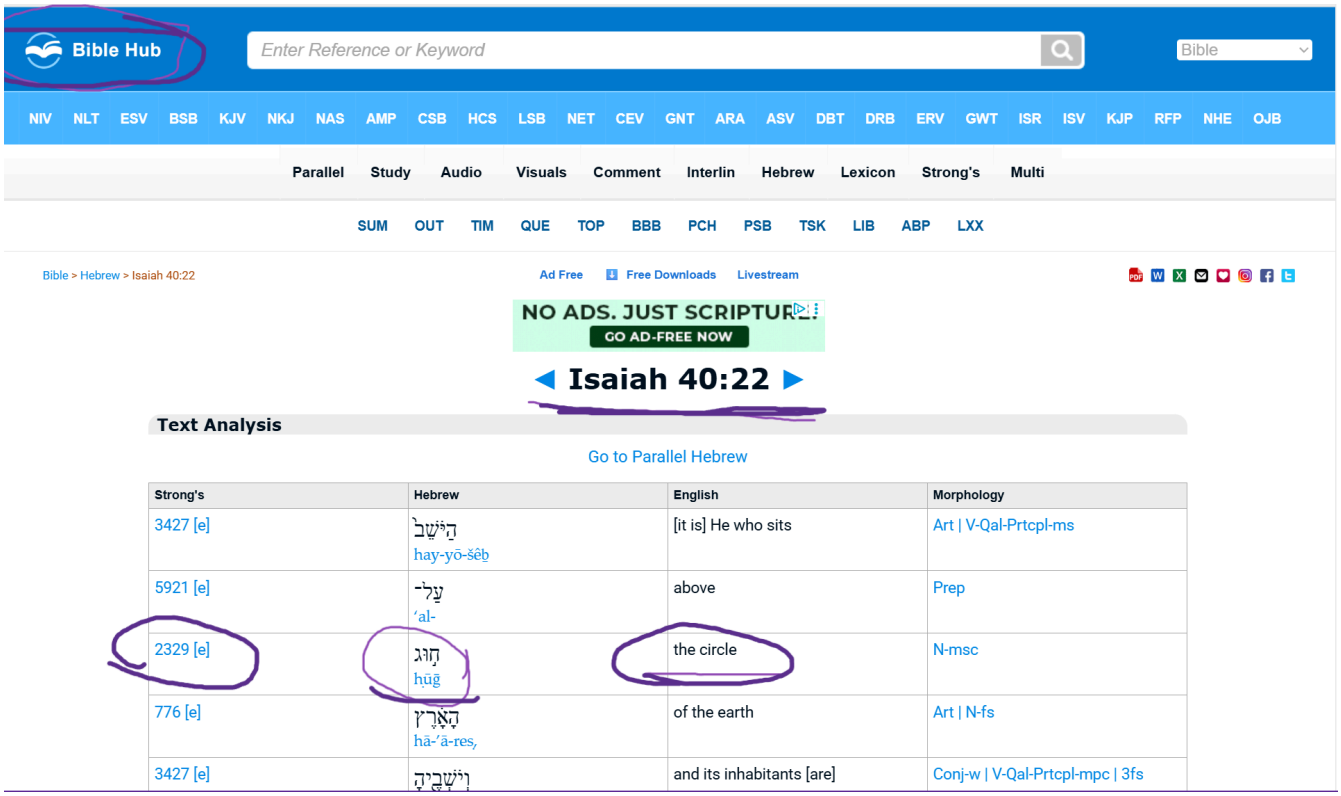
Information on spheres even though it's not found in the KJV Translation, but it's mentioned in the Gesenius' Hebrew-Chaldee Lexicon information for H2329. The word sphere doesn't only refer to the shape of a round ball, but is defined as a dome or half dome containing the heavens of the earth and found in multiple definitions. So it can be either the sphere of the heavenly firmament or a plain ball. A sphere can also be called a vault or celestial sphere. The archaic word is spherical.



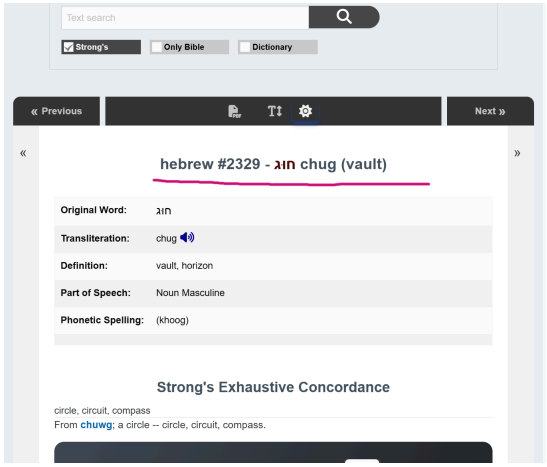
Bible Hub Strong's H2329 says it's a vault, horizon in this one. See below.



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5921 [e] | עַל־ ʻal- | above | Prep
2329 [e] | חוּג ḥūḡ | the circle | N-msc
776 [e] | הָאָרֶץ hā-ʼā-res, | of the earth | Art | N-fs
3427 [e] | וְיֹשְׁבֶיהָ | and its inhabitants [are] | Conj-w | V-Qal-Prtcpl-mpc | 3fs


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(22) The circle of the earth—i.e., the vault of heaven over-arching the earth (Job 22:14; Proverbs 8:27).
As grasshoppers.—The word indicates some insect of the locust tribe. The comparison may have been suggested by Numbers 13:33.
That stretcheth out the heavens.—A favourite phrase of 2 Isaiah (Isaiah 42:5, Isaiah 44:24, et al.), taken probably from Psalm 104:2.
As a curtain . . . as a tent.—The words indicate a clearer perception of space than the older Hebrew word for the "firmament" of Genesis 1:7. The visible heavens are thought of as a thin, filmy veil of gauze, the curtains of the tent of God.
Matthew Henry's Concise Commentary
40:18-26 Whatever we esteem or love, fear or hope in, more than God, that creature we make equal with God, though we do not make images or worship them. He that is so poor, that he has scarcely a sacrifice to offer, yet will not be without a god of his own. They spared no cost upon their idols; we grudge what is spent in the service of our God. To prove the greatness of God, the prophet appeals to all ages and nations. Those who are ignorant of this, are willingly ignorant. God has the command of all creatures, and of all created things. The prophet directs us to use our reason as well as our senses; to consider who created the hosts of heaven, and to pay our homage to Him. Not one fails to fulfil his will. And let us not forget, that He spake all the promises, and engaged to perform them.
Barnes' Notes on the Bible
It is he that sitteth - Margin, 'Him that sitteth,' that is, have you not known him? The Hebrew literally means 'the sitter, or he sitting on the circle of the each;' and it may be connected either with Isaiah 40:21, 'Have ye not known him sitting on the circle of the earth?' or with Isaiah 40:18, 'What likeness will ye compare to him that sitteth on the circle of the earth?' In either case the phrase is designed to show the majesty and glory of God. The word 'sitteth' refers to God as a sovereign or monarch, making the circle of the earth his throne.
Cambridge Bible for Schools and Colleges
22, 23. The majesty of the God who reveals Himself in Creation and Providence is described in interjectional participial clauses, the force of which should not be blunted by the superfluous "It is" of E.V.
upon (rather: above, R.V. marg.) the circle of the earth] i. e. the horizon, where earth and heaven meet (see Proverbs 8:27), "at the confines of light and darkness" (Job 26:10). The earth with its surrounding ocean is conceived as a flat disc, on which the arch of heaven comes down. The rendering "on the vault of the earth" (see Job 22:14, "vault of heaven," the same word) is possible, though not so good.
and (so that) the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers] Comp. for the expression Numbers 13:33, and for the thought Psalm 113:5 f.
as a curtain] like gauze (lit. fine cloth).
a tent to dwell in] i.e. simply "a habitable tent."
Pulpit Commentary
Verse 22. - It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth; rather, above the vault of the earth; above the vault of sky which seems to arch over the earth. As grasshoppers; i.e. minute, scarcely visible (comp. Numbers 13:33). That stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain. So in Psalm 104:2, only that here the "curtain" is represented as one of thin gauze. The idea is common to Isaiah with Job (Job 9:8), Jeremiah (Jeremiah 10:12; Jeremiah 51:15), and Zechariah (Zechariah 12:1), and is a favourite one in these later chapters (comp. Isaiah 42:5; Isaiah 44:24; Isaiah 45:12; Isaiah 51:13). As a tent (comp. Psalm 19:4, where God is said to have set in the heavens a "tabernacle" - 'ohel, the word used here - for the sun). Isaiah 40:22
Keil and Delitzsch Biblical Commentary on the Old Testament
The prophet now proceeds to describe the God whom both His works and word proclaim. The participles which follow are predicates of the subject, which filled the consciousness of the prophet as well as that of every believer. "He who is enthroned above the vault of the earth, and its inhabitants resemble





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circle

CIRCLE, n.

1. In geometry, a plane figure comprehended by a single curve line, called its circumference, every part of which is equally distant from a point called the center. Of course all lines drawn from the center to the circumference or periphery, are equal to each other.

2. In popular use, the line that comprehends the figure, the plane or surface comprehended, and the whole body or solid matter of a round substance, are denominated a circle; a ring; an orb; the earth.

3. Compass; circuit; as the circle of the forest.

4. An assembly surrounding the principal person. Hence, any company, or assembly; as a circle of friends, or of beauties. Hence

International Standard Bible Encyclopedia

CIRCLE

sur'-k'-l: Is used with reference to the vault of the heavens (hugh) in Isaiah 40:22, and in a similar sense in The Wisdom of Solomon 13:2 (Revised Version margin), "circle of stars" (kuklos astron). It is also used in the sense of surrounding territory, as in the expression "circle of Jordan" (Genesis 13:10 the Revised Version, margin).

See also CICCAR; ASTRONOMY, sec. III, 1.

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Job 22:14
HEB: וְלֹ֣א יִרְאֶ֑ה וְחוּג־שָׁמַ֖יִם יִתְהַלָּֽךְ׃
NAS: And He walks *on the vault* of heaven.'
KJV: not; and he walketh *in the circuit* of heaven.
INT: cannot see *the vault* of heaven walks

Proverbs 8:27
HEB: אֲנִ֣י בְחוּקּ֣וֹ חֹ֭וג עַל־ פְּנֵ֣י
NAS: When He inscribed *a circle* on the face
KJV: I [was] there: when he set *a compass* upon the face
INT: he inscribed *A circle* on the face

Isaiah 40:22
HEB: הַיֹּשֵׁב֙ עַל־ חוּג֣ הָאָ֔רֶץ וְיֹשְׁבֶ֖יהָ
NAS: above *the circle* of the earth,
KJV: [It is] he that sitteth *upon the circle* of the earth,
INT: sits above *the circle* of the earth inhabitants

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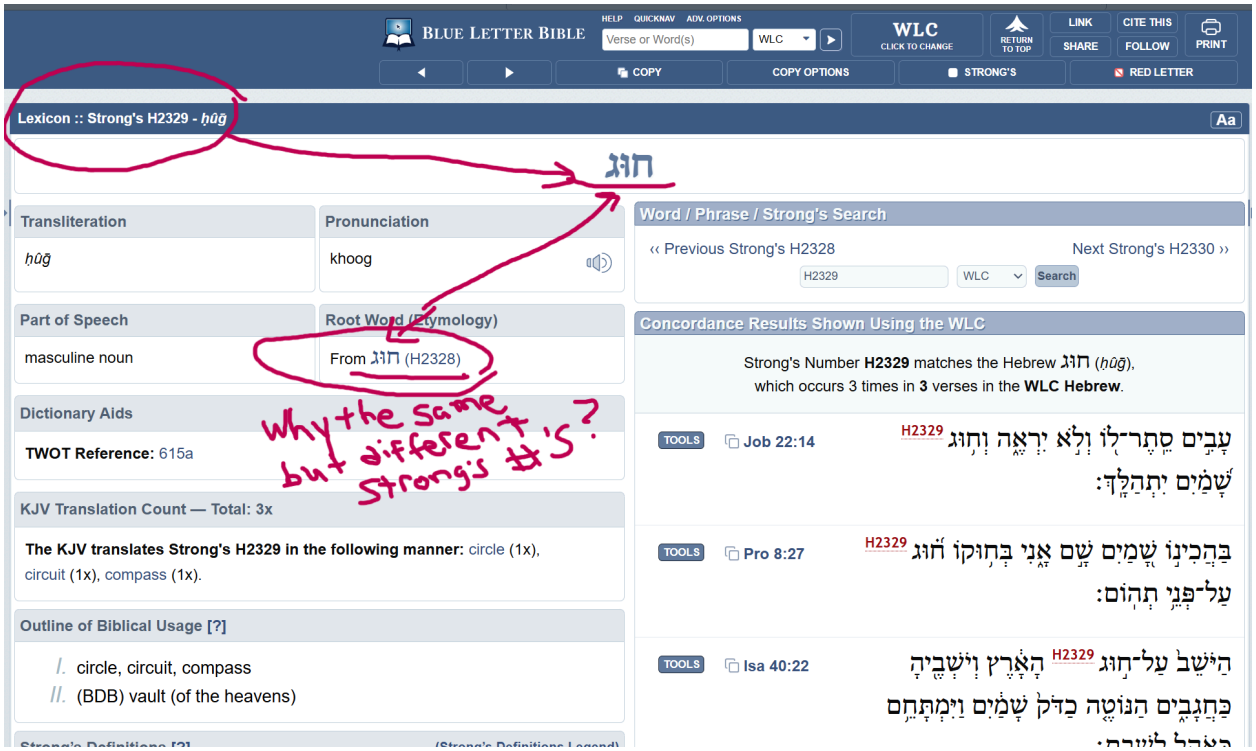
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Scope and Imagery of חוג

The term evokes a rounded, enclosing form—a circle, horizon, or vaulted dome that encompasses and orders what lies within it. In Scripture this image consistently portrays the boundary-setting sovereignty of God: He defines the limits of sea and sky, earth and heaven, creature and Creator.

Canonical Occurrences

1. Job 22:14 presents the "vault of heaven," emphasizing God's unseen yet active supervision over His creation.
2. Proverbs 8:27 places חוג at the heart of Wisdom's eyewitness account of creation: "When He drew a circle on the face of the deep."
3. Isaiah 40:22 proclaims, "He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth," highlighting the Lord's transcendence and the smallness of humanity before Him.



My Lovely Jesus Ministry Spiritual Warfare Series
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We as children of Jesus Christ one of our most powerful weapons against witchcraft deception and the dark kingdom is our ability to try, test, discern, study out all things given, spoken, read, and watched in Jesus Christ's Name in addition to the spirit inside a person and what they are operating in. In a time when deception abounds even inside the church walls with many of our brothers and sisters falling away Father God and Jesus Christ have provided means in the Holy Word of God to keep us from falling into deception. Here is what the Holy Word of God says about the matter. Ask sweet Holy Spirit to teach and lead you to the truth of Jesus Christ who is the truth itself according to John 14:6. Also make sure there aren't any agreements with the kingdom of darkness by truly repenting and breaking any agreements known or unknown in Jesus Christ's Name in all Father God's existence and knowledge. Then shut any doors and lock them with the kingdom keys.

1 Thessalonians 5:21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.
1 John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.
Ephesians 5:9-10
9 (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)
10 Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.
Job 12:11 Doth not the ear try words? and the mouth taste his meat?
Philippians 1:9-10
9 And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment;
10 That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ.

Example of testing/examining, discerning in the Word of God
Acts 17:10-11
10 And the brethren immediately sent away Paul and Silas by night unto Berea: who coming thither went into the synagogue of the Jews.
11 These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.
Revelation 2:2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:

We know that Jesus Christ and Father God know our names. He knows us and we know Him. We will not follow or hear another's voice. To ensure this because even sheep need to be trained to recognize their Shepherd's voice we have been given these means to do so. It's necessary to remember that we may not all hear Our Savior's voice the same. Some may have a knowing in their spirit that they get confirmed in a way God speaks to them. It can be like what I call a nudge in your spirit such as giving you an overwhelming move in your spirit that it is

correct or wrong. If you're truly seeking the answer in Jesus Christ's Name and you have repented and do not have a legal agreement with the enemy that allows them access to our life, then He will ensure you get the correct answer in the way He speaks to you because He is faithful even when we are not.

John 10:3-5; 14; 27

3 To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.
4 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.
5 And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.
14 I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.
27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

Discerning/testing by questions

Trying, proving, discerning, and testing is given to us to determine if it's from God or the enemy. Discerning is knowing the difference between right and wrong, with the wrong being almost right.

First you can discern the spirit that is responding to something you have an answer from by asking 3 questions. These questions are formed from Scripture verses that tell us how if it's a voice, a thought from the enemy they will answer one way and if it is Father God, Jesus Christ, the sweet Holy Spirit and from Heaven it will be the other way meaning a yes or no answer. The enemy would be a demon, a fallen one or an evil technology/device such like the one called the voice of God owned by the military in the U.S.

Remember though we are dealing with enemy attacks that utilize witchcraft so it is necessary to take care of all enemy attacks that may have been sent out first in Jesus Christ's Name. This includes first repenting of any sins you may have committed known or unknown so there aren't any hidden agreements or such like with the kingdom of darkness that would give them legal access and rights to manipulate, lie and deceive you. Next ask Jesus Christ to cover His Blood over any traps, triggers and such like and remove them out of the way in His Name, while also asking all cords to any charms, bewitchments or such like to be cut. (Psalms 129:4; John 14:14) Bind all demons in everlasting chains sent out in any attacks against you known to Father God in all His existence and knowledge. (Matthew 18:18; Jude 6) Then cast them into the abyss, binding them also there along with the attacks of all forms known to Father God that are directly, indirectly and randomly related. (2 Corinthians 10:3-5) I also ask for Jesus Christ to have a holy angel of God to continually cover me in the Holy Blood of Jesus Christ while I am discerning or talking with my lovely Jesus Christ because nothing can penetrate His All-powerful Blood. Then I proceed.

The kingdom of darkness can't manipulate the voices of the Godhead, so if you're having difficulty hearing clearly the answers it can be witchcraft operating against you personally or

in your atmosphere such as spells or charmed curses that are clogging your hearing, brain fogs and such like against your spiritual mind and thinking. It can also be sent and placed on the Holy Bible and even the questions themselves and such like attacks.
Here are the questions and the verses they are taken from:

Question #1. Did Jesus Christ come in the flesh?

1 John 4:1-3
1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.
2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:
3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

What you are really asking when you ask, 'Did Jesus Christ come in the flesh?' Do you believe that when Jesus Christ walked this earth He was God but also was a man of flesh? A human.

Now when asking this question we have learned with Holy Spirit our dear Friend through the Word of God the fallen angels can answer 'yes' to the question but demons cannot. This is because the fallen angels are 'of God'...meaning created by by His commands because He created all the angels, even those that fell into sin. (Psalms 148: 2-5; Colossians 1:15-16; Job 38:4-7) Not like the demons, the evil spirits that also speak and try to deceive you who are a product of the fallen angels mating with women of the earth that God considered as an abomination. Because they're not created by God they cannot say 'yes' to this question. (Genesis 1:4; Jude 6; 1 Timothy 1:10)

You can also command in Jesus Christ's Name for the truth to be spoken. Remember you are addressing the spirit that responded to you at first that you are testing and discerning to see if it's from God or the enemy so it's best to form your question similar to this example.

1. Spirit that spoke to me, 'I command you to speak the truth in Jesus Christ's Name. Did Jesus Christ come in the flesh?"

If you get a yes then you know it's not a demon but can still be a fallen angel or of God. By this we need to proceed to the next question.

Question # 2 Do you confess Jesus Christ is the Son of God?

1 John 4:15-16
15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.
16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that

dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

Since we have begun teaching this as one of the questions, something interesting appeared in the KJV Holy Bible that I shall share.

1 John 2:22-23

22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: *he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.*

This underlined part at the end of 1 John 2:23 found currently in the KJV is all in italics and wasn't originally in the KJV Holy Bible when my son and I studied it out. I was accused of false teaching so I went to Jesus Chris in prayer. Here is what I found out but again you must test, try, discern, pray and seek for the truth yourself in Jesus Christ's Name.

Words in italics were added by the translators to help the reader so they are added by men. The Geneva Bible 1578 was the first to use italics. I was sent immediately to the Geneva Holy Bible which was created before the KJV Holy Bible but both of their New Testaments were translated using the Textus Receptus. This is important because the Geneva translation doesn't have this part of verse 23 found in it. "*he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.*" Both were translated from the Textus Receptus which means the current words in italics in this verse should appear in both if it was originally in the Greek manuscripts. Also the added words are not added to help in the translation of other words but are making a separate statement on their own. Supernatural changes can be done if God allows so that the coming one world religion can include christianity and not lead people to the real Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as it does now.

These links are from where this information was collected about this verse.
https://kjbrc.org/the-use-of-italics-in-the-king-james-bible/
https://www.cgg.org/index.cfm/library/bqa/id/180/why-do-many-bibles-show-some-words-italics .htm
https://digitalcommons.cedarville.edu/kjv_texts/
https://textusreceptusbibles.com/

Mark 1:24

23 And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out,

24 Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.

Matthew 8:29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time?

Luke 4:41 And devils also came out of many, crying out, and saying, Thou art Christ the Son of

God. And he rebuking them suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ.

In these verses we have demons recognizing Jesus Christ as the Holy One of God, the Christ and the Son of God, but they are not acknowledging or confessing who He actually is as a person. To the demons it was as if using a title or a name of the One prophesied would come to the world from God in His Word. They recognized Jesus as His Son because of the authority over them given to Him by Father God. They knew this because they recognized God's power in Him and couldn't resist it and had to submit and obey.

What the demons can't do nor the fallen angels is make the confession, the declaration that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who redeemed their soul and saved them. Or that Jesus Christ has God Himself the Creator inside Him. That Jesus Christ is also God and is part of the Godhead. This is because those who confess Jesus Christ in this way make the declaration, the confession through the understanding of who He really is that comes only when a person has accepted Him into their hearts. When He enters their hearts, they can now call Him their Lord and Master. This revelation is given to them through the Holy Spirit and the confession too is by having the sweet Holy Ghost Spirit living inside a person. The demons and fallen angels are not of God's Kingdom. They serve themselves and are their own masters and lords. You cannot serve yourself, the kingdom of darkness and still have Jesus Christ in that position of your heart.

Matthew 6:24 No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. After understanding this, here is how you can form this second question. Again remember you are addressing the spirit that gave you the answer to what you were discerning so always direct your questions at it.

"Spirit that said this I command you to speak the truth in Jesus Christ's Name, do you confess Jesus Christ is the Son of God?"

If you get a "yes" this question then the spirit speaking is from God but you still need to ask all 3 questions because if you get one wrong answer that tells you there is some type of witchcraft attack or deception involved and you need to pray and get rid of it in Jesus Christ's Name.

Question #3 Do you confess Jesus Christ is your Lord?
1 Corinthians 12:3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

Let me point something out here on this verse for clarification. "No man" in both locations in this verse is the Greek word oudeis Strong's number G3762. It means: not even one (man, woman or thing), i.e. none, nobody, nothing:—any (man), aught, man, neither any (thing), never (man), no (man), none (+ of these things), not (any, at all, -thing), nought.

By this we know there is nothing or no one that can confess, declare, or say with deception Jesus Christ is my Lord or Jesus Christ my Lord but by the Holy Ghost. (The Holy Spirit, and the Anointing He is called in different places in the Word of God.) The Holy Spirit comes and dwells inside someone who has truly repented and has accepted Jesus Christ into their hearts making Him their Lord. (Romans 8:9; 1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19-20; John 14:16) Through this profession of faith we are saying Jess Christ is my Lord, the Lord of my heart, my life, my Redeemer. He is the one who saved me. He is the Christ. He has all power over the enemy and He is the living, risen Son of God.

The enemy can use deception to make a confession to sound as if it came from God; this is why you must test and try everything in Jesus Christ's Name.

Examples in posting, testing, writings and such like we have encountered. Using Copy & paste, voice to text & text to voice. Other examples are: "Jesus. Christ is my Lord." Note the period in between Jesus and Christ. Another is: "Jesus Christ, King of Kings and Lord of Lords is my Lord and Savior." In this last one you can see the declaration is saying Jesus Christ has been separated as the chief declaration. It can be divided as this I was told when praying about it. Jesus Christ…. King of kings and Lord of lords is my Lord and Savior. The confessions that the Word of God says is to be made is: Jesus Christ is my Lord or Jesus Christ my Lord without deception.

This is where a lot of witchcraft attacks are used as well. The enemy cannot actually duplicate God's voice but through their manipulation through their witchcraft practices they can launch attacks against you personally like blocking your spiritual hearing, confusing your mind, using technology like the voice of God where they send thought into your mind that people assume is from Him, even disrupt the atmosphere around you in various ways, frequencies and such like. It's spiritual warfare that can carry over into the physical but the attacks originate from the spirit realm.

So your 3rd question would be similar to this.
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Spirit that said this, I command you to speak the truth in Jesus Christ's Name, do you confess Jesus Christ is your Lord?'

A true 'Yes' answer can only be given through the Holy Ghost Spirit which is the Redeemed of Jesus Christ and all of Heaven.

Other ways to discern from the Word of God

1. What fruit does the spirit produce you are testing.discerning?
Matthew 7:15-21

[15]Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.
[16] Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?
[17]Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.
[18]A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.
[19]Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.
[20]Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.
[21] Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
Matthew 12:33 Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit.
Matthew 12: 35 A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.
Luke 6:43-46
[43] For a good tree bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither doth a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.
[44] For every tree is known by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes.
[45]A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

Some of the Fruits to watch for with examples.
Good fruit:

Galatians 5:22-23
[22]But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
[23] Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.
Ephesians 5:9-10; 18-21
[9](For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth;)
[10] Proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.
[18]And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;
[19] Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord;
[20] Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ;
[21] Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.
2 Timothy 2:22-25
[22] Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.
[23]But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.
[24]And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,
[25]In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them

repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;

2 Peter 1:5-8

5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;
6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;
7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.
8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 1:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

Romans 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.

2 Timothy 4: 2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine.

2 Timothy 4: 5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.

Evil/Bad fruit:

Galatians 5:19-21

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

Romans 1:21-32

21 Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22 Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools,
23 And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things.
24 Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves:
25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.
26 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:
27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.
28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;
29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,
30 Backbiters, haters of God, despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to

parents,
31 Without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful:
32 Who knowing the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death, not only do the same, but have pleasure in them that do them.

Ephesians 5:3-7

3 But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints;
4 Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.
5 For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.
6 Let no man deceive you with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.
7 Be not ye therefore partakers with them.

1 Corinthians 6:6-10

6 But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers.
7 Now therefore there is utterly a fault among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded?
8 Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that your brethren.
9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,
10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

1 Timothy 1:9-10

9 Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,
10 For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine;

2 Timothy 3:2-9

2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.
8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.
9 But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also

was.

2 Timothy 4:3-4

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
4And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.

2. Do they teach/preach, give a word, and such like according to Scripture? Are they false or true?

For this one you need a good understanding and foundation in the Word of God which comes by studying and examining the Word with Holy Spirit's help so you can recognize when something is spoken wrong. In addition if something is different that what you were taught or understand yourself you can study it out prayerfully in Jesus Christ's Name to see if you misunderstood, there's more to your former learning, or they are wrong. We must all remain teachable by the sweet Holy Spirit. He will never lead us contrary to the Word of God.

2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:.
Titus 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;
Romans 15:4 For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope.

Acts 17:13-14

13But when the Jews of Thessalonica had knowledge that the word of God was preached of Paul at Berea, they came thither also, and stirred up the people.
14And then immediately the brethren sent away Paul to go as it were to the sea: but Silas and Timotheus abode there still.

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

1 Timothy 6:3-5

3If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;
4He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,
5 Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

1 John 2:24-27

24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.
25And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life.
26 These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.
27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name,

he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

2 Peter 1:20-21

[20]Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.
[21] For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

2 Thessalonians 2:2-3

2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.
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;

3. Does the spirit you're testing/discerning glorify, uplift & honor to Father God & Jesus Christ?

We must remember all we do should glorify God by showing His attributes through Jesus Christ in us. Does the spirit you're discerning uplifting themselves, someone else, or Father God and Jesus Christ? Again this question also includes watching the fruit of what or who you are trying and testing in Jesus Christ's Name. A Child of God should be bearing good fruit. The Holy Spirit will lead you to live a holy life that glorifies God and not go against the Word of God ever!

John 15:1-2; 5

1 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.
[2]Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
[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.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

1 Peter 2:12 Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

Matthew 23:12 And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

1 Peter 1:14-16

[14]As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:
[15]But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;
[16] Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

1 Corinthians 10:31 Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.

John 16:13-15

[13]Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not

speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.
[14]He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.
[15]All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.
John 15:26-27
[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:
[27]And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.
2 Peter 2:12-22
[12]But these, as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;
[13]And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness, as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you;
[14]Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:
[15]Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who loved the wages of unrighteousness;
[16]But was rebuked for his iniquity: the dumb ass speaking with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet.
[17]These are wells without water, clouds that are carried with a tempest; to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.
[18] For when they speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error.
[19] While they promise them liberty, they themselves are the servants of corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.
[20] For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.
[21] For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.
[22]But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.
1 Peter 5:2-3
[2] Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof, not by constraint, but willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind;
[3] Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but being examples to the flock.

4. Does the spirit edify the body of Christ or is it tearing it down?

If the spirit is the Holy Spirit then what is being spoken no matter what form of communications should bring His children. the body closer to Jesus Christ and obedience to Him. He shall always lead us to Jesus Christ and His ways. Does it reprove, correct, edify, warn, and instruct in righteousness? Or does it cause division, confusion, and strife? Are they edifying

the body in their actions and positions? These are key things to look for to try and test.

2 Timothy 3:16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

1 Corinthians 14:3; 22-25

3 But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort.

22 Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.

23 If therefore the whole church be come together into one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in those that are unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that ye are mad?

24 But if all prophesy, and there come in one that believeth not, or one unlearned, he is convinced of all, he is judged of all:

25 And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest; and so falling down on his face he will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth.

Ephesians 4:11-13

11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

2 Peter 2:1-3

1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words make merchandise of you: whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

Ezekiel 34:2-6

2 Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel, prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds; Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

3 Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed: but ye feed not the flock.

4 The diseased have ye not strengthened, neither have ye healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away, neither have ye sought that which was lost; but with force and with cruelty have ye ruled them.

5 And they were scattered, because there is no shepherd: and they became meat to all the beasts of the field, when they were scattered.

6 My sheep wandered through all the mountains, and upon every high hill: yea, my flock was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek after them.

Psalms 78:70-72

70 He chose David also his servant, and took him from the sheepfolds:

[71] From following the ewes great with young he brought him to feed Jacob his people, and Israel his inheritance.
[72] So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart; and guided them by the skilfulness of his hands.

James 4:1-8

1 From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?
[2] Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.
[3] Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.
[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.
[5] Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?
[6] But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.
[7] Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.
[8] Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

5. What is the Holy Spirit telling you? Listen to what He's saying to you?

The Holy Spirit was sent to convict us of our sin. He came to comfort us, guide us to all truth, give us spiritual gifts and the desire to obey God. He empowers us and enables us to pray and to understand God's Word. He is the Spirit of God that was inside of Jesus Christ when He walked the earth as both God and in man flesh. (John 14:26; John 16:13; 18; 1 Corinthians 2:10)

If you are in tune with sweet Holy Spirit, listening to Him in your daily life then He will let you know, by alerting you somehow something is o. He has His way of alerting each person and it can be different. Some it can be a nudge in their spirit, glory bumps as I call them, hair standing up on arms and necks, a gentle whisper, just knowing, a direct word that something's not right and so many other ways. Even if it turns out to be a misunderstanding of what has been spoken, taught or seen. Then again the spirit can be false and of the enemy. In addition it's necessary to try/ test the spirit inside the person and what's being said.written and such like. It can be that the person is a true child of God and for example is preaching what he has been taught but his message isn't 100% true. It's not intentional though. His spirit in him will prove true but the message can prove false...in error.

1 John 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

John 16:13-14

[13] Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

[14] He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

6. Do they lead you to Jesus Christ and Father God?

There is only one way to Heaven and to the Father and that is through Jesus Christ. Do they try to lead you to Father God and Jesus Christ or away? Are they telling you there's more than 1 way to Heaven?

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Matthew 28:18-20

[18]And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

[19] Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

[20] Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Romans 10:13-14

[13] For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

[14] How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher?

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

[16] But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report?

[17] So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Matthew 18:3-7

[3] And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

[4] Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

[5]And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.

[6] But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

[7] Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!

Verse 6 "Shall offend" is Strong's #G4624 skandalizō which means: to put a stumbling block or impediment in the way, upon which another may trip and fall, metaph. to offend; to entice to sin; to entrap, i.e. trip up (figuratively, stumble (transitively) or entice to sin, apostasy or displeasure):—(make to) offend.

Matthew 23:13-15

13 But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suer ye them that are entering to go in.
14 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye devour widows' houses, and for a pretence make long prayer: therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.
15 Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.

Matthew 24:12; 23-24

12 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.
23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.
24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

2 Corinthians 11:4; 13-15

4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.
13 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.
14And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.
15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

Titus 2:1; 11-15

1 But speak thou the things which become sound doctrine:
11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,
12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;
13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;
14Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.
15 These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

James 3:1-2

1 My brethren, be not many masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation.
2 For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body.

7. Seek the answer in prayer concerning the spirit you're testing, proving and discerning in Jesus Christ's Name.

1 Corinthians 2:10-12

10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.
11 For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.
12 Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we

might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

Jeremiah 33:3 Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not.

Matthew 7:7-8

7 Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you:
8 For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.

James 1:5-6

5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.
6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

John 14:13-14

13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

John 15:7 If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.

Mark 11:24 Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

Concerning Bitterness & Forgiveness 8-27-24
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Unforgiveness, bitterness, resentment and hatred are all linked together. The Child of God who has accepted Jesus Christ into their hearts as Lord is instructed to forgive all. Although it is still your choice to forgive it is for you to receive forgiveness from FatherGod in Heaven then it's mandatory for you to forgive as well.

Verses on Bitterness/Unforgiveness

Hebrews 12:14-15

14 Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

15 Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled;

Ephesians 4:29-32

29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

31 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:

32 And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

Colossians 3:1-10

If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

6 For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience:

7 In the which ye also walked some time, when ye lived in them.

8 But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.

9 Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds;

10 And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:

Verses about forgiving and what happens if we choose not to forgive.

James 2:13

13 For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.

Mathew 18:21-22; 34-35

21 Then came Peter to him, and said, Lord, how oft shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?

22 Jesus saith unto him, I say not unto thee, Until seven times: but, Until seventy times seven.

34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

35 So likewise shall my heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

(Whole Parable in Matthew 18:23-35)

Mark 11:25-26

25 And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

26 But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

Matthew 6:14-15

14 For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

15 But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Colossians 3:12-13

12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

Romans 12:16-21

16 Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits.

17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

18 If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

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.

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.

21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.

How to proceed when wronged or if you wronged someone per the Holy Word of God.

Matthew 5:23-24

23 Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee;

24 Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.

Ought is Strong's G5100 which is *tis.* Strong's Usage: a certain, a certain one

Thayer's Greek Lexicon is : universally, anything, something: Matthew 5:23; (These verses also have this meaning of the word ought as well. Mark 8:23; Luke 11:54; Acts 25:5; 11; 1 Corinthians 10:31)

Matthew 18:15-17

[15] Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother.

[16] But if he will not hear thee, then take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.

[17] And if he shall neglect to hear them, tell it unto the church: but if he neglect to hear the church, let him be unto thee as an heathen man and a publican.

Luke 17:3-4

[3] Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him.

[4] And if he trespass against thee seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saying, I repent; thou shalt forgive him.

Trespass is Strong's G264 *hamartanō.* The KJV translates Strong's G264 in the following manner: sin (38x), trespass (3x), offend (1x), for your faults (1x).

Rebuke is Strong's G2008 *epitimaō.* The KJV translates Strong's G2008 in the following manner: rebuke (24x), charge (4x), straightly charge (1x).

Matthew 5:43-48

43 Ye have heard that it hath been said, Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate thine enemy.

44 But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust.

46 For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ye? do not even the publicans the same?

47 And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?

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

Going to someone you have wronged or they have wronged you and forgiving them in Jesus Christ's Name can lead to this,

James 5:19-20

19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him;

20 Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

Galatians 6:1-2

1 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.

Effects of the poison of bitterness/unforgiveness/hatred in a person's life.

Your heart isn't right before God when bitterness is found inside it. We see this in the verses in Acts 8 where Peter is speaking to Simon the sorcerer concerning bitterness in his heart and also in iniquity.

Acts 8:21-23

21 Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right in the sight of God.

22 Repent therefore of this thy wickedness, and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.

23 For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.

Iniquity definition: A particular deviation from rectitude; a sin or crime; wickedness; any act of injustice.

Example: Your iniquities have separated between you and your God. Is.59.

Romans 3:11-18

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

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

13 Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips:

14 Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness:

15 Their feet are swift to shed blood:

16 Destruction and misery are in their ways:

17 And the way of peace have they not known:

18 There is no fear of God before their eyes.

Proverbs 10:12

12 Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

Galatians 5:19-21

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

James 4:17

17 Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth it not, to him it is sin.

I ask you to please pray about all this in Jesus Christ's mighty infallible Name and try, test, prove all things according to the Holy Word of God.

God bless to all. Stay under the Blood of Jesus Christ always.

God's Covenant with Abraham & How it Applies to Christians Today 8-21-26

FOR THE GLORY OF FATHER GOD & JESUS CHRIST ALWAYS

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A covenant is an agreement between two parties. There are two basic types of covenants: conditional and unconditional. A conditional or bilateral covenant is an agreement that is binding on both parties for its fulfillment. Both parties agree to fulfill certain conditions. If either party fails to meet their responsibilities, the covenant is broken and neither party has to fulfill the expectations of the covenant. An unconditional or unilateral covenant is an agreement between two parties, but only one of the two parties has to do something. Nothing is required of the other party.

The Abrahamic Covenant is an unconditional covenant. The actual covenant is found in Genesis 12:1–3.

Genesis 12:1-3

1 the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee:
2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:
3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

The vision in which God constructs Abraham in preparing the sacrifices that were part of God's Covenant with him recorded in Genesis 15 indicates the unconditional nature of the covenant. When a covenant was dependent upon both parties keeping commitments, then both parties would pass between the pieces of animals. In Genesis 15, God alone moves between the halves of the animals. Abraham was in a deep sleep. God's solitary action indicates that the covenant is principally His promise. He binds Himself to the covenant. Later, God gave Abraham the rite of circumcision as the specific sign of this Covenant. His covenant with Abraham is found in Genesis 17:9–14.

Genesis 17:9–14

[9] And God said unto Abraham, Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.
[10] This is my covenant, which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee; Every man child among you shall be circumcised.
[11] And ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.
[12] And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger, which is not of thy seed.

[13] He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant.
[14] And the uncircumcised man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul shall be cut off from his people; he hath broken my covenant.

All males in Abraham's line were to be circumcised and thus carry with them a lifelong mark in their flesh that they were part of God's physical blessing in the world. Any descendant of Abraham who refused circumcision was declaring himself to be outside of God's covenant; this explains why God was angry with Moses when Moses failed to circumcise his son.

Exodus 4:24–26
[24] And it came to pass by the way in the inn, that the Lord met him, and sought to kill him.
[25] Then Zipporah took a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her son, and cast it at his feet, and said, Surely a bloody husband art thou to me.
[26] So he let him go: then she said, A bloody husband thou art, because of the circumcision.

Through this we can see that God was determined to call out a separate people, a special people chosen for Himself, and through those special people He would bless the whole world. The Lord tells Abram His promises to Him found in this binding covenant He made with him. It's within this promise, that Father God later changed Abram's name from Abram (high father) to Abraham (father of a multitude).

Genesis 17:5 Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but thy name shall be Abraham; for a father of many nations have I made thee.

As we've seen, the Covenant of Abraham is unconditional. It will stand fast and sure and nothing will or can change it. It should also be taken literally. There is no need to rationalize these promises to Abraham. God's promises to Abraham's descendants will be fulfilled literally as He has spoken and it is written in the Word of God.

Deuteronomy 7:9 Know therefore that the Lord thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;

The Covenant God made with Abraham included the promise of land (Genesis 12:1). It was a specific land, an actual property, with dimensions specified in Genesis 15:18–21. In Genesis 13:15, God gives Abraham all the land that he can see, and the gift is declared to be 'forever.'

God was not going to renege on His promise. The territory given as part of the Covenant of Abraham is expanded in Deuteronomy 30:1–10, often called the Palestinian Covenant.

Further in the Word of God later in time and in other history documents, after Abraham died, the children of Israel took possession of the land under Joshua's leadership.

Joshua 21:43 And the Lord gave unto Israel all the land which he sware to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.

At no point in history, though, has Israel fully controlled all of the land God had specified yet. There remains, still yet, a final fulfillment of this Covenant between Father God and Abraham that will see Israel occupying their God-given homeland to the fullest extent. The fulfillment will be more than a matter of geography; it will also be a time of holiness and restoration.

Ezekiel 20:40–44
40 For in mine holy mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the Lord God, there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land, serve me: there will I accept them, and there will I require your offerings, and the firstfruits of your oblations, with all your holy things.
41 I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen.
42 And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I shall bring you into the land of Israel, into the country for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to your fathers.
43 And there shall ye remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein ye have been defiled; and ye shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for all your evils that ye have committed.
44 And ye shall know that I am the Lord when I have wrought with you for my name's sake, not according to your wicked ways, nor according to your corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord God.

*****More information is also in Ezekiel chapters 36 & 37*****

The Covenant of Abraham also promised many descendants.

Genesis 12:2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

God promised that the number of Abraham's children would rival that of the dust of the earth and they would possess the land forever.

Genesis 13:15-16
15 For all the land which thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.
16 And I will make thy seed as the dust of the earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.

Nations and kings would proceed from him.

Genesis 17:6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee, and kings shall come out of thee.

It is significant that the promise was given to an aged, childless couple, but Romans 4:20 says, Abraham did not stagger through unbelief but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and his wife Sarah, through faith also herself received strength to conceive seed, and was delivered of a child when she was past age, because she judged him faithful who had promised it tells us in Hebrews 11:11.

Abraham was justified, considered righteous by his faith.

Genesis 15:6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.

Abraham and his wife welcomed Isaac, the son of promise, into their home when they were 100 and 90 years old.

Genesis 17:17; 21:5

Genesis 17:17 Then Abraham fell upon his face, and laughed, and said in his heart, Shall a child be born unto him that is an hundred years old? and shall Sarah, that is ninety years old, bear?

Genesis 21:5 And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son Isaac was born unto him.

Father God reiterates His Covenant with Abrahm to his son Isaac and to his son Jacob, whose name God changes to Israel. The great nation is eventually established in the land where Abraham had dwelled. King David, one of Abraham's many descendants, is given the Davidic Covenant which included the promise that a son of David would one day rule over the Jewish nation—and all nations—from Jerusalem.

2 Samuel 7:12–16
[12] And when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.
[13] He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish the throne of his kingdom for ever.
[14] I will be his father, and he shall be my son. If he commit iniquity, I will chasten him with the rod of men, and with the stripes of the children of men:
[15] But my mercy shall not depart away from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away before thee.
[16] And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee: thy throne shall be established for ever.

Other locations found in the Old Testament with prophecies concerning the blessed, future fulfillment of that promise includes Isaiah chapter 11; Micah chapter 4; Zechariah chapter 8).

The Abrahamic Covenant also included a promise of blessing and redemption.

Genesis 12:3 And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

All the earth would be blessed through Abraham. This promise finds its fulfillment in the New Covenant Jeremiah spoke about and was made possible through Jesus Christ's shedding of His Blood.

Jeremiah 31:31–34
[31] Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:
[32] Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the Lord:
[33] But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.
[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.

By all that Jesus Christ, the son of Abraham and Redeemer has done, He will one day restore everything and provide a new covenant.

Acts 3:20-21
[20] And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you:
[21] Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.

2 Corinthians 3:4-7
[4] And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward:
[5] Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God;
[6] Who also hath made us able ministers **of the new testament**; not of the letter, but of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit giveth life.
[7] But if the ministration of death, written and engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which glory was to be done away:

Five times in Genesis 12 in verses 1-3; 7, as God is making His Covenant with Abraham, the Abrahamic Covenant, He says, "I will or will I." It's clear to see that God takes the onus meaning the burden or obligation of keeping the Covenant upon Himself. The Abrahamic Covenant is unconditional. One day, Israel will repent, be forgiven, and be restored to God's favor.

Zechariah 12:10–14
[10] And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.
[11] In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.
[12] And the land shall mourn, every family apart; the family of the house of David apart, and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart;
[13] The family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of Shimei apart, and their wives apart;
[14] All the families that remain, every family apart, and their wives apart.

Romans 11:25–27
[5] For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.
[26] And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:
[27] For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

One day, the nation of Israel will possess the entire territory promised to them. One day, the Messiah will return to set up His throne, and through His righteous rule the whole world will be blessed with an abundance of peace, pleasure, and prosperity. How does this apply to all people both the Jews and Gentiles?

When we accept Jesus Christ into our hearts and make Him our Lord then we are engrafted into the vine and become adopted children of God and heirs to the promises given to Abraham in God's Covenant with Him which are also part of the New Covenant which came by way of Jesus Christ's sacrifice also called the new testament.

Hebrews 12:24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

John 1:17 For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

Luke 22:20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

Luke 24:44 And he said unto them, These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me.

Hebrews 8:6-13
6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was established upon better promises.
7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.
8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:
9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.
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:
11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.
12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.
13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Hebrews 10:7-10; 15-20
7 Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.
8 Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure therein; which are offered by the law;
9 Then said he, Lo, I come to do thy will, O God. He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.
10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

15 Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before,
16 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;
17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.
18 Now where remission of these is, there is no more offering for sin.
19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,

[20] By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh;

Romans 10:4-5
[4] For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.
[5] For Moses describeth the righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.

Romans 8:1-4
[1] There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
[2] For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.
[3] For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
[4] That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Hebrews 7:22; 25-28
[22] By so much was Jesus made a surety of a better testament.
[25] Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.
[26] For such an high priest became us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;
[27] Who needeth not daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifice, first for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did once, when he offered up himself.
[28] For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, maketh the Son, who is consecrated for evermore.

Galatians 3:13-29
[13] Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:
[14] That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.
[15] Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.
[16] Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.
[17] And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.
[18] For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more of promise: but God gave it to Abraham by promise.

[19] Wherefore then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions, till the seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator.
[20] Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one.
[21] Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law.
[2 2]But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.
[23]But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.
[24] Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.
[25]But after that faith is come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.
[26] For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.
[27] For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
[28]There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.
[29] And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

These verses in particular in this passage of Scripture being Galatians 3:14–15 & 26–29 emphasize that Abraham's promise is spiritual and universal, fulfilled in Christ and is for all who believe in Him.

John 15:1-10
[1] I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.
[2] Every branch in me that beareth not fruit he taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, he purgeth it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
[3] Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.
[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.
[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.
[6] If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned.
[7] If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
[8] Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.
[9] As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.
[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.

Acts 13:32-33
[32] And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers,

[33] God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that he hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

Ephesians 3:4-6
[4] Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
[5] Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit;
[6] That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs, and of the same body, and partakers of his promise in Christ by the gospel:

Romans 10:12 For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.

Colossians 3:11 Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.

Acts 10:34-35
[34] Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:
[35] But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

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

Colossians 3:25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

Grabbing hold of the horns of the altar 5-9-22@8:47AM

“My friend asked me recently, what did I think the phrase “Grabbing hold of the four corners of the altar,” mean in my opinion? She asked is it relevant for today or only in the Old Testament days? These are not the exact words she used. I told her to me it meant praying before God until your prayers are answered, but it started me prayerfully searching the true meaning of this phrase!!!

The horns of the altar were first mentioned in the book of Exodus as part of the furnishings of the Tabernacle and used in the consecration of the priest (Exodus 29:12). Exodus chapter 29:37 describes the altar as “most holy!” Verses 43-46 of this same chapter God tells the people of Israel that He will meet them here in great detail!!!

The horns of the altar in Jerusalem had provided refuge for fugitives! Those who caught hold of the horns of the altar were granted refuge as in the case of Adonijah in 1 Kings 1:50-53. When Adonijah, King Solomon’s step brother set himself up to be king in place of Solomon and his treachery was heard of, he in fear for his life ran to the altar and grabbed hold of its horns. The primary reason: He thought no one would dare kill a person at the same holy place where offerings were made to the Lord God Jehovah! The intent though of his heart was not repentant or pure before God, but at this moment of time, his life was spared.

Also, we read of Joab in 1 Kings 2:28-34 who ran to the horns of the altar in an attempt to escape death, and his heart was evil too, but he lost his life. Our God know what lies in each of our hearts and nothing is ever hidden from His all-seeing eyes!!!

The horns of the altar are mentioned on three occasions in the Old Testament in Psalms 118:27 which gives the idea that it includes a time of festivities and praise at the Tabernacle! In Amos 3:14 we see it is used in connection in this passage with the altars of Bethel and describes the altars of pagan worship during this time, but in Ezekiel 43 it refers to the horns of the altar, the altar that will exist in the future Millennial Temple and is described in much detail in verses 13-27. So, if it’s not relevant for today, then why would it be mentioned for the future time to come?

I personally feel the altar today has two meanings. We know first and foremost it is a symbolization of the cross of Christ- the most holy place, and second it symbolizes fiery prayer. It’s a place for repentance. A place of hope, of peace and restorations!!! Simply put, to grab hold of the horns of the altar means we go to God with all our hearts and cry out for mercy. We lay our needs and petitions, our pleas before him in humbleness of heart, in faith believing he is faithful to answer us, his true children in Jesus’ holy and powerful name.

We can do this through the direct results of what Jesus did when He died on the cross!!! We petition our need before God through Jesus, for it’s through him only that we can approach God’s throne, and we plead and pray until we receive our answer which by the way can be “yes,” “no,” or “wait,”!!!

When a person grabs a hold of the horns of the altar, they are consciously, mentally, and spiritually grabbing hold of the sacrifice of Jesus and saying, Heavenly Father because of Jesus and what He's done on the cross, I need You to answer my prayer. We pray all our prayers in Jesus' name!!! This honor is available to all who have accepted Jesus as their Savior.

If more people had been grabbing hold of the horns of the altar, repenting and crying out to God, instead of grabbing hold of their cell phones, their tablets and other worldly distractions, then we would not be facing this war that's fast approaching our nation America and the world, because war shall not be contained in the United States alone, but will spread like ripples in the water when a stone is cast into it.

With all the evilness of our world today, we need to all grab hold of the four horns of the altar of God, and no this does not mean when we that we are returning to living under the law of Moses! We are not under the old covenant, but under the law, the covenant of grace, of Jesus' sacrifice and the covering of His precious blood!!!

I, personally prefer to stay grabbing hold of the horns of the altar, in constant prayer and I believe each horn, of each of the four corners, to my understanding represents the four corners of the world. So, I feel the altar, Jesus' sacrifice is for all people!!! All people everywhere so please by all means let's unite in prayer and grab hold of the four corners of the altar and pray for our world, our nation together in our lovely Jesus' mighty and powerful name!!!

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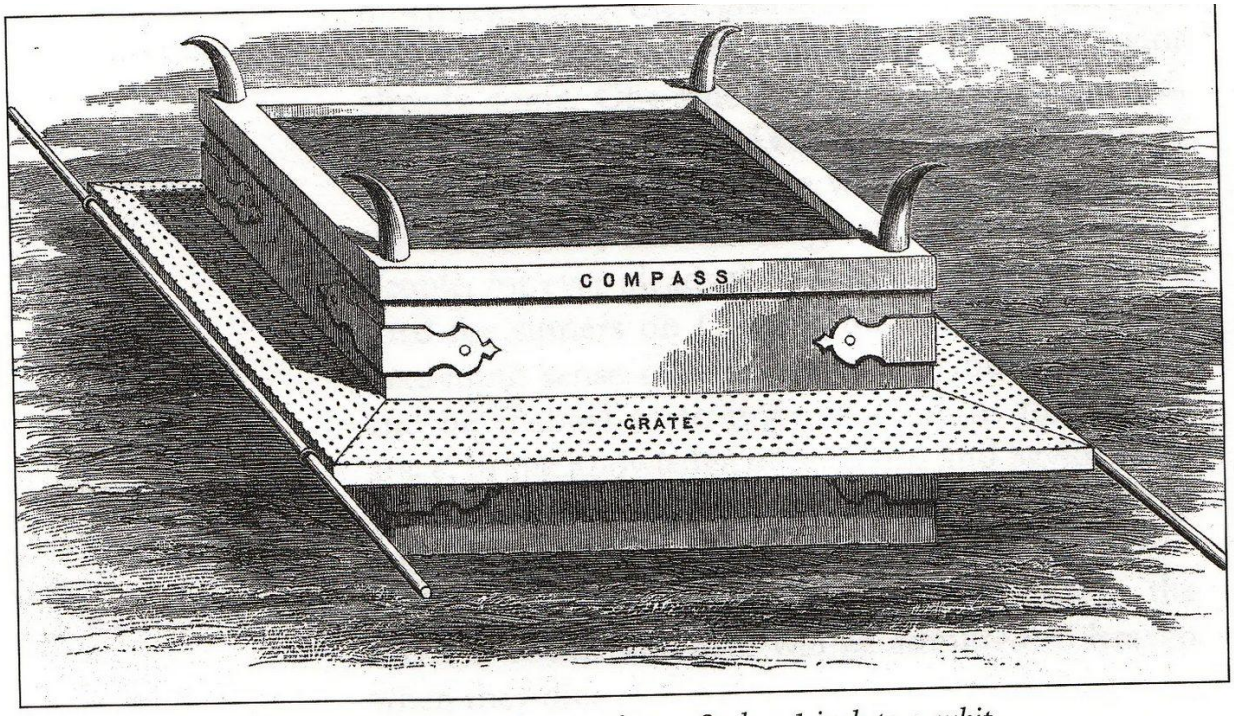
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From Model. The Brazen Altar. Scale—1 inch to a cubit.

He will Come as a Thief Really Means What?
Vicki Goforth Parnell 2-19-26

Please note that the Holy Word of God does say Jesus Christ will come as a thief in the night, but that's only half of what is written. Please try, test and discern this in Jesus Christ's Name for yourself then do as Jesus Christ leads.

2 Peter 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

This verse connects His return to the Great Day of the Lord, the Day of the Wrath of the Lamb and that it will be like a thief…meaning in its suddenness.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.
2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.
3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.
4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, ***that that day should overtake you as a thief.***
5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.
6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; ***but let us watch and be sober.***

In these verses too it tells us if we watch He doesn't have to come as a thief in the night for those watching, but for those not watching it will be as a thief.

Revelation 3:2-3
2 ***Be watchful***, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.
3 Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. ***If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.***

These verses mean if you don't watch then He comes like a thief in the night for you. So we know this is the warning for those not watching for His return. Is it not very clear?

Revelation 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.

Matthew 24:42-43
42 Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.
43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

In relation to Revelation 16:15 we see in Matthew 24:42-43 how if we are watchful the thief does not come upon us nor enter our house. This again is indirectly pointing out if you are

watching then His return does not have to be like that of a thief. But if we don't watch then the thief comes without us knowing. Again, referring to how He comes for those not watching for Him. In reality, this is only a few.

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

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3
1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,
2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.
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;***

By the way, those that says antichrist can't be revealed until after the rapture, the being caught up, please read the end of 2 Thessalonians 2:3 which says, "***except there come a falling away first***, and ***that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;"*** Then please take this to Jesus Chrit in prayer, search the Scripture, pray for His truth to be revealed to you in Jesus Christ's Name through the sweet Holy Ghost Spirit our Teacher.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

John 16:13-14
13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.
14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

1 John 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

1 Thessalonians 5:21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

1 John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

1 Corinthians 13:1 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

Free Indeed & Eternal Security Means What?

Vicki Goforth Parnell 4-19-25

John 8:36 KJV (Now) If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

The way I learned it from the Holy Bible growing up. (I will be using this one as I speak.)

John 8:36 KJV Originally Whom the Son sets free is free indeed.

When we are born into this world we are under the curse of sin that was placed upon this world after Adam and Eve sinned in the garden. So technically we belong to the kingdom of darkness otherwise we would not need to be redeemed. What do I mean by the curse of sin? I'm referring to the curses Father God uttered in Genesis 3 that affected the whole world as a result of sin entering into it when Adam and Eve in disobedience fell into sin in the garden of Eden which after the law was given people were made aware of their sins. The law given by God made sin apparent to the world, to the people. Men were not and will never be perfect. They failed to keep the law God had given the Israelites. When Jesus Christ came to this world as both God and in the flesh of a man and walked among men their sins were now openly seen. Jesus Christ came to fulfill the law meeting every requirement by God for sin to be atoned for. In addition He is the perfect High Priest.

Galatians 3:10-13
10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse: for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.
11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.
12 And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.
13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

John 15:22 If I had not come and spoken unto them, they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin.

1 John 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

Hebrews 4:14-16
14 Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession.
15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.
16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

Now the covenant of God with man still stands but now is called the new covenant in that it's one of Grace and not of works. One made possible through Jesus Christ alone. Salvation and freedom from sin is only made possible through His sacrifice on the cross. When one accepts Jesus Christ into their hearts they're redeemed from their sins, having them washed away by His Blood. They are free from having to fulfill the acts of the law, the old Law given in the Old Testament. This gift of Salvation is free and offered to every man, woman and child. The Word of God says Jesus Christ died for all.

Romans 8:2-4
2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.
3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
4 That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

2 Corinthians 5:15 And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.

Romans 5:6-9
6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.
7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.
8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

We see Salvation and the freedom that comes with it is a gift given to us from a loving Father which is Father God our Creator. What is a gift? Something given willingly to someone without payment; a present. The gift of salvation through Jesus Christ is offered through grace to the whole world but for this gift to become yours you have to receive it. Otherwise it's like a gift sitting on a shelf with your name on it that's unclaimed. Salvation is a choice. When the sweet Holy Spirit draws you to Jesus Christ convicting you of your sins you are given the choice to reject or accept His gift of eternal salvation

Ephesians 2:8-9
8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
9 Not of works, lest any man should boast.

When one accepts Jesus Christ into their hearts as the Lord they are a new creation by new birth and now are adopted into the family of God becoming part of His kingdom. The Kingdom of Light. Being part of His kingdom means we are no longer part of Lucifer's dark kingdom of the world and no longer a partaker of sin. The whole world lies in wickedness, the Word of God says in 1 John 5:19 showing evidence of evil ruling it. This evil being the kingdom of darkness.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

John 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.

Jesus Christ came to save mankind and redeem His soul back from the kingdom of darkness.

Psalms 49:8-9
8 (For the redemption of their soul is precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)
9 That he should still live for ever, and not see corruption.

Once you have been redeemed and purchased by Jesus Christ's blood you belong to Him. All souls belong to God as it says in Ezekiel 18:4. But when it's corrupted by sin it is not acceptable to be in His holy presence. Sin separates us from His holy presences and fellowship with Him as we read in Isaiah 59:1-2. Jesus Christ was the bridge that restores this relationship between God and man when He redeems our souls back to Him.

1 Timothy 2:5-6
5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;
6 Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

James 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.

Romans 3:23-26
23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:
25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;
26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

But does this mean we are eternally secure and no matter what we do we get to go to heaven because Jesus Christ has bought and redeemed us? No, it doesn't. It means we are still His property by His Blood's atonement. His payment He made but we still have a choice where our soul goes for its eternity. Something we could not do as part of the kingdom of darkness before we were set free. Whom the Son sets free is free indeed as John 8:36 says. We would automatically be sent to hell with no other choice to be made as part of their evil kingdom we were originally part of. But because of God's great love and tender Mercy for mankind Jesus Christ came and died for us. Shedding his blood for the forgiveness of sin for all who would come. He died for the whole world's sins.

Now after our new birth in Him we are giving new life. We are given instructions in the Holy Word of God to follow and to draw us closer to Him. It's to root and ground us and keep us from sinning. Here is where we now, being made free, have the choice to be obedient and do all the Word of God tells us to do and make it to heaven. Or we can choose even though one's been purchased by Jesus Christ's Blood to return to a life of sin in which if you die in this state or rapture occurs you will not be with Him either way. Nothing can separate us from the love Father God and Jesus Christ have for us. They will always love us but we can separate ourselves from His kingdom by sinning and returning to Lucifer's Kingdom of sin and darkness. There are many warnings in the Old testament and New testament about backsliding concerning the Children of God. Backsliding is the turning away from Father God and Jesus Christ to participate in idol worship and sins of the flesh. Such as found in these verses of warning.

Hebrews 10:26-31
26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,
27 But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.
28 He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses:
29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace?
30 For we know him that hath said, Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people.
31 It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.
Hebrews 10:38-39
38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.
39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

Hebrews 6:4-7
4 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,
5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,
6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.
7 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bring

Revelation 2:4-5
4 Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.
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.

2 Peter 2:20-22

20 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.
21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.
22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

Luke 9:62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

Jeremiah 14:7 O Lord, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee.

Jeremiah 3:20-22
20 Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ye dealt treacherously with me, O house of Israel, saith the Lord.
21 A voice was heard upon the high places, weeping and supplications of the children of Israel: for they have perverted their way, and they have forgotten the Lord their God.
22 Return, ye backsliding children, and I will heal your backslidings. Behold, we come unto thee; for thou art the Lord our God.

God's Word will prove true. When He says there's no liars, no adulterers, no murderers, no effeminate and such like shall enter Heaven He means those saved and saved who have not repented of their sins.

Galatians 5:17-21
17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.
19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these; Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
20 Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,
21 Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10
9 Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,
10 Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

We are called to live a holy life before our God and King. Be ye holy for I am Holy the Word says. We're instructed to keep ourselves clean and unspotted, to not be partakers of the World and its sin. We are warned to abstain from the very appearance of evil. Why would we be told to do this if once we accepted Jesus Christ into our hearts we would enter Heaven no matter what we did? Why would there be references in the Old and New testament about having your name removed, blotted out from the Book of Life or you as a branch can be cut off? Here is what the Word of God warns us about these things.

Romans 11:21-22
21 For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.
22 Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.

1 Peter 1:15-16
15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;
16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

2 Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

1 Peter 2:11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

1 Thessalonians 5:22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.

1 John 1:5-10
5 This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.
6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:
7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1 John 2:15-17
15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.
16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.
17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

<u>Verses about the Book of Life:</u>

Exodus 32:32-33
32 Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written.
33 And the Lord said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.

Revelation 3:5 Let them be blotted out of the book of the living, and not be written with the righteous.

Revelation 21:27 And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

When Jesus Christ makes us free we are freed from sin's bondage. We're free from the Old Law of performing tasks for forgiveness for our sins. We are free to choose by our actions and words where we spend our eternity. Free indeed. Free from the kingdom of darkness but also free to choose whether we go to heaven or hell and that's because of love. This is a choice we did not have as part of the kingdom of darkness. As part of their kingdom your soul is automatically bound for hell without the freedom to choose where it goes unless you accept Jesus Christ into your heart as your Lord.

Every man will give an account for all they do and say. Every man will reap what they sow because Father God is a just, holy, and righteous God for all. Salvation alone is not a guarantee you will make it into heaven but it does guarantee you a choice in where you spend your eternity. By having a close personal relationship with Father God and Jesus Christ made possible through through our redemption through Him, by following the instructions given in His holy Word which include prayer, reading, and studying it, being obedient in all it instructs us to do, then yes heaven will be our home and while on earth we can still be victorious overcomers in Him and through Him with Sweet Holy Spirit help.

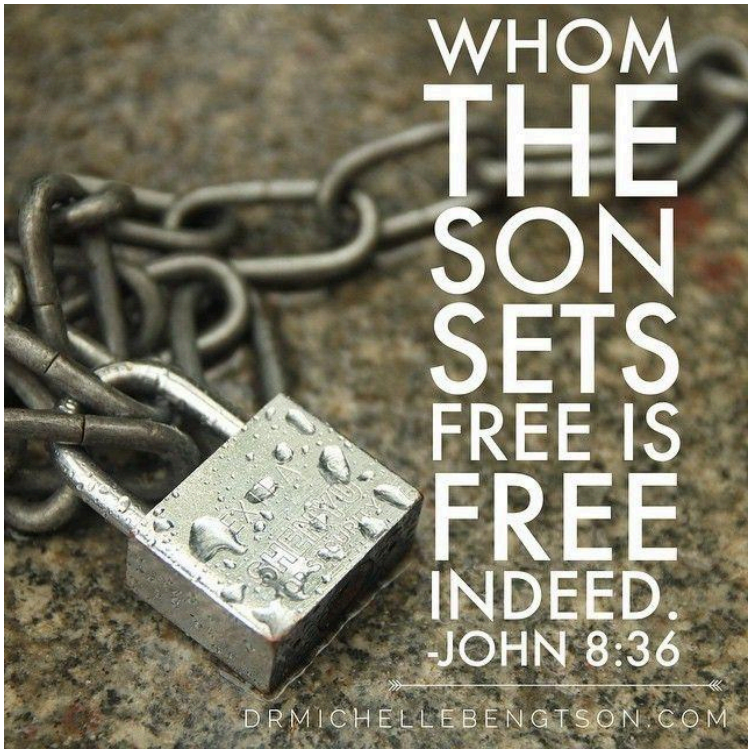
1 Peter 1:17 And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:

Romans 14:12 So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

Galatians 6:7-8
7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.
8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

This is just part of the freedom we have when we accept Jesus Christ in our hearts as our Lord.


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God Mockers 10-21-22

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A mocker is a person who mocks someone or something. To mock means, tease or laugh at in a scornful or contemptuous manner. A God mocker can be someone that mocks Him out right to his face or with their lifestyle. There are many different ways that you can do this. Again, it can be open and in God's face or it can be silent.

God warns us in Galatians 6:7-8 which reads,
(7) Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.
(8) For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

You can't walk with God and hold hands with the devil! You can't straddle the fence either because satan owns the fence. Refusing to make a choice to serve Jesus or satan is by default...you're serving satan, you're serving the devil!

Romans 8:1-8
(1) There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
(2) For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.
(3) For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:
(4) That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.
(5) For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.
(6) For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.
(7) Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be.
(8) So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.

Here are just a few ways that our lives can mock God.

1. We can mock Him in our appearances in the way we dress and present ourselves to the world. We can profess to be Godly but if we look like the world then how can the sinners tell us apart....or God.

1 Timothy 2:9-10
(9) In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array;
(10) But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works.

1Thessalonians 5:27Abstain from all appearances of evil.

Deuteronomy 22:5 The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are abomination unto the Lord thy God.

2. We can mock God with our mouths! Are we professing to be Christians yet do we gossipping about our neighbors? Are we condemning our brother, our sister instead of encouraging and uplifting them as Jesus did when He walked the earth? Are curse words coming out of your mouth and you feel no need to repent of these words? Are we constantly complaining about something?

Psalms 39:1 I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the wicked is before me.

James 3:2 For in many things we offend all. If any man offend not in word, the same is a perfect man, and able also to bridle the whole body.

James 3:6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire of hell.

James 3:9-10
(9)Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God.
(10) Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.

James 1:26 If any man among you seem to be religious, and bridleth not his tongue, but deceiveth his own heart, this man's religion is vain.

1 Peter 1:15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

Psalms 141:3 Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

Proverbs 18:21 Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

3. We can mock God with our thoughts. The consequences of placing our mind on unholy carnal things of the world is that the joy, nearness and peace of God are lost, and our hearts are no longer guarded.

Psalms 10:4 The wicked, through the pride of his countenance, will not seek after God: God is not in all his thoughts.

Proverbs 16:3 Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established.

Philippians 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.

Isaiah 55:7 Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

2 Corinthians 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;

4. We can mock God with our bodies for our bodies are meant to be the temple of the Holy Ghost not for fornication or idol worshiping.

1 Corinthians 6:19 What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

1 Peter 2:11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

1 Thessalonians 4:3 For this is the will of God, even your sanctification, that ye should abstain from fornication:

1 Corinthians 3:16-17
(16) Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?
(17) If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

Galatians 5:16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

5. We can mock God with our eyes. Are you watching a movie or reading a book that Jesus would never read? Are you looking on a man or woman and lusting after them? Are you envious of your neighbor's, your family's possessions or money?

Isaiah 33:15-16
(15)He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;
(16) He shall dwell on high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure.

Psalms 119:37 Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; and quicken thou me in thy way.

Psalms 101:3 I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.

Matthew 5:28 But I say unto you, That whosoever looketh on a woman to lust after her hath committed adultery with her already in his heart.

1 Timothy 6:10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

6. We can mock God in our hearts.

Psalms 66:18 If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:

Psalms 44:21 Shall not God search this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart.

Genesis 5:8 And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Matthew 15:8-9
(8) This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.
(9) But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

7. We can mock God with our lives.

Matthew 23:27-28
(27) Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchers, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.
(28) Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.
Matthew 7:21-23
(21) Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
(22) Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?
(23) And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Hebrews 6:4-6
(4) For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,
(5) And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,
(6) If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

THIS MEANS AT ONE TIME THESE PEOPLE HAD ACCEPTED JESUS AS THEIR LORD AND SAVIOR AND WERE ON FIRE FOR HIM. BUT THEY LET THEIR FIRE GO OUT!!! THEIR WOOD IS NOW WET AND SOGGY. THEY HAVE BACKSLID IN THEIR HEARTS AND ARE FOLLOWING AFTER THE WORLD AND SATAN!

Revelation 3:16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth. (Laodicean church)

1 John 1:6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

2 Corinthians 6:16-18
(16) And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
(17) Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.
(18) And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty

8. People that mocked God at some point during their lives in the Holy Bible:
Samson was a Nazarene and was anointed by God since birth but his life mocked God by his going down to a harlot and then Delilah. Though he prayed to God, He paid the ultimate price with his life. (Judges 13-16)

Saul of Tarsus who later became Paul was a pharisee and lived a "religious" life, but he actively persecuted the true church of Jesus Christ. He was forgiven when he had the road to Damascus. experience. (Acts 9: 1-9)

David was a man after God's own heart but his life mocked God during the time he took Bathsheba, Uriah's wife and slept with her. He then had Uriah murdered and took her as his wife. It was only after Nathan the prophet came to him that he repented but evil was ever present at his door.
(2 Samuel chapter 11 and chapter 12 :1-14)

Eli's sons, Hopni and Phinehas were priest of the Lord, yet they were wicked men, corrupt ministers in God's house who used their position as an opportunity for greedy gain and for sexual immorality.
(1 Sam. 2:12-17 and 22-27).
They paid the ultimate price ...their lives (1 Sam 4:11)

Annanias and Saphira professed to be Christians, but greed got the best of them, and they lied to the Holy Ghost. They too paid the ultimate price with their lives. (Acts 5:1-11)

We can all mock God in many ways, and we can sometimes do it unknowingly. As Christians, we should examine ourselves daily to make sure we are not mocking Him in any way.

Am I dressing modestly? Am I controlling my eyes and not setting anything before them that Jesus would never watch or read? Am I lusting after a person in our hearts? Did I ask forgiveness if I did do something wrong or forgive someone who did me wrong as Jesus did? Can the world see that I am different from them?

There’s so much more we could ask ourselves. This is why it’s so important to allow the Holy Spirit to search us and lead us to repentance by his holy convicting power. Then be obedient to him and with his help...Get the Sin out!

Only God and you know the condition of your heart. Our lives should line up with his word, the Holy Bible and it's time we take it seriously. If Jesus Christ came back at this very moment, would He find you ready to meet Him or would you need time to repent?

Hell and the lake of fire

Vicki Goforth Parnell 3-5-25

Hell/ OT is Strong's H7585 Sheol : underworld, grave, hell, pit.hades or the world of the dead (as if a subterranean retreat), including its accessories and inmates:—grave, hell, pit.
In the Old Testament it means: Sheol - the OT designation for the abode of the dead

1. **place of no return**
2. **without praise of God**
3. **wicked sent there for punishment**
4. **righteous not abandoned to it**
5. **of the place of exile (fig)**
6. **of extreme degradation in sin**

Hell NT is G86 *hadēs*: properly, unseen, i.e. "Hades" or the place (state) of departed souls:—grave, hell.

The devil once had the power over death until Jesus Christ was resurrected. So if he had power over death which is connected to hell then it's part of his kingdom Even though Jesus Christ took the keys from him.

Revelation 1:18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.
Hebrews 2:14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself) likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

Through this verse we now can understand how the saints were seen walking in the holy city at the time Jesus Christ was resurrected in Matthew 27:22-23. The devil no longer has any legal right to keep the children of God's souls in hell, in paradise as they once were held. Yet hell is still part of the devil's kingdom even though part of it is used as a prison by Father God. Even in this Jesus Christ has the final say because He defeated them all. (Colossians 2:15)

Hell:

1. **Hell has levels because the Word of God speaks of the lowest hell.**

Psalms 86:13 For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell.
Deuteronomy 32:22 For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

2. **Hell is beneath us. It would have to be inside the earth to be inside the firmament.**

Isaiah 14:9 Hell from beneath is moved for thee to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee, even all the chief ones of the earth; it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.
Proverbs 15:24 The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

3. **Hell is deep:**

Job 11:8 It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know?

4. **Hell has gates:**

Matthew 16:18 And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.
Isaiah 38:10 I said in the cutting off of my days, I shall go to the gates of the grave: I am deprived of the residue of my years.

5. **It is referred as the land of darkness you go to when you die:**

(Please note this is before Jesus Christ abolished death.)
Job 10:21-22
21 Before I go whence I shall not return, even to the land of darkness and the shadow of death;
22 A land of darkness, as darkness itself; and of the shadow of death, without any order, and where the light is as darkness.

6. **The dead are in hell.**

Proverbs 9:18 But he knoweth not that the dead are there; and that her guests are in the depths of hell.
Isaiah 38:18 For the grave cannot praise thee, death can not celebrate thee: they that go down into the pit cannot hope for thy truth.

7. **The Godly would be in Abrahams's bosom/paradise in hell because the devil at first had the keys to death. (Hebrews 2:14)**

Luke 16:22 And it came to pass, that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels into Abraham's bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried;
Luke 23:43 And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, Today shalt thou be with me in paradise.

8. **Hell is a place of torment and fire for wicked humans souls that are sent there by Father God:**

Psalms 9:17 The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

Luke 16:24-26
24 And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.
25 But Abraham said, Son, remember that thou in thy lifetime receivedst thy good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.
26 And beside all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed: so that they which would pass from hence to you cannot; neither can they pass to us, that would come from thence.

Mark 9:43-48
43 And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:
44 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.
45 And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:
46 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.
47 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire:
48 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.

Matthew 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

9. **Hell is a her and enlarges itself:**

Isaiah 5:14 Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth, shall descend into it.

10. **The Abyss/bottomless pit/pit is located at the bottom of hell**

Numbers 16:30 But if the LORD make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the LORD.

Revelation 9:1-2
1 And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.
2 And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

11. **Examples of judgement/imprisonment for the enemy. (Remember death is found in the land of darkness as read prior Job 10:21-22)**

Jude 6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.
2 Peter 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;
Revelation 20:1-3
1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.
2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,
3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

12. The pit/abyss in hell has sides showing there are different parts to it.

Isaiah 14:11-15
14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.
15 Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.

Lake of Fire:

Lake Strong's G3041 ***limnē*** : a lake
Of fire Strong's G4442 ***pyr*** : fire" (literally or figuratively, specially, lightning):—fiery, fire.

1. **The Lake of Fire was made for the fallen angels as a place of torment.**

Matthew 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into *everlasting fire*, prepared for the devil and his angels:
Matthew 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

2. **It's a place of outer darkness without the presence of the Lord. Jesus Christ is the light. (John 8:12)**

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9
8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;
Matthew 8:12 But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

3. **The Lake of Fire is a different location in which death and hell will be cast into it at judgement's end.**

Revelation 20:13-14

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.
14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

4. **Unrepented wickedness and sin makes human souls worthy of the Lake of Fire:**

Jude 7 Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Matthew 13:41-42

41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;
42 And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

Now Go Catch the Thief!
Vicki Goforth Parnell 7-24-24
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Sevenfold Payback Scripture wise
Key Scriptures
Proverbs 6:30-31(KJV)
30 Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry;
31 But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house.

Restitution and compensation are not a foreign practice in the court of justice. Neither are they in the Courts of Heaven. When proven guilty by a Judge, a wrongdoer must then make amends or restitution for the damage caused to the victim either in form of the judgment against them. It can be monetary or in penitentiary. (Prison time)

The definition of "Restitution" means the giving of something back to its rightful owner or the giving of something of equal value (as for loss or damage).

Proverb 6:30-31 uses the analogy of a thief to bring forth a point on restitution. If the thief is caught, he has to make restitution to the owner by paying back sevenfold of what he has stolen. This restitution may sound unfair, harsh and expensive but it still can't be compared to a restitution made for one found in adultery which says in Proverbs 6:32 causes you to destroy your own soul and in addition you were stoned to death. Why? Because no matter how much restitution you make to the husband of the wife you commit adultery with, he will never be appeased.
So we will look at the requirement of the sevenfold payback set by the law of God for the thief.

1. Definition of "Sevenfold"

The word "sevenfold" contains the number 7. The number 7 appears over 700 times in the Holy Bible and the word "sevenfold" appears 6 times in it as well which also appears one time in Proverbs 6:3. The word "sevenfold" like the number 7 represents full, complete/completion, perfect, exoneration, healing, the fulfillment of promises and oaths.

So when the Word of God talks about "sevenfold pay back", it is referring to a full, complete, and perfect pay back.

2. Satan… lucifer is a thief in our life
John 10:10 The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

Our enemy will continually keep trying to kill, destroy, and steal from us in many ways both physically and spiritually. This doesn't only affect one person's life but can affect many. It has a rippling effect on all people close to you. Some of the ways the enemy robs you is through generational curses, steals your peace and joy or by causing you to sin.

For example if you speak words of doubt over your life or ill spoken harmful words about another. (James 3:10) Doubt will kill your faith and promises if not repented of and wrongfully ill-spoken words are considered a curse and can incur judgment upon you from Father God if not repented of.
(Deuteronomy 28:15; James 3; 4:10-12; Colossians 4:5-6; Psalms 101:5; Galatians 6:7; Ephesians 4:25-32)

Unlike the thief in our key text who has a legitimate excuse for his theft, namely his hunger, our enemy has no legitimate excuse. He is a thief and a liar (John 8:44) simply because it is his nature and job description to destroy, kill or steal from the children of God.

In the above verses of Proverbs 6:30-31 they state that even if the thief has a legitimate excuse to steal because of his hunger, he will still have to pay back sevenfold to the victim if he is caught. Just imagine how much more payback the enemy owes to us who steals from us unmercifully, illegitimately, and unreasonably.

3.Lucifer/ Satan's Storehouse
Our enemy, the kingdom of darkness after stealing and robbing from us stores all the treasure in his storehouse (Matthew 12:29). The items are known as "treasures of darkness" and "hidden riches in secret places."
What are they? The treasures of darkness or the hidden riches in secret places are:

- The spiritual inheritances of the saints like authority, faith and things that are God's gifts and blessings to you. Such as a beautiful family; good kids; good health; spouse; peace; dreams and vision; success; financial blessings.
- Things pertaining to the Kingdom of God as is mentioned in Romans 14:17 such as righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.
- Promises of God for you. David says in Psalm 119:162 I rejoice at thy word like one who finds great spoil.

Today, if you were to go to the enemy's storehouse you will find all the things he has stolen from you. Like the souls of lost loved ones. Your broken dreams and unused authority as a child of God. Your first love in God, your health, forgiveness, your sanity, your wholesomeness, your spouse-to-be; your honor, your rights, your virtue, your justice, your talents, your simple faith, your obedience, your reputation, your labor, your reward, your prodigal son, your hope, your deliverance. Your unfulfilled promises of God. Your blessings of a good family and education, your money, your business, righteousness, peace, joy and still so much more.

So, today, if you feel like the life you are living is not the life of a true believer of Jesus Christ as spoken in the Holy Word of God then you have been robbed. The possessions the devil has stolen such as blessings, riches and treasures are now in the store house of the enemy.

These stolen things are actually the blessings pertaining to your life which God has given to you. They are your rightful lot; your rightful belonging; your rightful blessings; your rightful inheritance as God's child but Satan, the devil comes and steals all of that away from you. Now you are no longer living an abundant life of blessings as the Word of God tells us we can have

through Jesus Christ. (John 10:10) But instead you are barely surviving because you have allowed the enemy to steal so many things including your faith. Your faith that My God shall supply all my need according to His riches in glory through Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:13) Your faith that nothing is impossible for your God to do on your behalf. (Luke 1:37; Matthew 19:26)

4. The enemy's strongman
All these treasures and riches in dark places are heavily guarded by the strongman. The devil, satan, the kingdom of darkness are not wimpy security guards like we see many here. He guards his goods with care. He is a strong man…a strong guard.
(Luke 11:21; Matthew 12:29; Mark 3:27)

So here, we can see that once our rights and inheritances get stolen by the enemy, it is not always easy to recover them because he is a strongman. We have to employ the strategy laid down by God in our recovery of our losses from the kingdom of darkness and do it all in Jesus Christ's Name.

5. How to recover our stolen treasures and riches?
(A) DESPISE HIM
Proverbs 6:30 *Men do not despise a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul when he is hungry;*
Men do not despise a thief if he steals to satisfy his soul when he is hungry. If a man steals because he is hungry, our sympathy goes out to him. We must not sympathize with the theft and robbery of the enemy in our lives because he has no legitimate cause to touch us. He violates our rights because of his lust for soul and everything that God has blessed us with. He steals from us when we have sinned and not repented of it allowing him access to our lives or we still have agreements, oaths hidden or known still legally binding that grants him access that way.

Many of us have stood by without resisting allowing the enemy to steal from our lives. When our business or our job is not doing well, we leave things as they are without praying or trying to change it. We accept it as how it should be. When our children's grades in school are falling, we at times ignore it or believe what others say about them. When our health fails we just accept it as part of getting old or the body breaking down. Remember Moses whose eyesight never dimmed or his strength failed him when he died at 120 years old? (Deuteronomy 34:7). God is no respect of persons. (Romans 2:11)

Some of us have lost our ability to "despise" the thief. The word "despise" means "to look down; to scorn; to look with contempt. The action "despise" carries along with it the emotion of "hate". We've lost our ability to hate what the devil, what his kingdom has done to us.(Proverbs 8:13) There is no more anger in us against him. We simply accept it as how it should be.

Many of us have spiritualized our suffering and have accepted it making peace with it. We fail to recognize that behind every prolonged suffering and injustice is satan, is lucifer. The kingdom of darkness has been attacking and stealing from us all this time and we accept his plunder. Now, suffering has its place in the will and purpose of God but if the suffering goes on for years and years, that is not from God.

Short term suffering has its place but chronic suffering definitely is not God's plan for you. Not when Jesus Christ was striped for our healing. (Isaiah 53:5; 1 Peter 2:24)

The woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years who was so bent over that she could not fully straighten herself was set free by Jesus Christ. If it wasn't God's will for her to be set free and delivered from this infirmity would Jesus Christ have said to her, "And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for 18 years, be loosed from this bond on Sabbath day?" (Luke 13:16) Or would he have left her bound and bowed over if it was His Father's will for her to suffer and be sick?

Stir up holy hatred for the evil ways of what the devil has done to you. Of his taking what God has meant for you. Of being cheated, robbed and placed in bondage from these acts upon your life. If you want to regain your rightful blessings, you have to become righteously angry and despise the thief of your soul. Proverbs 8:13 The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.

(B) Locate, find the thief
Proverbs 6:31(KJV) …."But if he be found."
After the Amalekites plundered Ziklag they stole all the animals and took the remaining families including women and children of David and his men. David asked for the ephod to be brought to him and inquired of the Lord (1 Sam 30:7). We need to ask the Holy Spirit to help us search through all the areas of our lives that have been stolen in any way by the devil. (1 Corinthians 2:10-11)
Proverbs 20:27 The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord, searching all the inward parts of the belly.

And if you humble yourself before God and be honest with Him and yourself, you will find the stronghold of satan, of lucifer in your life. God will show you which area of your life has been occupied by the enemy.Then don't ignore it. Follow sweet Holy Spirit on how to proceed in Jesus Christ's Name.

Next be obedient concerning what the Holy Bible says about helping the poor and learn to reach out to them. They may become your guide to maneuver in the enemy's camp…this world to locate what was stolen.Just like David and his men. How did David find the Amalekites? They had been searching for many days for those who had taken their families and possessions until many of David's men became tired and had to rest. This was at the Brook Besor where they found in a field a sick Egyptian slave left behind by the Amalekites. They fed him and after he had eaten and refreshed, he led David to the hideout of the enemy. (1 Samuel 30:10-16)

(C) Give him a summons
Proverbs 6:31 But if he be found, he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give all the substance of his house.
Summons definition: A summons is a legal document issued by a court or by an administrative agency of government for various purposes: a written notification to be served on a person as a warning to appear in court at a day specified to answer to the plaintiff.

When you serve a summons to the devil, satan by requesting it in Heaven's Court or asking Jesus Christ (John 14:14), you asking the legal laws of Heaven Court found in Proverbs 6:31 be put into motion on your behalf concerning all the violations of your rights as a Child of God and the theft of your property. You can make the request or demand for the Sevenfold pay back to be instituted on your behalf. The sevenfold restitution is God's written law found in His Word. To restore what he has taken as Proverbs 6:31 tells us.

Summons is a legal term and a word of authority and once a summons is served to the thief, the Word of God says he must pay sevenfold. It is not the option of the thief to pay when he is summoned. He must pay back the seven fold from all the substance of his house, his storehouse. It is written in the Word of God so therefore it's non-negotiable for the thief, the enemy of our souls. This principle of non-negotiable payback is found in these verses. Exodus 22:1 & Leviticus

Exodus 22:1 If a man shall steal an ox, or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it; he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep.
This shows the law of restitution of fivefold for an ox or oxen and fourfold restitution or payback for sheep.

Leviticus 5:15-16
15 If a soul commit a trespass, and sin through ignorance, in the holy things of the Lord; then he shall bring for his trespass unto the Lord a ram without blemish out of the flocks, with thy estimation by shekels of silver, after the shekel of the sanctuary, for a trespass offering.
16 And he shall make amends for the harm that he hath done in the holy thing, and shall add the fifth part thereto, and give it unto the priest: and the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering, and it shall be forgiven him.

This verse shows a fivefold payback for a sin committed in ignorance. These above verses show the pattern of payback in the Holy Word of God.

When we get to the book of Proverbs in chapter 6:31 written by Solomon King David's son at this time payback is determined to be sevenfold as restitution or pay back for a thief when caught. That is seven times the things he has stolen. Solomon says that if he can't pay back this sevenfold restitution, then he has to "give all the substance of his house" (KJV) in order to satisfy the law of justice. In the OT, if he has no house even to pay back, then he has to be a slave to the person he has stolen from.

Here is an example of the principle of the sevenfold payback. A person steals one cell phone from the owner when caught, he will have to pay for seven cell phones. That is the literal meaning of the sevenfold payback.

Sevenfold payback is our right to serve a spiritual summons to the devil. This sevenfold payback is our full compensation, our full restoration from the devil and his kingdom because we belong to Jesus Christ and have accepted Him into our hearts. He is our Lord. It is not enough in the eyes of our Father God for the devil to restore only what he has stolen from us. He has to give us 'all the substance, the goods of his house.'

The substance and the goods of his house are all our treasures of stolen souls and inheritance of the saints. Many of us have stopped short at the one-fold blessing. As long as we get back what is ours we become content and appeased, forgetting that the devil, that satan rightfully owes us six-fold more.

One example would be the way David warred against his enemies. Psalms tell us that when David gained mastery over his enemies, he did not stop short at just apprehending them; he thrust his sword right through them, making sure they will never rise again. He spared no mercy to the enemy.

Psalms 18:37-42
37 I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them: neither did I turn again till they were consumed.
38 I have wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under my feet.
39 For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued under me those that rose up against me.
40 Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies; that I might destroy them that hate me.
41 They cried, but there was none to save them: even unto the Lord, but he answered them not.
42 Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did cast them out as the dirt in the streets.

We must not spare mercy to the thief and plunderer of our souls. Don't be content with one victory over the enemy. Vanquish him totally till he can't rise again with Jesus Christ's help. Here's another example from the Holy Bible: Moses and Pharaoh. For 400 years the enemy stole the liberty and identity of the children of Israel. Instead Of being in the land of promise, of Canaan they are now in a land of slavery. From being a God's chosen people to that of slaves of Egypt. The Egyptians oppressed them for 400 years but when God stepped in through Moses to deliver them God promised, "But every woman shall borrow of her neighbour, and of her that sojourneth in her house, jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put them upon your sons, and upon your daughters; and ye shall spoil the Egyptians." (Exodus 3:22)

Moses had to summon Pharaoh "to let my people go," which after many plagues he finally did. Keep summoning the devil. Moses summoned Pharaoh ten times before he released the children of Israel. Be prepared that the devil will come and negotiate with you for a partial release. Look at Pharaoh on how he proposed the partial release of God's people to Moses. Before God sent the locust plague, he asked Moses who would go to the wilderness in Exodus 10:9-10 (See below)

9 And Moses said, We will go with our young and with our old, with our sons and with our daughters, with our flocks and with our herds will we go; for we must hold a feast unto the Lord.
10 And he said unto them, Let the Lord be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it; for evil is before you.

Pharaoh was only willing to let the men go and Moses rejected this deal and then locust plague came. After the plague of 3 days of darkness Pharaoh tried to negotiate another deal to let everyone go except the flocks. Again Moses refused and the plague of darkness came. (Exodus 10:21-27)

When the devil comes to offer you partial payback, refuse it and be firm on your sevenfold payback in Jesus Christ's Name. Finally, we see Pharaoh paying back the liberty and the identity (he let them go so they can go and worship their God in the wilderness) but that is not sevenfold payback. That is what he had stolen from them originally. (Exodus 12:29-33) He is paying them back for what he has stolen. But the compensation in the form of jewelry and clothing is the payback above and beyond what they have stolen is what would be referred to as a sevenfold payback or restitution. The compensation was so substantial that the Word of God says in

Exodus 12:35-36
35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses; and they borrowed of the Egyptians jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: 36 And the Lord gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians.

They spoiled (bankrupt/wreck) the Egyptians. Historians say that after the exodus of the children of Israel, the Egyptian kingdom was never the same. It was weakened by that despoiling.

The same principle applies to our lives. For so many years, we have been oppressed by the devil in many areas of our lives. We groan and cry under our heavy burdens. Now is the time to arise and give summons to the devil in Jesus Christ's Name to let you go and demand your sevenfold payback, your restitution for what he has been stealing from you. Proverbs 6:31 also applies the sevenfold payback to our human enemies.

When you think about it, we Christians do such strange things. Before we were saved, many of us were very superstitious and believed greatly in the existence of the spirit world of ghosts and the supernatural. But once we accepted Jesus Christ into our hearts as our Lord, many over time have become more "logical and rational" as we conveniently deleted Satan, lucifer, demons and such like from our lives as if they're non-existent. The whole kingdom of darkness is just a figment of biblical imagination, outdated and irrelevant for our 21st highly electronic and technological world.

This is the deception and trickery of the devil, the kingdom of darkness.
It is this ignorance, the lack of knowledge of the enemy and his devices that causes our lives to be continually freely attacked with little resistance as the enemy steals, kills, and destroys our lives until many are at the point of living in spiritual shambles. (Hosea 4:6) It's time to wake up church! Brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ wake up to this truth that we are not just human beings of flesh, but also spiritual beings with a soul. We are not fighting against flesh and blood but against principalities and dark forces in the air and we can only do this and be victorious through the Name and power of Jesus Christ who is invincible and all-powerful.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5
3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
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;

Ephesians 6:10-18
10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.
11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;
15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;
16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.
17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:
18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Now go catch the thief in Jesus Christ Name and claim restoration for what's rightfully yours as His child.

Job 29:17 And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.

Psalms 35:10 All my bones shall say, Lord, who is like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?

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When we accept Jesus Christ's gift of Salvation as our Lord we then have the mind of Christ. We are reconnected to Father God through Jesus Christ our bridge. Sin Separates Us from Father God.

Isaiah 59:1-4
1 Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear:
2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.
3 For your hands are defiled with blood, and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue hath muttered perverseness.
4 None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.

1 Peter 3:18 For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit:

Jesus Christ is our mediator. (1 Timothy 2:5 For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus;) Once we accept Him into our hearts as Lord, our thoughts then change causing our actions to change. The brain is made up of a spirit mind that controls man's instincts to survive like animals have but the other half is our soul's mind. This is where our God given intellect is located and where we make choices and decisions. This is the part of us that has been reconnected to Father God. The soul is connected to our spirit.

In other words we are a spirit being that's held in a body of flesh. Our spirit is connected to the flesh by our heart which is connected to our mind. Both the spirit mind and soul's mind. When we accept Jesus Christ salvation because our first line of defense by giving us the mind of Christ. This is our helmet of salvation.

1 Corinthians 2:16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? But we have the mind of Christ.

The battle has always been in man's mind as the enemy tries to manipulate our choices, keep us from Jesus Christ and Father God and to cause us to make known or hidden agreements that allow the enemy access to our lives.

The helmet of salvation of the Armor of God is given to us out of God's grace. This means because we have it we are given time to repent if we sin and also to cast down and take captivity all the thoughts the enemy throws at us through Jesus Christ. In every attack there is an evil foul spirit behind it. Cast down all thoughts from the enemy and bind the demons, taking them captive and cast them in the abyss in Jesus Christ's Name. James 4:7 tells us to resist the devil but this also requires us to draw nigh (close, near) to God and He will draw nigh to us. We do this in the spirit realm and that's when the rest of the Armor of God comes into play.

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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;

The Armor of God is our protection yes but from what?

Ephesians 6:11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

The wiles: In the Holy Bible wiles are characterized by their cunning and deceptive nature, often involving subtle manipulations or tricks to achieve a desired outcome from the kingdom of darkness. It can also be called their deceptive strategies and attempts to attack and undermine the spiritual lives of believers.

The Greek word for "wiles" in the New Testament is Strong's G3180 "methodia", which can be translated as "craft, deceit, or scheming". A "way of searching after something, an inquiry; a method of scheming, craftiness".

So the Armor of God actually protects us from these spiritual wiles and schemes and such like that can carry over into the physical world if not resisted in Jesus Christ's Name. But it is God Himself that is our full protection.

Job 1:9-10
9 Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?
10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land.
We have to keep our minds clean, resist the devil's attacks that always start in the mind first. It's when you don't cast the vain imaginations and suggestive thoughts from the enemy down and take them captive as we are told to do, that we are led into sin by our own decision by not rejecting the enemy's attack. Which can also lead into lust of something which causes sin. To be conceived in our minds and hearts.

James 1:12-15
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.
13 Let no man say when he is tempted, I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither tempteth he any man:
14 But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.
15 Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death.

Another note: Your shield of faith does increase in its size because our faith is made to increase in Him.

Luke 17:5 And the apostles said unto the Lord, Increase our faith.

2 Corinthians 10:15 Not boasting of things without our measure, that is, of other men's labours; but having hope, when your faith is increased, that we shall be enlarged by you according to our rule abundantly,

Jude 20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

Please try, test and discern this in Jesus Christ’s Name.

How long is the Tribulation According to the Word of God?
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FOR THE GLORY OF FATHER GOD & JESUS CHRIST

You are called to try, test and discern this in the mighty Name of Jesus Christ.

The tribulation is the time when the Great Day of the Lord is and His wrath is poured out on the ungodly. (Revelation 6:16-17) It is written to be seventy weeks or a seven-year period according to the Word of God. It's understood to be this by events that have in the past history fulfilled prophecies found within Daniel. It's the time given when God will finish His discipline of Israel drawing them back to Him and they finally accept His Son Jesus Christ as their long awaited Messiah. It's to finalize His judgment of the unbelieving world in which the end result is the removal of sin and darkness but also to establish His kingdom. The second half is called the great tribulation. We know this occurs after the abomination of desolation Jesus Christ spoke about and I will give verses that show this. There is no exact phrase saying the Tribulation is a 7 year period, nor does the Word call the man of sin, the antichrist. I will address all this with Holy Ghost Spirit's help in Jesus Christ's Name. Let it be known though these exact wordings do not to be written, but the understanding is there. It is called applied knowledge and is the result you receive when you begin studying together all the related passages. Scripture does not have to state a doctrine in one modern phrase for that doctrine, that truth in the Word of God, but can be established by comparing Scripture with Scripture.Let's begin.

Daniel 9:24-27
24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

These above verses actually reveal the reasons, the purpose for the tribulation. God's purpose is 'to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to make reconciliation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy,' as priorly mentioned.

The Allotted Time of the Tribulation

In verse 24, The Angel Gabriel says, “Seventy ‘weeks (7 days are in 1 week) are decreed for your people and your holy city.” Almost all commentators agree that this should be understood as seventy weeks of years, in other words, a period of 490 years. (Some translations refer to 70 ‘sevens’ of years.) (Please note the only place I have found that mentions 7 months in the Holy Bible is in Ezekiel 39:11-13 where this allotted time is spent burying the dead from the Gog/Magog war. So the 70 weeks doesn’t refer to months) But Historical recorded events back this up by fulfilling the prophecies in Daniel and found in other places in the Word of God which should always override man’s assumptions and teachings.

In Daniel 9:25 and 26, the Messiah will be cut off after ‘shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks:’ (Or seven sevens and sixty-two sevens’ which is 69 total sevens), beginning with the decree to rebuild Jerusalem. In other words, 69 sevens (483 years) after the decree to rebuild is issued, the Messiah will die. Biblical historians confirm that 483 years passed from the time of the decree to rebuild Jerusalem to the time when Jesus Christ was crucified. I will provide more on the calculations shortly.

Let’s continue. So, Daniel 9:25 accounts for 69 of those weeks, and Daniel 9:27 speaks of the remaining ‘one week,’ which in the Scripture is divided in the middle, at its midpoint. “And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: ***and in the midst of the week*** he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease.” Revelation also repeatedly gives us 42 months, 1,260 days, and ‘a time, and times, and half a time’ (Revelation. 11:2–3; 12:6;14; 13:5), that corresponds to 3 1⁄2 years total. Please note too for those who say there isn’t an actual man who is the antichrist because he isn’t called that.

Antichrist simply means in the archaic meaning: Old English Antecrist, via Old French or ecclesiastical Latin from Greek antikhristos, from anti ‘against’ + Khristos (Christ).

So antichrist simply means…one who is against Christ. This is why the man of sin, the son of perdition, the prince of the people (Daniel 9:26; 2 Thessalonians 1-10) is called ‘the antichrist.’ Also, it is people, demons, fallen angels…the evil ones who get thrown into the Lake of Fire, not objects, governments and such like. Therefore there is definitely a man who is the beast and is ‘the’ antichrist by definition who will rule the world during the Tribulation who gets thrown alive into the Lake of Fire…. Just sayin…after all it is written in the Word of God.

Revelation 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

One such verse that also shows the prince of the people is an antichrist is Daniel 7:25. Since he is the one leading the world into denying God and worshipping him, he would be considered ‘the main antichrist’ of the world, or simply ‘the antichrist,’ it seems it would be.

Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Jesus Christ Himself connects Daniel's 'abomination of desolation' in chapter 9, verse 27 with the coming 'great tribulation' and specifically places the "great tribulation" after the abomination of desolation. So Daniel and Revelation should not be isolated from one another.

Matthew 24:15-21
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:)
16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!
20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

The Word of God will speak for itself, but that means reading all of the relevant Scripture together, not demanding one verse containing our exact wording or theological terminology. Relevant Scripture in this situation like: Daniel 7:25; 9:24–27; Matthew 24:15–21; Revelation 11:2–3; 12:6; 14; 13:5.

Now concerning further the 'seventy weeks' prophecy. It goes on to divide the 490 years into three smaller units: one of 49 years, one of 434 years, and one 7 years. The final 'week' of 7 years is further divided in half. Verse 25 says, "Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.'" Seven "weeks" is 49 years, and sixty-two "sevens" is another 434 years:

49 years + 434 years = 483 years

God's Holy Word said that 70 weeks had been determined (490 years), but, with the death of the Messiah, which we know refers to Christ Jesus, we only have 69 weeks accounted for (483 years). This leaves one seven-year period to fulfill all that was written in Daniel 12:1. This makes it pretty clear that the tribulation is for a seven-year period in the end times. In addition this has been determined to be a 7 year period remaining for the Tribulation according to Daniel chapter 9 by prophecies written in the Word of God that have been fulfilled as they would be since Scripture, the Word of God cannot be broken Jesus Christ said Himself and it is also called the Scripture of Truth.

John 10:35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

Daniel 10:21 But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

The Tribulation will be a time of such evilness in which mankind's debauchery and depravity will reach its fullness, with Father God and Jesus Christ judging accordingly with holy wrath being distributed as written in the Word of God.. Also during this time, Israel will repent of their sin and receive Jesus Christ as their Messiah, setting up a time of great blessing and restoration (Zephaniah 3:9–20; Isaiah chapters 12 & 35) with Jesus Christ's eternal kingdom being established. (2 Peter 1:11; Revelation 11:15)

More on Calculating the Years Between Temple Rebuilding and Jesus Christ's Crucifixion

According to the Daniel 9:25–27 "70 weeks" prophecy, the period from the decree to rebuild Jerusalem to the crucifixion of the Messiah is 69 weeks (483 years)
Key dates in the timeline

- 445 BC – Decree to rebuild Jerusalem (Artaxerxes' decree to Nehemiah) (Nehemiah 2:1-8)
- 445 BC – 396 BC – First 7 weeks (49 years) for rebuilding Jerusalem
- 396 BC – AD 32 – Next 62 weeks (434 years), ending around the time of Jesus Christ's ministry and crucifixion.
- AD 30–33 – Crucifixion of Jesus Christ (the 'Messiah' in the prophecy Daniel 9:26)

Calculation

- 69 weeks × 7 years/week = 483 years from the decree to the crucifixion
- This means the crucifixion occurred 483 years after the decree to rebuild Jerusalem.

Important Note:
The decree that specifically ordered the rebuilding of the city of Jerusalem …including its walls and streets …came from Artaxerxes I in 445 BC (or 444 BC in some calculations). This is recorded in Nehemiah 2:1–8, when Nehemiah was sent to Jerusalem to restore its defenses. This decree is the one that fulfilled the prophetic description in Daniel 9:25 of 'the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublesome times.'

Another Important note
Some interpretations focus on the first 7 weeks (49 years) as the time for the actual rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls and city, while the remaining 62 weeks (434 years) cover the prophetic period leading to the Messiah's arrival (Biblical Hermeneutics Stack Exchange.) In either case, the total from the decree to the crucifixion is 483 years.

More on 'the people's prince, the antichrist, the man of sin'

Some have tried to say that the prince of the people in Daniel 9:26-27 is still referring to Jesus Christ the Messiah because it mentions a covenant. To back this belief up they pull this one Scripture Malachi 3:1 in which it refers to the messenger of the covenant. By reading the other related verses in Malachi with Malachi 3:1 we can easily determine these verses are in fact referring to Jesus Christ and the covenant of grace made possible by His sacrifice and shed blood.

Malachi 3:1-4

[1] Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts.
[2] But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:
[3] And he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.
[4] Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Lord, as in the days of old, and as in former years.

By identifying the 'he' in Daniel 9:27 as Christ, as the Messiah by using or quoting Malachi 3:1 doesn't establish that identification of the person being written about. Malachi 3:1 clearly identifies and names the Lord 'the messenger of the covenant,' but Daniel 9:27 says, "he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week," referring to the prince of the people in Daniel 9:26. This does not automatically mean they are one and the same person or even necessarily it's referring to the same covenant simply because both passages contain the word covenant inside them. You cannot take one verse alone and gain a clear understanding of the Holy Word of God. When seeking for the truth inside any passage of Scripture, we should always ask the sweet Holy Ghost Spirit in Jesus Christ's Name to teach and lead us to its true meaning as John 14:26 & 1 John 2:27 says He will do.

To gain further understanding in this situation, it's necessary to establish the happenings related before this part of who 'he' is from Daniel's own context, since he is the one speaking of it. Looking back to Daniel 9:26, it says, "...and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary...". Next, the following verse Daniel 9:27 continues speaking of him. "And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease...".

The question here would be, 'Who is Daniel talking about in Daniel 9:26–27? It certainly does not describe the prophecies about Jesus Christ the Messiah. In addition there is another notable error, or difficulty you could say in this use of this verse used to connect the Messiah, the messenger of the covenant as the 'he' in these verses. That is this part of Daniel 9:27 which reads, "...and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate...". Jesus Chirst, Himself refers us back to concerning the abominations he shall make desolate.

Matthew 24:15
[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:)

It's easy to see that Jesus Christ when speaking this verse in the Scripture was not speaking of Himself. Again, this is why it is so vital to pull and gather all the verses together on a subject to gain a clear understanding of what is being said with the Holy Spirit's help. Then always try, test and discern the result and answers you have received in Jesus Christ's Name. (1 John 4:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:21; 1 Corinthians 12:3)

Another passage of Scripture that supports the 'he' in Daniel 9:26-27 isn't Jesus Christ, the Messiah, the 'messenger of the covenant,' was written by Paul in 2 Thessalonians 2:1-10. In verses 3-4 of 2 Thessalonians chapter 2, the Word of God says this:

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4
[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;**
[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.

So Malachi 3:1 certainly teaches that the Lord is 'the messenger of the covenant, but it hasn't demonstrated or proven that Malachi 3:1's 'messenger of the covenant' must therefore be the 'he' of Daniel 9:27 which is the very point that needed to be proven from the verses provided in the HolyWord of God. It should not be assumed from the shared word 'covenant,' they are one and the same. Daniel 9 needs to be interpreted in its context as well as Malachi 3:1 by gathering all that pertains to them inside the Word of God.

2 Timothy 2:14-16
[14] Of these things put them in remembrance, **charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers.**
[15] Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
[16] But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

1 John 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

Related to the Messiah being cut off:
Isaiah 53:8-9

Related to the Destruction of Jerusalem and its temple.
Matthew 24:1-2
[1] And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.
[2] And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

Daniel 9:26 found in above content.

Related to Desolation, the great tribulation being the last 42 months or 31/2 years

Luke 21:21-24
[20] And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.
[21] Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.
[22] For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.
[23] But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for there shall be great distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.
[24] And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Revelation 11:2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; f**or it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.**

Revelation 13:5-7
[5] And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given **unto him to continue forty and two months.**
[6] And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, **and his tabernacle,** and them that dwell in heaven.
[7] And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

Matthew 24:15-21 & Daniel 9:27 found in above content.

A little additional information
For those of you who say the Holy Bible isn't the Word of God because it's called the Bible or Holy Bible, wisdom would be to pray and seek the truth from Jesus Christ and Father God then research it. For those who will refuse to do even that, let me help you and I say this in the love of Jesus Christ in faith that it will bring you more clarity and understanding of the true meaning.

From Oxford languages the word 'Bible': Middle English: via Old French from ecclesiastical Latin biblia, from Greek (ta) biblia '(the) books', from biblion 'book', originally a diminutive of biblos 'papyrus, scroll', of Semitic origin.

So it means books…Holy Bible means Holy Books…a description of what is contained inside of the cover which is the holy Books of the Word of God given in love to mankind. Just sayin'.

Jesus Christ Coming with His Saints/144,000, They will Judge & Execute Vengeance Also Verses 8-21-26

1 Corinthians 6:2-3
2 Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?
3 Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?

Psalms 149:4-9
4 For the Lord taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.
5 Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.
6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand;
7 To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people;
8 To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;
9 To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the Lord.

Jude 14-15
14 And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,
15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

Malachi 4:1-3
2 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.
2 But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.
3 And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the Lord of hosts.

1 Thessalonians 3:13 To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.

Joel 2:1-11
1 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand;
2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.
3 A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.
4 The appearance of them is as the appearance of horses; and as horsemen, so shall they run.
5 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set in battle array.

[6] Before their face the people shall be much pained: all faces shall gather blackness.
[7] They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and they shall not break their ranks:
[8] Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path: and when they fall upon the sword, they shall not be wounded.
[9] They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.
[10] The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:
[11]-**<u>And the Lord shall utter his voice before his army:</u>** for his camp is very great: for he is strong that executeth his word: for the day of the Lord is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

Habakkuk 3:8-16
[8] Was the Lord displeased against the rivers? was thine anger against the rivers? was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses and thy chariots of salvation?
[9] Thy bow was made quite naked, according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word. Selah. Thou didst cleave the earth with rivers.
[10] The mountains saw thee, and they trembled: the overflowing of the water passed by: the deep uttered his voice, and lifted up his hands on high.
[11] The sun and moon stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, and at the shining of thy glittering spear.
[12] Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in anger.
[13] Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people, even for salvation with thine anointed; thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah.
[14] Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing was as to devour the poor secretly.
[15] Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the heap of great waters.
[16] When I heard, my belly trembled; my lips quivered at the voice: rottenness entered into my bones, and I trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them with his troops.

Zechariah 14:5 And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.

Deuteronomy 33:2 And he said, The LORD came from Sinai, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand went a fiery law for them.

Revelation 19:11-16
[11] And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.
[12] His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

[13] And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.
[14] And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.
[15] And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.
[16] And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, King Of Kings, And Lord Of Lords.

Daniel 7:22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

Obadiah 21 And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

Revelation 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Jesus Christ Has All Power Over the Earth and Heaven 4-28-26
Vicki Goforth Parnell

FOR THE GLORY OF FATHER GOD & JESUS CHRIST!

We read in the Holy Word of God in the book of John that one of the descriptions given to the devil is the prince of this world in the KJV translations. In others it calls him the ruler of this world.

John 14:30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

What is this verse saying? Jesus Christ is speaking and identifies the devil, lucifer at this time is the prince or ruler, the one who has authority over the world but…..'Hath nothing in me,' spoken by Jesus Christ really means, 'has no power or authority over me.'

The important fact that most tend to overlook is this description was given to the devil BEFORE Jesus Christ was crucified and rose from the dead in great power by which He defeated the whole kingdom of darkness. He became the One in 100% control. The ruler over all as Colossians 2:15 tells us.

Colossians 2:15 And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

Now next look at another verse wherein the devil was given a title of power that is greatly misunderstood at times. This is found in Ephesians 2:2 in a letter from Paul to the Ephesians. This was after Jesus Christ had risen from the dead and conquered the kingdom of darkness.

Ephesians 2:2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

First point; Paul is reminding the Ephesians that they once walked like the world…in sin according to the prince of the power of the air. Let's examine 'the prince of the power of the air,' closer. Again prince refers to the ruler or one who has authority. So the prince is the ruler ….of what? The power of the air. What is that power found in the air?

Air is Strong's G109 *aēr*
Strong's definition: (to breathe unconsciously, i.e. respire; by analogy, to blow); "air" (as naturally circumambient):—air. So the air that surrounds us.
(***Note: circumambient means around, to surround.)

Thayer Greek Lexicon says this: **the air** (particularly the lower and denser, as distinguished from the higher and rarer. In Ephesians 2:2 signifies 'the ruler of the powers (spirits, see **ἐξουσία** 4 c. **ββ**.) in the air,' i. e. the devil, the prince of the demons that according to Jewish opinion fill the realm of air.

My understanding through this information and studying the Word of God with prayer is that the power of the air in this verse refers to the demon and evil spirits that operate inside it. Lucifer rules over them. He is the ruling power, the authority over the evil spirits in the air. Demons in particular and demons are only one of the powers that travel through the air. There are also the fallen angels and people that astral travel with their spirit through the air. Ephesian 6:12 in the list of spiritual things that's listed we fight tells us there are powers…more than one type of the enemy.

Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against **powers**, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

So again this doesn't mean he is the ruling power over the atmosphere, the air itself, but the evil spirits from his kingdom that travel through the air, the atmosphere. Jesus Christ has all power. There's nothing He is not King over including the air. So you lose again lu lu.

1 Peter 3:22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and **powers** being made subject unto him.

Since lu lu, lucifer was defeated he no longer holds this position as prince or ruler over the world, nor does he rule the air. It's trickery and deception through misunderstanding and not studying the Word of God as we are instructed to do in 2 Timothy 2:15 that makes people believe he still has this kind of power, when it's clear in the Word of God, he doesn't! Jesus Christ rules it all. Everything in Heaven and Earth when, by conquering the whole kingdom of darkness alone by His death and resurrection. All this was done for His beloved children and those to come. Lu lu's kingdom is conquered and defeated with all power given to Jesus Christ as Matthew 28:10 tells us when Jesus Christ Himself tells the disciples and for us the future generation of believers who read and follow His holy commands.

Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, **All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.**

In addition when Jesus Christ called lu lu the devil the "prince of the world" in John 14:30, He had already made it publicly known that His hour had come. The hour in which He had come to the earth for…His death & resurrection to redeem the world with the end result of the prince of the world being cast out. Cast out of what? Not out of the air, the demon activity is still occurring and is now more evident than before. Not out of the earth because he's still trying to kill, still and destroy the children of God like the thief and liar he is. (John 8:44; 10:10) He was cast out of his position as ruler…as the prince…the one who had ruling authority in the world, which rightfully belongs and does belong to our Lord Jesus Christ's

John 12:27-31
[27] Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour.
[28] Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again.

[29] The people therefore, that stood by, and heard it, said that it thundered: others said, An angel spake to him.
[30] Jesus answered and said, This voice came not because of me, but for your sakes.
[31] Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.

Related verses on His authority

Hebrews 1:1-3
1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,
2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by **his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds;**
3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:

Colossians 1:12-18
[12] Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:
[13] Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:
[14] In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:
[15] Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:
[16] For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:
[17] And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.
[18] And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.
[19] For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;
[20] And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

What powers is Jesus Christ over? All. Here are a few verses the Holy Word of God about the enemy. Remember we have this same power also over the enemy through Jesus Christ living in us for those who can call Him our Lord without deception. Luke 10:19

1 Peter 3:22 Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and **powers** being made subject unto him.

Romans 8:38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Colossians 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

Romans 16:20 And the God of peace shall crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Knowing the Word of God and Being Led by the Holy Spirit.

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You can have the Word of God and know the Word of God. Even the religious, the unsaved, and the enemy can also. But this doesn't make you a true Child of God. Only those who have accepted Jesus Christ into their hearts and call Him Lord are truly His. When Jesus Christ comes into your heart so does His Holy Spirit live inside you too.

***Some examples where the Word is known by others who aren't God's.

Jesus Christ tempted by the devil: Matthew 4:1-11; Luke 4:1-13
Scribes and the Pharisees: Matthew 23; Luke 7:30

***I will address the issue of Christians feeling "led" to do something with a scriptural defense and why they should always be led by the Holy Spirit in all things. He will only lead you to all truth.

John 16:13-14

[13] Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

[14] He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

*****If you're feeling "led" to do something you need to test, try, and discern as the Word of God says to do and ensure if this is what Father God and Jesus Christ wants you to do. The problem is that we hardly ever know enough of the behind-the-scenes activity to make either a correct rational, or biblical-based, decision. And we don't need to know. God knows.

Verses about trying, to test, prove, and discern all things:
1 John 4:1; 1 Thessalonians 5:21; Job 12:11; Romans 12:2; Philippians 1:9; Acts 17:11

*****Still everything must line up with the Holy Word of God. Here is what it says about being led or walking by the Spirit.

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

Galatians 5:16-18; 22-26

[16]This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

[17] For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

[18]But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

[22]But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

[23] Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

[24] And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

[25] If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

[26]Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

1 Corinthians 2:11-13

[11] For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

[12] Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

[13]Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

***Jesus Christ is our example (1 Peter 2:21) of how we are to live a holy and pleasing life to Father God and to one day make Heaven our home. Jesus Christ Himself was led into the wilderness by the Spirit, the Holy Spirit when He was tempted by the devil.

Matthew 4:1 Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.

***Another example was Philip.

Acts 8:[29]Then the Spirit said unto Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.

Jesus Christ was led by the Holy Ghost Spirit.

Luke 4:1 And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

***The Holy Spirit is the power of God that comes inside us so we can do all we are called to do in Jesus Christ's Name in addition to having the power of the Word of God.

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

Romans 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

***Not only do you have to be led by His sweet Holy Spirit you also need to know the Word of God. It takes both because the Holy Spirit will lead you to the truth of the Word of God

revealing and giving understating of its truth. Remember Jesus Christ is the Word made into flesh. (John 1:1; 14) Here are a few things concerning the Word of God.

***Write the Word on our hearts and teach it to our children.
Deuteronomy 111:8-20

[18]Therefore shall ye lay up these my words in your heart and in your soul, and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes.

[19] And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.

[20] And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates:

***Study it for understanding

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

***The Word will guide our path lighting our way in a dark world.

Psalms 119:104-105

[104] Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false

way. [105] Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

The Word of God is a faith builder.

Romans 10:[17] So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

***It's given to us for everything we need.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

[16] All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

[17]That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

***It's part of our Holy Armor

Ephesians 6:10-18

[10] Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. [11] Put on the

whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

[12] For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

[13]Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
[14] Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

[15] And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

[16] Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

[17] And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

[18] Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

***Jesus Christ the Word made into flesh

John 1:1; 14

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

14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

***What does this all mean? It means we have to be led by and walk in the Holy Spirit in the knowledge of the Word of God in our lives everyday. He will guide us and teach us. Give us divine understanding by submitting to Him as our teacher. He will teach us to all truth including all about Jesus Christ who is truth itself. (John 14:6; 26; 16:13; 1 John 2:27) He's our Comforter and will lead us how to pray and also intercedes for us. Again if we allow sweet Holy Spirit to lead us.

Romans 8:26-27

[26]Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

[27] And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

***It takes Jesus Christ in our hearts working in unity with the Holy Spirit and the Spirit operates in the power of God for us to be all we are called to be in Jesus Christ. We see the

evidence of the power of God working through the sweet Holy Spirit in the miracles and wonders done by Jesus Christ once he was baptized by the Spirit. As well as the evidence in the disciples and apostles. (Matthew 12:28; Acts 2:43; 3:1-7; 9:39-41)

***So each of us who calls Jesus Christ our Lord (without deception) can operate in the fullness of God. In the power of the Godhead that rested inside Jesus Christ but we need to study and understand the Word of God and be led by the Spirit working together as one. You need both because both are truth.
Colossians 2:9-10
[9] For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily.
[10] And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power: Colossians 1:19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;
1 John 5:7-8
[7] For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.
[8] And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

***Verses about Holy Spirit, Father God, and Jesus Christ living inside us. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20
[19]What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?

[20] For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

1 John 4:[12] No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

Galatians 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.

***We need both the Spirit and Word of God to try, test, prove and discern all things. Before you act or react to something even if there appears to be Biblical reasons and justification in which you could proceed, stop and ask sweet Holy Spirit. Pray about it in Jesus Christ's Name. You need to seek the Holy Spirit's leading (He's the Spirit of Truth) always to aid in discerning and seeking in Jesus Christ's Name how to proceed in everything and situation. Again because He knows the whole situation and we have only one or two pieces.

Please pray about this, try, test it in Jesus Christ's Name.

Persecution Has Come! What are We to Expect? 12-19-23 @ 7:27AM
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2 Timothy 3:12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

Matthew 10:24 The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.

WHAT TO EXPECT!
1. You will be hated by the world because they hated Jesus Christ. John 5:18; Matthew 5:44; Luke 6:22; 1 John 3:13
2. The religious leaders and communities shall turn on you because they turned on Jesus Christ. Matthew 10: 18-20; Mark 15: 6-15; Matthew 27: 11-26
3. The world will tell lies upon you just as they did Jesus Christ.
Matthew 5: 11; 10: 25: Mark 3: 22 (Another example: Potiphar's wife and Joseph Genesis 39)
4. The people will deny the power of Jesus Christ and he in you just as they denied this power while he was in human flesh and even after he has been glorified.
Luke 12:9; 23: 2; Titus 1: 16; Exodus 5: 2; 2 Timothy 2:12; 3: 5; 2 Peter 3: 3-4; Matthew 10: 33
5. Friends will abandon you just as the disciples abandoned Jesus Christ in the garden when the soldiers came for him.
Matthew 26: 56 (Another example Paul in Rome too by Demas 2 Timothy 4:10)
6. You will have to learn to pray earnestly, even agonizing in your prayer battles to endure what you are to face as Jesus Christ did in the garden of Gethsemane.
Matthew 26: 36-46; Mark 14: 32-42; Luke 22: 40-46
7. Those who profess to love you shall betray you just as Peter, other and Judas Iscariot did Jesus Christ, but Judas sealed his betrayal with a kiss.
Matthew 10: 21; 35-37; 26: 48-49; 69-75; John 18: 15-17; 25-27; Psalms 41:9; 55:12-14
8. The enemy shall move against you in the shadows, at night so they can accuse you in the hours of light, of day. Just as they did Jesus Christ when they came for him in the night hours then accused him in the morning hours that followed.
John 18: 13; 28; Matthew 26: 45; 27: 1-2
9. Mobs shall be incited against you just as the mobs were against Jesus Christ as well and some others of his children found written in the Word of God.
Matthew 26: 45; John 18: 3; Luke 4:28-30; Acts 17:5-6
10. For the love of money, you will be sold out, betrayed Jesus was betrayed by Judas Iscariot for 30 pieces of silver.
1 Timothy 6:10; Matthew 27: 3-5; 26: 14-16 (Another example: Samson by Delilah Judges 16: 18)
11. You shall be arrested unjustly, just as Jesus Christ was. John 18: 12; Matthew 10: 17-18; 26: 47
12. You shall have false evidence created against you just as they did Jesus Christ when he stood before Caiaphas the high priest and Annas.
1 Peter 3: 16; Matthew 26: 59-62; John 18: 13; 24
13. You shall have a mockery for a trial, some more than one as they did Jesus Christ. If you are allowed to even have a trial.

Matthew 26: 57; 27: 11; John 19: 2-3
14. You shall be beaten and tortured even before you were found guilty and after just as Jesus Christ was.
Matthew 26: 67; John 19: 1-3; Mark 15: 16-20; Isaiah 50: 6; 52: 14
15. To serve Jesus Christ you will be made to walk a hard road and endure much hardship and distress, just as Jesus Christ did when he walked the road to Calvary's hill, to Golgotha.
John 19: 17; Matthew 8:20; 10: 38-40; Mark 15: 21-22; Luke 9: 57-62; Isaiah 53: 1-12
(Examples of others' hard walks: Hebrews 11:35-40)
16. You will be murdered, some of you just as they tried to take Jesus Christ's life only, he was in control and gave his freely.
2 Corinthians 4:11-12; John 19:17; Revelation 6:9-10; 20:4-5
17. You will be mocked as Jesus Christ was.
Matthew 20:19; 27: 27-31; 2 Peter 3:3-7; Proverbs 14:9; Mark 15: 20; 31; Luke 23:11 (Examples: of mocking Genesis 19:14; 21:9; 2 Chronicles 36:16; Acts 17:32)

This is what many of us as true believers of Jesus Christ can expect in our walk of faith in the coming days that lay ahead until we see Jesus Christ return in His glorious appearing when He comes for His children, His bride who is ready in Him. No man knows the day or the hour when He will return. Until that time, we must endure the good fight of faith through Jesus Christ, in His name, by His strength and through His Blood that covers us. (James 1:2-4; 1 Timothy 6:12; 2 Corinthians 12:10)

The only difference between the children of God suffering and that which Jesus Christ suffered is that we do not have to go through it alone. He will be with us through it all. Never leaving us nor forsaking us and having endured all that he did for us he knows exactly what it takes to comfort, encourage, and strengthen each one of us every step of the way. Because Jesus Christ is faithful and will always be even unto the end of all things. (Deuteronomy 7:9; Matthew 28:20)

Even in all this we are to take joy in our suffering and persecution, that we have been found worthy to suffer in his name. But we can still have joy, peace, and love beyond all measure that the world cannot understand because it's found in Jesus Christ alone. He is that perfect peace that is beyond mere man's comprehension. He is that strength that will keep us going when we ourselves have no strength left. He is that joy when all around it looks like hope has failed. And he is Balm of Gilead when our pain is the deepest. (1 Peter 4:13; 2 Corinthians 12:9-10; Romans 5:3-5; Philippians 4:7)

Proverbs 24:10 says this, "If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small." This means if your strength is failing even now before all these things truly begin to transpire against us, the children of God then your strength is small, because you're trying to trust in your own strength and not the strength of Jesus Christ.

Jeremiah 12:5 says this, "If thou hast run with the footmen and they have wearied thee, then how canst thou contend with horses? And if in the land of peace or in thou trusted they wearied thee, and how wilt thou do in the

swelling of Jordan?" This is asking you if you are weary now with all that you're facing during times of peace in what you're facing now, how are you going to stand when the real heavy persecution begins and/or physical war?

We are to be content in whatever state we find ourselves in. Whether it be war, or peace. Whether we be in prison or free because we must trust his plans regardless. When we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior then we're enlisted in his army. We are called to serve. We are called to reach the lost and that might mean being in prison to do so. That will mean refusing to deny Jesus Christ and possibly losing our life for it. But it may also be that by our firm example through Jesus Christ someone else may have the power to stand and not deny Jesus Christ when their time comes to endure such persecution. (Philippians 4:11-13; 1 Peter 3:14-18; 4:12-16; Acts 1:8; Matthew 28:19-20)

We are in tribulation days, but the great time of tribulation is upon us. We know Jesus Christ is coming back but until his bride is ready in his eyes and by his holy standards, we will all have to endure more persecution, trials, and tribulations and this is allowed to purify us, purge us, mold us and get us prepared. Again, no man knows the exact day or hour when Jesus Christ will come. (1 Peter 5:10; Matthew 24; Mark 13:32)

Some of us have had dreams and visions of Jesus returning before war begins in America. For me it has always been before the weapons are dropped from the skies upon our land, but what must we endure before this? War can officially begin by America declaring war on other nations and/or their people, or acts of aggression and war by attacks our nation receives on our own territories and lands like Guam, Hawaii for example, with the weapons dropping directly upon us at a later time. Why am I saying all of this, so we understand that we cannot trust in our own hopes. Our hope alone must be in Jesus Christ and him alone. This is not to discourage you but to encourage you because Jesus Christ has warned from the start to prepare us. Now those with eyes to see and ears to hear can see and know more than ever persecution, trials, and tribulations spoken of for the end time days of tribulation are here.

<u>Let us be encouraged by God's Holy Word:</u>

1 Corinthians 10:13 says, "There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that you are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that you may be able to bear it."

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

Isaiah 41:10-13
[10]Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.
[11]Behold, all they that were incensed against thee shall be ashamed and confounded: they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.
[12]Thou shalt seek them, and shalt not find them, even them that contended with thee: they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.
[13]For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

Psalms 34:19 Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him out of them all.

Psalms 34:27: The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants: and none of them that trust in him shall be desolate.

Isaiah 59: 19 So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him.

Psalms 144:1 Blessed be the LORD my strength which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:

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

1 John 4:4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

Hebrews 13:5-6
[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.
[6]So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.

Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Deuteronomy 31:8 And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.

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

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

Death of the Apostles, prophets, and disciples

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PETER – The Apostle was imprisoned in Rome by the Emperor Nero who had him crucified upside down in 67 AD.

MATTHEW – The Apostle was preaching the gospel of Christ in Ethiopia and suffered martyrdom by the sword.

JAMES THE LESSER – The Apostle was thrown from the top of the temple and when that didn't kill him he was beaten to death with a club.

JAMES THE GREAT – The Apostle was put on trial in Jerusalem and sentenced to death. James was beheaded.

BARTHOLOMEW – The Apostle was also known as Nathaniel. Bartholomew was preaching the gospel of Christ in present day Turkey. Bartholomew was flayed to death by a whip while in Armenia.

ANDREW – The Apostle was crucified in Patras, Greece for preaching the gospel of Christ.

THOMAS – The Apostle was on one of his missionary trips to India to preach the gospel when he was stabbed to death with a spear.

JUDE – The Apostle was also known as Thaddeus. Jude was killed by arrows when he refused to deny his faith in Christ.

PHILLIP – The Apostle was beheaded in Turkey for preaching the gospel of Christ.

SIMON THE ZEALOT – The Apostle was sawn in half in Persia for preaching the gospel of Christ.

MATTHIAS – The Apostle chosen to replace Judas Iscariot was stoned for preaching the gospel of Christ and then beheaded.

JOHN – The last of the original disciples of Jesus did face martyrdom in Rome where he was boiled alive in a huge basin of oil. However, John was miraculously delivered from death by God (remember God needed John to write his gospel and the book of Revelation). John was also sentenced to
work in the mines on the Isle of Patmos but ultimately John died of old age as the only Apostle not to suffer martyrdom.

PAUL – The Apostle was imprisoned in Rome and beheaded by the Emperor Nero in 65 AD.

MARK – The writer of the book of Mark and disciple of Christ was preaching the gospel in Alexandria, Egypt when he was martyred. An angry mob bound Mark's feet and he was drug through the streets of Alexandria by a team of horses.

LUKE – The writer of the book of Luke and disciple of Christ was hanged in Greece for preaching the gospel.

JOHN THE BAPTIST – John was the prophesied forerunner of Christ. John was imprisoned by Herod and later beheaded.

STEPHEN – This disciple of Christ was stoned to death in Jerusalem for his faith.

The above individuals are just some of the famous people from the Bible that we know were killed in service to God. The number of unknown Christians who were martyred in the early days

we'll never know but there were a lot. Today in America Christians aren't persecuted like they were back then but the day will come when they are so we need to be prepared to meet that challenge. Revelation tells us Christians will one day be beheaded for not renouncing their faith in Christ.

Some Old Testament prophets called to service by God were also slain: ISAIAH – Killed with a saw by Manasseh, King of Judah. ZECHARIAH – Slain in the temple by Joash, King of Judah. JEREMIAH – Stoned to death in Egypt by Jews living there. EZEKIEL – Slain in Chaldea by the chief Jew living there. HABAKKUK – Stoned to death in Jerusalem by Jews.
AMOS – Tortured and killed with a staff by the priests of Bethel. WHAT PRICE ARE YOU WILLING TO SUFFER FOR JESUS CHRIST?

Questions & Answers About the Book of Revelation and End Time Events that's been asked of me? 9-25-24 Vicki Goforth Parnell

1. Does the Bible say who are the 2 end time witnesses?
2. The 2 witnesses cannot be female because they're called prophets and not prophetesses can they?
3. Are the 144,000 toddler virgin boys that follow and minister to Jesus Christ?
4. Can the 144,000 be male and female?
5. What does, "We're not appointed to wrath," mean?
6. If there were a pretrib rapture why would Jesus tell people the day before Armageddon they were in danger of losing their garments? 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. 16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.
7. If Jesus Comes before tribulation then why is he telling them to keep their garments clean? (Referring to question #6)
8. What is Jacob's Trouble?
9. How long is the tribulation and what is it?
10. Does the Bible tell us what the last trump is in 1 Corinthians 15:52 when Jesus Christ returns?

#1 Does the Bible say who are the 2 end time witnesses?

The 2 end time witnesses/prophets are found in the Holy Bible in Zechariah 4 & Revelation 11:3-12 with most of the information being located in the book of Revelation.

Their identities are never given, nor does it say they are male and/or female. The most common beliefs are that the 2 witnesses are either Elijah and Enoch, or Elijah and Moses although there are others out there as well. The reason being for Elijah and Enoch is because the Holy Bible gives an account of how both men were taken into Heaven without dying. (Genesis 5:24 for Enoch and 2 Kings 2:11 for Elijah) This is because Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: So if we're all appointed an appointment with death then these two will have to return to earth and die a fleshly death. This is faulty because those of the Bride of Christ who are caught up to Him in what we call the rapture will be alive. God determines who lives or dies so He can choose whether we keep an appointment with death or not. He's God, we are not! (Job 14:5; Acts 17:25-26)

Most people don't take into consideration that Father God in Heaven may have taken more people to Heaven without dying than what's recorded.One example would be found in the Apocrypha which originally was part of the Holy Bible until men chose to remove it…Not God.

In 2 Esdras 8:19 which ends with this sentence. This is the beginning of the words of Esdras (Ezra) [Esdras is latin for Ezra] before he was taken up.

Now concerning why some think it's Elijah and Moses as the 2 witnesses. It is because of Revelation 11:5-6 which tells of the power, the anointing of God displayed in their lives through both of them. Let's first be clear as was discussed prior there aren't any separate anointings.

The Word of God says in Ephesians 4:4-6
4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.
What does this mean? In 1 John 2:27 the Holy Spirit/Holy Ghost is also called the Anointing. There is only 1 Spirit and 1 Anointing and it's through this 1 anointing that we each operate and utilize through the power of the Holy Ghost the gifts we are given for our callings. The 2 witnesses of the end times will utilize the same part of His anointing power that Moses and Elijah operated in and even more.
To summarize it, the 2 end time witnesses' names according to the Word of God are never given. So they are whoever God calls them to be with the power of the anointing being utilized in them by the sweet Holy Spirit such were demonstrated by Moses and Elijah in their days. That's all it is.

Question #2 The 2 witnesses cannot be female because they're called prophets and not prophetesses can they?

Actually according to the Word of God they can be either male or female. We see this when the word study is done on the word "prophets" in:
Revelation 11:10; 18.
10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.
18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.
In both these verses the word prophets is Strong's G4396 Prophetes: a foreteller; prophet; an inspired speaker; An interpreter or spokesman for God; One whom through God speaks. The same Strong's G4396 Prophetes is also used throughout the New Testament including where prophets both male and female are being discussed. One writer Paul has used the word prophets instead of saying prophets and prophetesses while discussing the order to be maintained inside a church service setting or building so there wouldn't be any confusion. In addition when also talking about the different positions God has given to the church.

Here are a few examples:
1 Corinthians 12:28-29
28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.
29 Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?
1 Corinthians 14:29-33
29 Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.
30 If any thing be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.
31 For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.
32 And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.
33 For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.
Ephesians 4:11-12
11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

****Here are a few other verses where Strong's G4396 is also used for the word prophet/prophets. You can see it's commonly used for both male and female. Romans 1:2; 3:21; 11:3; James 5:10; 2 Peter 3:2; Revelation 10:7; Revelation 16:6.*****

We must never forget that in the kingdom of God there is no respect for persons with God as we know from Romans 2:11 and Galatians 3:28-29. So yes, the 2 end time witnesses according to the Word of God can be either male or female.

Question #3 Are the 144,000 toddler virgin boys that follow and minister to Jesus Christ?
Lord willing I will bring understanding for this question through the Holy Word of God. After praying in Jesus Christ's Name this is what I learned that I am providing at this time.
The verses in question concerning the 144,00 with the Lamb (who is Jesus Christ) is found in Revelation 14:1-5.
1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.
2 And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:
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.

4 These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.
5 And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.

I will first be addressing the part of the 144,00 being young toddler boys who ministers and follows Jesus Christ. Lord willing, the rest will be answered in the next question concerning the 144,00. First it's mentioned in verse 3 the 144,000 were redeemed from the earth. Then in verse 4 it says they were redeemed from among men. The redeemed we know from the Word of God are those who have accepted Jesus Christ into their hearts as their Lord. They have reached the age of accountability knowing right from wrong and recognize their need for a Savior to save them from their sins. This doesn't sound like toddler boys. Secondly Jesus Christ came to serve not to be ministered and served. But let's continue with verses showing us who are the redeemed and who this redemption was given to scripturally and show how Jesus Christ came to be a servant.

Redeemed definition…to buy back
Redemption: the action of regaining or gaining possession of something in exchange for payment, or clearing a debt:
Archaic redemption definition: the action of buying one's freedom

Galatians 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:
Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
Philippians 2:7 But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:
Colossians 1:13-14
13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:
14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:
1 Peter 1:18-19
18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers;
19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:
Mark 10:45 For even the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.
Matthew 10:28 Even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many.

In these verses alone we see both Jesus Christ didn't come to be ministered to but to give His life a ransom for many. To redeem them. The 144,000 according to the Word of God are the redeemed who have accepted Jesus Christ into their hearts. Another thing, the 144,000 are old enough according to verse 3 to sing a new song. A completely new song that only they can sing and can learn. These are those who have been redeemed from among men. Meaning once they were living under the curse of sin in this world on the earth but now redeemed by the Blood of Jesus Christ. (Galatians 3:13) One more point. Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever. Malachi 3:6….I am the Lord, I change not. If Jesus Christ came to be a servant and not be ministered to and He never changes as Hebrews 13:8 says then, "No," the 144,00 will not be there to personally minister or wait on Jesus Christ in anyway no matter what age they are because as we now see this would be contrary to the written Word of God.

So yes the 2 end time witnesses can be male or female according to the Word of God and their names were never given. So they are whoever God calls them to be.

Question #4 Can the 144,000 be male and female?
We know from the above verses in Revelation 14:3-4 the 144,000 are those who have been redeemed…saved by Jesus Christ as we have already determined with the first question about them.

This verse in Revelation 14:4 is talking about those who have not defiled themselves with women. What does this actually mean? It's assumed they are male only but could it in reality be referring to both male or female? Let's see what the scripture says about it because it does say there is no respect of persons with God in 2 Chronicles 19:7. This means we are all the same in His eyes.

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

Acts 10:34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

Lord willing, let's examine this closer. Sweet Holy Spirit in Jesus Christ's Name please lead us.

The Greek word for women in Revelation 14:4 is Strong's G1135 gynē. It means a woman …especially a wife .. not just women as it has been translated to fit the verse's translation. So women in this verse refers to a wife and is symbolic of the world. The "they" in this scripture are not defiled by or married to the world but to Jesus Christ. They are faithful to Him. We know this by the rest of the verse itself. They are married/follow the Lamb who is Jesus Christ.

The word virgins in verse 4 is Strong's G3933 parthenos which means:

3933 *parthénos* – properly, a *virgin*; a woman who has never had sexual relations; a female (virgin), beyond puberty but not yet married; (figuratively) *believers* when they are pure (chaste), i.e. faithful to Christ their heavenly Bridegroom (2 Cor 11:2; Rev 14:4). (Bible Hub website word study site) Why is this important? Because Father God according to His Word is our husband and Jesus Christ is referred to as our Bridegroom. Our betrothed. We are either married to the world or to Father God/Jesus Christ.

Verses about Jesus Christ as our Bridegroom spoken and symbolically.

Matthew 9:15 And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.
Luke 5:34-35
34 And he said unto them, Can ye make the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?
35 But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them,

Revelation 19:7 Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready.

John 3: 29 He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.

Symbolically

Matthew 25:1-13

*****God our husband verses: ******

Israel 54:5-6
5 For thy Maker is thine husband; the Lord of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called.
6 For the Lord hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.

Here we see where God calls Himself Husband to His people. (remember those who are saved by Jesus Christ are grafted into the vine and become heirs and joint heirs also to the kingdom of God and the promises of Abraham. Here also in verse 6 we see the land (part of earth) referred to as a female…a woman forsaken…a wife.

Betrothal in Bible days was the same as being married without them coming together in the flesh as one in the eyes of God. (Joseph & Mary is one example: Matthew 1:18-20)

If you have accepted Jesus Christ into your heart you are now married/betrothed to Father God and Jesus Christ who are one according to John 10:30. Jesus is the bridegroom so that makes all His children both male and female making up the Bride, His church. You are either married to Father God/Jesus Christ or the world.

In the parable of the 10 virgins in Matthew 25:1-13 which is symbolic of Jesus Christ as our bridegroom coming for those of His bride who are ready, being pure undefiled virgins living holy lives with their lamps full of oil. The other 5 virgin's lamps were empty. Again take notice in Scripture how all the Bride of Christ is made up of both male and female and are categorized as virgins. The word virgins here is the word used for virgins in Revelation 14:4 Strong's G3933 parthenos. It would appear that Revelation 14:4's virgins are both male and female but let's seek out more information in Jesus Christ's Name from the Word of God.

We who are redeemed by the Blood of Jesus Christ are all called to be kings and of the royal priesthood through our acceptance of Jesus Christ into our hearts. We are all the same with none being different from one and another. Here are the scriptures to show this truth.

Galatians 3:26-29

26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.
27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.
29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Revelation 1:5-6

5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,
6 And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 2: 4-10

4 To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,
5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.
6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.
7 Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,
8 And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;
10 Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.
2 Corinthians 6: 14-18
14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?
15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?
16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.
18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.
John 15:8-9
8 If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you.
19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.
20 Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.

The 144000 are those of Jewish DNa or descent who have kept themselves undefiled from the world and its pleasures of sin. Remember, there is no respect of persons with Jesus Christ and Father God. It's written in His Word in Romans 2:11. His true children are kings and priests. They are those who do not defile themselves with the world because we no longer belong to it. We are called to separate from the world. Come out from among it. We are to abstain and live holy undefiled lives in Jesus Christ as 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 & John 15:8-9 tells us. So according to the Word of God, yes the 144,000 can be both male and female.

Question #5 What does, “We’re not appointed to wrath,” mean?

As a child of God who has accepted Jesus Christ into their hearts as Lord we His body have become redeemed and justified through His Blood and by all He has done for us. He became the propitiation which means the atonement for our sins. When He was on the cross Jesus Christ became sin so He could break the curse of sin and we could go free. We could have the garment of salvation and the robe of His righteousness now upon each of us. Meaning His righteousness. But also God’s wrath was upon Him while He was on the cross. He took our place.This is how we are justified and free from His wrath to come. We will not be subjected to God’s wrath when Christ Jesus has already satisfied God’s judgment on the cross in our place.

Hebrews 9:24-28

24 For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:
25 Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others;
26 For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.
27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:
28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.
2 Corinthians 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.
Romans 5:9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.
1 Thessalonians 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,
Revelation 3:10-11
10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.
11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

Note: This is spoken to the church of Sardis, one of the 7 Churches Jesus Christ speaks about in Revelation 2 & 3 which will be the condition and state from all 7 churches that will be present in the churches in the end time days. We know this because He repeatedly says after speaking of each individual church He says the word “churches”. It’s plural. This is before the opening of the seals in Revelation 6 signifying the Bride ready church will be kept from the hour of temptation that comes upon all the world, plus referring to His coming. Meaning the tribulation because it’s the whole world.*

2 Peter 2:9
The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly (justified/redeemed by Jesus Christ’s Blood) out of temptation, and to reserve the unjust (un justified/unredeemed by Jesus Christ’s Blood) unto the day of judgment to be punished: (Great Day of the Lord of Wrath)
Romans 3:22-26
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:
23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:
25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.
1 John 2:1-2
1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:
2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.
In my understanding of these verses those not appointed unto wrath are those living clean holy lives with His help and are bride ready. They will be caught up to Jesus Christ before the wrath hits.

****Who then is the wrath of God reserved for?******
John 3:36 He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.
Romans 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness;
Nahum 1:2 God is jealous, and the Lord revengeth; the Lord revengeth, and is furious; the Lord will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies.
Ezra 8:22 For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God is upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath is against all them that forsake him.
Revelation 14:9-11
9 And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

Question # 6 If there were a pretrib rapture why would Jesus tell people the day before Armageddon they were in danger of losing their garments? 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. 16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.
This warning is given in several places through the Word of God showing God's faithfulness and unchanging ways of warning His children to stay clean, live holy, be prepared, and keep watch for Jesus Christ's return. Otherwise His return would come upon them like the rest of the world

unexpectedly and like a thief in the night whether it's before or during the tribulation. There are verses that say this. But let's continue.

Question #7 If Jesus Comes before tribulation then why is he telling them to keep their garments clean? (Referring to question #6)

Lord willing, I will answer these two questions together.

I thought these verses were self-explanatory because we know at the end of the tribulation is when armageddon occurs. The left behind or tribulation saints as they are also called which include the Jews who have accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord will have visible signs they will know to watch for His returning at this time. Even more so than for the rapture. To the enemy's forces He will come unexpectedly like a thief in the night and for those tribulation saints not ready and not watching for His return. When all the armies began amassing for the battle of Armeggedon to be fought in the Megiddo valley all His remaining children, the tribulation saints watching and waiting for Him to return again will know it's time for Him to reappear and put an end to antichrist's reign of terror. Then the time of the Millenium reign will soon begin.

But let's see what the Word of God says about the answers to these questions number 6 & 7. Let's start with why there is a reminder to those tribulation saints to keep their garments clean also what it means by being naked or clothed biblically speaking.

Psalms 5:4 For thou art not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil dwell with thee.

Hebrews 12:14 Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

If you want to see Father God or enter Heaven/New Jerusalem you cannot get there without clean garments and a holy life at any time even during the tribulation. It's a reminder at this time when they see these things occurring they must still keep their garments spotless, keep living holy, pure, obedient lives just as we have to do now if they want to enter Heaven or see Father God. When we accept Jesus Christ into our hearts we become washed in His Blood (Revelation 1:5; 1 John 1:9) and we are clothed in His righteousness. Our garments are white and clean but we must keep them that way with His help.

****Garments in the Holy Bible.****

Put on or adorn oneself with these:

Colossians 3:12-14

12 Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

13 Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye.

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

***Put on or clothe yourselves with the Armor of God in Ephesians 6:11-17.

***Be clothed with humility it says in 1 Peter 5:5.

***Put on the Lord Jesus Christ it says in Romans 13:14

****Garments represent many things in the Word of God.****
In Revelation 19:8 clean white linen is the righteousness of the saints.

Isaiah 61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

****Also we find examples of soiled and dirty garments.*****
Revelation 3:4 Jesus Christ speaks about a few in the church of Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. This tells us the others in the church had garments that were defiled which meant dirty from sinning.

****Example of what being naked means.*****
In Revelation 3:14-19 Jesus Christ is speaking of the Laodicean church. This is His church so they haven't taken the mark of the beast yet or He wouldn't be talking to them and trying to get them to repent because once you take the mark of the beast you are lost forever. This is the lukewarm church and He calls them naked. Their spiritual garments are dirty leaving them exposed for all to see they're not walking in holy righteousness as we are instructed to do if we profess Jesus Christ as redeeming us.
Revelation 3:14-19
14 And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;
15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.
16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.
17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:
18 I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.
19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

If you're living holy and keeping your garments clean and cease from doing evil (sinning) as we're instructed to do in Isaiah 1:16, Ecclesiastes 9:8, James 4:8, & 2 Corinthians 7:1 then your life will be pleasing and an obedient one to Father God and Jesus Christ. When we accepted Jesus Christ into our hearts we became washed in His Blood (Revelation 1:5; 1 John 1:9) and we are clothed in His righteousness. Our garments are white and clean but we are instructed to keep them this way and it's only possible with His help. Otherwise if we don't we no longer have His

blood covering and we stand naked in our sins. We need to repent and let His Blood wash us clean again so we will once again be dressed in His pure, clean garments and His robe of righteousness. This is the nakedness that Revelation 16:15 is talking about that the Christians are being warned of.

We know this is for all the tribulation saints including the Christian Jews because Daniel 12:1 says this. “And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.” Referring to those Jews who have their names in the Lamb’s book of life. (Revelation 3:5; 13:8)
A Physical example of sin being the cause of nakedness would be when Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden. Sin had entered and they were no longer holy and undefiled and became consciously aware they were naked. Sin was the cause. (Genesis 3:7-2)

We can see why the tribulation saints were warned again about keeping themselves clean and prepared for Jesus Christ’s return. This warning is given near the end of the great tribulation period right before the battle of Armeggedon is to begin. How long before its start, whether it’s days or months it doesn’t say. The return of Jesus Christ is expected with many signs to watch for the tribulation saints still on the earth signifying to them it's time. The armies gathering from around the world for the battle of Armageddon it’s one sure sign for them of His imminent return with the saints and holy angels.There will also be signs in the Heavens to observe. The whole world though unprepared will know and see His return in great power and the glory of God. Not only was Revelation 16:15 inserted here as a reminder and warning to stay clean and prepared but also it’s reminding them at this point it’s almost over and the Millennial reign is soon to begin.

Question # 8 What is Jacob’s Trouble?

Jacob’s trouble is mentioned in Jeremiah 30:7 which says, “Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble, but he shall be saved out of it.”
It’s also mentioned but not by that name in other locations in the Word of God.

Deuteronomy 4:30-31
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;
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 sware unto them.
Latter days is a reference to end time days.
Daniel 12:1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a

nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.
***Revelation 12 we see the woman that is believed to be Israel by some. She flees to the wilderness where she has a place provided for her by God in verse 6. This goes with the verses found in Matthew 24.
Matthew 24:16-24
16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:
17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!
20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:
21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.
22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.
23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.
24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

In Revelation 12:11 we read how the enemy is defeated even before we're told about the antichrist, the false prophet, and his mark of the beast and it is because they had refused to worship the beast, or take his mark. What a God we serve.
Revelation 12:11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Question #9 How long is the Tribulation and what is it?
The tribulation is seventy weeks or a seven-year period when God will finish His discipline of Israel drawing them back to Him and they finally accept His Son Jesus Christ as their long awaited Messiah. It's to finalize His judgment of the unbelieving world in which the end result is the removal of sin and darkness but also to establish His kingdom. The second half is called the great tribulation.

Daniel 9:24-27
24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.
25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.
27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

These above verses actually reveal the reasons, the purpose for the tribulation. God's purpose is "to finish transgression, to put an end to sin, to make reconciliation for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy," as priorly mentioned. In verse 24, The angel Gabriel says, "Seventy 'weeks'(& days in 1 week) are decreed for your people and your holy city." Almost all commentators agree that this should be understood as seventy "weeks" of years, in other words, a period of 490 years. (Some translations refer to 70 "sevens" of years.) (Please note the only place I have found that mentions 7 months in the Holy Bible is in Ezekiel 39:11-13 where this allotted time is spent burying the dead from the Gog/Magog war. So the 70 weeks doesn't refer to months)

In Daniel 9:25 and 26, the Messiah will be cut off after " shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: (Or seven sevens and sixty-two sevens" 69 total sevens), beginning with the decree to rebuild Jerusalem. In other words, 69 sevens (483 years) after the decree to rebuild is issued, the Messiah will die. Biblical historians confirm that 483 years passed from the time of the decree to rebuild Jerusalem to the time when Jesus was crucified.

The "seventy weeks" prophecy goes on to divide the 490 years into three smaller units: one of 49 years, one of 434 years, and one 7 years. The final "week" of 7 years is further divided in half. Verse 25 says, "Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.'" Seven "weeks" is 49 years, and sixty-two "sevens" is another 434 years:

49 years + 434 years = 483 years

God said that 70 weeks had been determined (490 years), but, with the death of the Messiah, we only have 69 weeks accounted for (483 years). This leaves one seven-year period to be fulfilled all that was written in Daniel 12:1.
So the tribulation is for a seven-year period in the end times in which mankind's debauchery and depravity will reach its fullness, with God judging accordingly. Also during that time, Israel will repent of their sin and receive Jesus Christ as their Messiah, setting up a time of great blessing

and restoration (Zephaniah 3:9–20; Isaiah 12; 35) with Jesus Christ's eternal kingdom being established. (2 Peter 1:11; Revelation 11:15)

Question #10 Does the Bible tell us what the last trump is in 1 Corinthians 15:52 when Jesus Christ returns?

1 Corinthians 15:52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

No, the Bible never does say exactly and it could mean a number of different things. To determine a clearer picture more verses from other locations shall be brought and we can then eliminate what it is not with Jesus Christ's help.

Some say it is the last trumpet of the 7 trumpet judgments found in Revelation 8-9; 11:15-19. There is no mention of any of these 7 angels sounding the 7 trumpets of being an archangel. So most likely it isn't one of these trumpets when you do the Word study in the Holy Bible in the Greek original language since it's the New Testament. Which I did concerning 1 Thessalonians 4:16 which is another reference to the rapture or being caught up.

We know 1 Corinthians 15:52 is referring to the rapture because the dead shall rise then the ready saints bodies shall be changed but when you pull the surrounding verses in this part of the verse it's more clearly seen. As well as verses from other locations.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52

51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

1 Thessalonians 4:14-18

14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

"With" Strong's G1722 *en* = in, by, with, among, at, on, through; in, by, with etc.

"The voice" is Strong's G5456 *phōnē* = a sound, a tone; a voice; of a language, tongue

Thayer Greek Lexicon definition: the awakening shout of the archangel, the leader of the angelic host

***The last trumpet mentioned here will also accompany the resurrection of the dead not just Jesus Christ's return for His bride.
***These 2 chapters should actually be read together as part of the same discussion. Men put the chapter dividers into the Holy Bible.
1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
1 But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.
2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.
3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.
4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief.
5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.
6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.
7 For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.
8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.
9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,
10 Who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with him.
11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do.

****A quick thought on 1 Thessalonians 4:18 & 1 Thessalonians 5:11. What comfort would there be for anyone in Paul's words, if we were to have to go through all of it, the tribulation until the very end anyway? Or Luke 21:36 Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man. What would be the point to watch and pray that you're counted worthy to escape if we are called to go through all of it until the end?**********

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3; 7-9
1 Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,
2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.
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;
7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

****When do trumpets sound in the Word of God?*****
Trumpet blasts are sounded numerous times. They are sounded as warning, at feasts, as well as making announcements.

Ezekiel 33:3-6
3 If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people;
4 Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head.
5 He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul.
6 But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand.

***The aforementioned 6 of the 7 angels with the 7 trumpets were giving warning and announcing judgments. The 7th angel with the 7th trumpet announced the Kingdom of the Lord had come.

***The trumpet will also be sounded to announce the great day of the Lord.
Joel 2:1 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand;

***Also there is the last trumpet blast of the 100 blown either by the shofar or ram's horn during a traditional Rosh Hashanah service at Yom Kippur.

***The blowing of the trumpet with the coming of Israel's King, her salvation and the gathering of the exiled as found in Zechariah 9:9-14 and Isaiah 27:12-13.

Zechariah 9:9-14
9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.
10 And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the battle bow shall be cut off: and he shall speak peace unto the heathen: and his dominion shall be from sea even to sea, and from the river even to the ends of the earth.

11 As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water.
12 Turn you to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope: even to day do I declare that I will render double unto thee;
13 When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim, and raised up thy sons, O Zion, against thy sons, O Greece, and made thee as the sword of a mighty man.
14 And the Lord shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning: and the Lord God shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.
Isaiah 27:12-13
12 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the Lord shall beat off from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ye children of Israel.
13 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and they shall come which were ready to perish in the land of Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of Egypt, and shall worship the LORD in the holy mount at Jerusalem.
A trumpet is blown during the rapture.(1 Corinthians 15:52; 1 Thessalonians 4:16)
A trumpet is blown during Jesus Christ's return in Revelation 19:11-21 at the end of the tribulation. (Matthew 24:31 on page 21)

So what are the trumpet blasts announcing and warning both times Jesus Christ returns? The official return of the King of kings to earth. They're announcing the King's arrival and giving warning to His enemies their time is up. Hallelujah! It's one return in 2 parts.

Part 1: His return is announced that He's come to remove His bride from harm's way before His wrath and judgment are executed upon the unbelieving and ungodly. Because those ready in Him aren't appointed to this time of wrath because they are justified by His Blood and atonement as was discussed earlier.
Part 2. His final announced return in which Jesus Christ will draw Israel back to Him, finalize His judgment of the unbelieving world in which the end result is the removal of sin and darkness, and then also to establish His kingdom.

Other rapture verses not mentioned
Hebrews 9:28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.
Matthew 25:1-13
1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.
2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.
3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:
4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.
5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

6 And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.
7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.
8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.
9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.
10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.
11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.
12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.
13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

***All 10 virgins were saved waiting on the Bridegroom Jesus Christ. But Only the 5 wise virgins were dressed in spotless white and bride ready having their lamps full of oil. They were fully prepared. The foolish ones were not fully prepared and is evident because they didn't take enough oil and when the bridegroom call came they were trying to buy oil. They were trying to get prepared at this time. The wise virgins are those that will be raptured while the foolish five are those that will be left behind to become tribulation saints.

Luke 12:35-40
35 Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning;
36 And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.
37 Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them.
38 And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants.
39 And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.
40 Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye think not.
Acts 1:11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.

Verses pertaining to Jesus Christ's return at the end of the tribulation with the armies of Heaven (holy angels and saints) in which the purpose is to defeat His enemies, execute judgment ending all evil and sin, then establish His kingdom.

Mark 13:24-37
24 But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light,

[25] And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken.
[26] And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great power and glory.
[27] And then shall he send his angels, and shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.
Matthew 24:27-31
[27] For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.
[28] For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.
[29] Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:
[30] And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.
[31] And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

My understanding is these are the tribulations saints who have been scattered, hiding, or imprisoned all over the world because of the antichrist's forces that His angels are gathering. They could be under the water, land, above land or even high in the sky. Only God's Heaven knows exactly where the tribulation saints are at the moment Jesus Christ returns.

Matthew 25:31-33
31 When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:
32 And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:
33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.
Matthew 16:27-28
27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.
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.
John 5:26-30
26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;
27 And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.
28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,
29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

30 I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.
2 Peter 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

Revisiting the 2 Witnesses in the Word of God
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I have pulled more information together that I have studied about the 2 end time witnesses due to questions asked concerning the information I spoke about Zerubbabel and Joshua the High Priest not being the 2 end time witnesses on a prior video. This will also be referencing questions about 'It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment,' found in Hebrews 9:27, let me clarify what I am referring to according to the Word of God.

The power of life and death are in Father God and Jesus Christ's Hands. The devil no longer has the power over death as he once had after sin entered the world when Adam and Eve sinned in the Garden of Eden. Jesus Christ now holds the keys to not only death but hell also. So lucifer, the devil doesn't even have keys to his kingdom because it says Jesus Christ has all authority of things in the heaven and in the earth. Meaning inside the whole created firmament of our world.

Hebrews 2:14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

Revelation 1:18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

Matthew 18:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.
It is Father God and Jesus Christ who determines whether you keep this appointment with death or not. I say this because we know in the Word of God that Enoch and Elijah were translated, meaning taken to Heaven without dying. In addition, there are those that will be translated, caught up in what some call the rapture when Jesus Christ comes for His bride that will have never died.
Genesis 5:24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.
1 Kings 2:11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

Concerning Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel.
Key passages of Scripture concerning their roles in history and the symbolic meaning references: Haggai 1&2; Ezra 3; Zechariah 3:1-5; 6:9-14
The symbolic spiritual meaning of Joshua the High priest and Zerubbabel are in relation to Jesus Christ the coming Messiah.
1. The Book of Haggai
Haggai 1:14 records: "So the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel…and the spirit of Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest…" This highlights Joshua's God-ordained motivation in the temple's reconstruction.

Haggai 2:2 again speaks to Joshua, emphasizing how God directly addressed him together with Zerubbabel, demonstrating divine endorsement for both the civil and priestly roles.
2. The Book of Zechariah
Zechariah 3:1-5 recounts a vision in which Joshua stands before the Angel of the LORD while Satan accuses him. In that vision, Joshua's filthy garments are replaced with clean garments, symbolizing the cleansing of sin and renewed favor from God.
Zechariah 6:9-14 describes a symbolic crowning of Joshua. While Zerubbabel was of the Davidic line, the crowning of the High Priest pointed to messianic expectations-unifying both the priestly and royal aspects in the future Messiah.
3. The Book of Ezra
Ezra 3:2 names Jeshua (another form of "Joshua") the son of Jozadak leading the people in rebuilding the altar. This passage provides a narrative setting where Joshua/Jeshua, as High Priest, oversaw sacrifices and restored proper worship from the earliest phase of returning to Jerusalem.

Zechariah's prophecies about Joshua point to a coming figure who combines the offices of priest and king in one. Though Zerubbabel was the governor from David's line, the crowning of Joshua in Zechariah 6:11-13 provides an image of unified spiritual and royal authority that highlights God's promised Messiah. Thus, Joshua's story anticipates a greater redemption, offering hope that God will not only rebuild the temple but also bring true restoration through a future "Branch" (Zechariah 6:12).
Both of these men have already died. Their flesh has decomposed and their bodies returned to dust as the Word of God tells us they do. The spirit departs, meaning the silver cord of life is fully cut, and the spirit at God's appointed time, returns to God. This is why the enemy cannot raise the dead, because the spirits of those that die return to God. It is only through deception that the enemy will deceive people into thinking they have brought someone back from the dead.
Genesis 2:7 And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.
Genesis 3:19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.
Ecclesiastes 12:6-7
6 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. 7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.
Psalms 104:29-30
29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.
30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.
Job 34:14-15
14 If he set his heart upon man, if he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath;
15 All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust.
In the Word of God we find instances in the Old and New Testament of the dead being raised, and brought back to life. In all these instances it's concerning a person whose body is still residing on

the earth (so not being translated/caught up) and it's always before their body has fully decayed and returned to the earth as dust.
Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel both have died, been buried and their bodies returned to dust. They have already past the point of accounts written in the Word of God of when Father God and Jesus Christ called the person's spirit of life back into their bodies. Jesus Christ and Father God
do not change it says Malachi 3: and Hebrews 13:8. It's not beyond their power to recreate a body that has returned to dust, but according to the Word of God they have chosen not to do so. So this eliminates Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel as the 2 end time witnesses because they have already died and their bodies returned to earth. The 2 end time Witnesses will die by the hands of the beast antichrist as Revelation 11:7 says they will.

Here's what I believed happened to Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel.
Matthew 27:50-53
50 Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. 51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;
52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,
53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.
Many saints of God were seen walking around in the holy city after Jesus Christ was resurrected. These saints, in my understanding, are those He took with Him when He returned to Heaven after being resurrected. They make up the great cloud of witnesses written about in Hebrews 12:1. Since Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel were righteous men then they would most likely be included in those resurrected.
The physical body has to be changed to be able to enter Heaven. We know this from the Word of God. Otherwise our bodies wouldn't have to be changed as we are told they would be. How many times is it written in the Word of God that once a person is glorified and part of Heaven that God changes their body back to a fleshly body that was cursed when Adam and Eve sinned to return to earth?
Philippians 3:20-21
20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:
21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.
1 Corinthians 15:50-54
50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.
51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.
John 11:23-25
23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.
24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.
25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
John 5:2 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will.
The People raised from the dead in the Holy Bible in both the Old and New Testaments were always raised, brought back to life in a matter of days. Not weeks, months or years later. God doesn't change. This is the pattern He and Jesus Christ operate in. Here are those occurrences found inside the Scripture of Truth.
Old Testament:
1. Widow's son from Zarephath raised by Elijah soon after he died. 1 Kings 17:17-24
2. Shunammite Woman's Son raised by Elisha. Occurred within the few days' time it took to travel from Shunem to Mount Carmel then back. 2 Kings 4:8-37
3. Israelite man's funeral…he was being buried. His dead body was dropped on Elisha's body because of Moabites attacking. 2 Kings 13:20–21
New Testament:
4. Widow's son in Nain that Jesus Christ raised off the bier they were carrying him on to take to be buried. Luke 7:11–17
5. Jairus' Daughter was dying when he found Jesus Christ. A servant found him and told him she had died. Jesus Christ went to his home and raised her from the dead. So it was shortly after his 12 yr old daughter had died. Luke 8:41-42; 49-56
6. Lazarus is raised from the dead 4 days after he was buried by Jesus Christ. John 11:39-44
7. Even Jesus Christ's body was resurrected by God only after 3 days. Matthew 28:5-6; Mark 16:5-6; Luke 24:3-8; John 20:1-17
8. Saints in Jerusalem the holy city raised after Jesus Christ was resurrected. Matthew 27:50-53
9. Tabitha, also called Dorcas, was raised from the dead by Peter only a few days after her death. Acts 9:36-42
10. Eutychus was raised by Paul after he fell down from the third loft. Acts 20:7–12

The 2 end time witnesses/prophets are found in Zechariah 4 and Revelation 11:3-12 with most of the information being located in the book of Revelation. Let's first be clear, there aren't any separate anointings.
The Word of God says in:
Ephesians 4:4-6
4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

What does this mean? In 1 John 2:27 the Holy Spirit/Holy Ghost is also called the Anointing. There is only 1 Spirit and 1 Anointing and it's through this 1 anointing that we each operate and utilize through the power of the Holy Ghost the gifts we are given for our callings.
The 2 witnesses of the end times will utilize the same part of His anointing power that Moses and Elijah operated in and even more. To summarize it, the 2 end time witnesses' names according to the Word of God are never given. So they are whoever God calls them to be with the power of the anointing being utilized in them by the sweet Holy Spirit such were demonstrated by Moses and Elijah in their days. That's all it is.
Because of Revelation 11:6 many believe one of the witnesses has to be Elijah. We read how in parts of the anointing Elijah operated in was fire and rain. The Word of God tells us in 1 Kings 17:1, James 5:17 and 1 Kings
18:41-42 how Elijah prayed there wouldn't be any rain for 3 years and also how he prayed and it began to rain again. These prayers were answered by God, but He's not the only one. Samuel, a righteous judge of the people, prayed and asked God to send rain which he did by sending both rain and thunder.
1 Samuel 12:18-19
18 So Samuel called unto the Lord; and the Lord sent thunder and rain that day: and all the people greatly feared the Lord and Samuel. 19 And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for thy servants unto the Lord thy God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our sins this evil, to ask us a king.
In addition, Revelation 11:6 reveals to us that both of the 2 witnesses will operate in this part of the anointing that Elijah did. It is both of them and not just one. Therefore it rules out by this verse alone it was only Elijah who had these abilities in the Holy Spirit's anointing.
Revelation 11:6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will. According to the Word of God the 2 witnesses can also be either male or female. We see this when the word study is done on the word "prophets" in:
Revelation 11:10; 18.
10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.
18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.

In both these verses the word prophets is Strong's G4396 Prophetes: a foreteller; prophet; an inspired speaker; An interpreter or spokesman for God; One whom through God speaks. The same Strong's G4396 Prophetes is also used throughout the New Testament including where prophets both male and female are being discussed.
One writer Paul has used the word prophets instead of saying prophets and prophetesses while discussing the order to be maintained inside a church service setting or building so there wouldn't be any confusion. In addition when also talking about the different positions God has given to the church.
Here are a few examples:
1 Corinthians 12:28-29

28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.
29 Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?
1 Corinthians 14:29-33
29 Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge. 30 If any thing be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.
31 For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.
32 And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. 33 For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.
Ephesians 4:11-12
11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:
****Here are a few other verses where Strong's G4396 is also used for the word prophet/prophets. You can see it's commonly used for both male and female. Romans 1:2; 3:21; 11:3; James 5:10; 2 Peter 3:2; Revelation 10:7; Revelation 16:6.*****
We must never forget that in the kingdom of God there is no respect for persons with God as we know from Romans 2:11 and Galatians 3:28-29. So the 2 end time witnesses according to the Word of God can be either male or female.

With all this information found in the Word of God it is clear the 2 witnesses are never named. Nor are they brought back from the dead after their bodies have already decayed and turned to dust. Neither are those whose bodies have been changed and are in heaven have their glorified body and eternal life stripped and taken from them to return to earth to die again in a fleshly body. Their bodies have been changed for an eternity with Father God and Jesus Christ. They will be filled with the anointing of God…power given to them by God as it is written in Revelation 11:3
Matthew 25:46 And these shall go away into everlasting punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.
Mark 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.
1 Corinthians 15:52-54
52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.
Revelation 11:3-7
3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. 4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.
6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.
7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.
There is only one Spirit, the one and same Anointing we operate in, that Jesus Christ operated in once He was baptized.
1 Corinthians 12:4-7
4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.
5 And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. 6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.
7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.
Transfiguration Verses:
Matthew 17:1-9; Mark 9:2-8; Luke 9:28-36
Now it's up to you as a Child of God to pray, try, test and discern this in Jesus Christ's Name. Then study it further with Holy Spirit, our Teacher's help. (1 John 2:27 and 2 Timothy 2:15)

So, you want to call someone a false prophet! Are you 100% sure? You had better be!

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Please pray about all this information without a preconceived, made-up mind in Jesus Christ's name I pray and ask. Try/Test the spirits and line this word up by the Word of God. (1 John 4:1-3; 13-15 & 1 Corinthians 12:3)

Let's talk about these key verses which cause so many people to sling stones at their brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus intending to kill or maim them.

Deuteronomy 18:21-22

21 And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken?

22 When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

Note: God didn't set a time limit when a word has to come to pass. *

How many people have been called false prophets or called someone else a false prophet because a word, dream, or vision didn't come to pass as originally given or as one assumed it would? You don't have to answer that. God already knows who has and who hasn't!

It would be best if one keeps their mouth shut before slinging railing accusations at one of God's little ones until you seek fully for His truth in these matters.

Do you realize that the prophetic word given to Hezekiah was an unconditional prophecy through Isaiah at the time it was given? Get your house in order, Hezekiah. This sickness is unto death... no "ifs" to this one! But because God is merciful and full of love and the fact that He is God, if he so chooses, he can change his heart at any given moment of time. Oh, and by the way… He did in this instance. One can see proof of this when He gave Hezekiah 15 more additional years. (2 Kings 20) He created and controls all time! He's God!

Here's my point. This is what God has been showing me and I feel led to share.

Why did God distinguish to Moses in Deuteronomy 18:22, the "If the thing follow not" and "come to pass" when most people assume they generally mean the same thing? One should never assume anything. Especially not when Jehovah God is involved. His ways are too high for us. (Isaiah 55:8-9)

Here are the definitions for these words:

Follow means to: go or come after (a person or thing proceeding ahead); move or travel behind.

To come to pass means: often indicates that what is happening is the result of a course of events.

Why is this important?

When Isaiah gave the prophetic word to Hezekiah that he was going to die, his death was foretold. Pronounced by Isaiah the prophet by God for him to deliver. Which he did. It was a true word from Jehovah God in Heaven. At this moment in time, He had not allowed his compassion and mercy for Hezekiah's prayers to change his heart because He being God knew already what was best for all involved.

But Hezekiah cried out unto God who was moved in His heart with compassion and love for his child King Hezekiah and a new word came forth. There was a change in God's heart toward Hezekiah's circumstances. The first given word from God given through Isaiah had now been changed to something that is different, yet still foretells the same end results. King Hezekiah shall still die but now at a later time.

But God is still God. God can't lie. He can't change. But here we now see prophetic words are not always as cut and dry as people demand them to be or as they "assume" they should be.

This changing of God's heart and not His mind, toward Hezekiah shows His great love for His Child Hezekiah. He was still appointed to die, but now it would be 15 years later. The word God gave Isaiah was still true. "Hezekiah, you're going to die," but the circumstances and timing surrounding it had now been altered. Even though God knew the end results beforehand of what this would cost Judah and Israel. They would become divided after his son Manasseh was born then ruled in his stead. God still granted him the additional years out of love.

I wanted to point out the fact that this given word by God didn't transpire as it first came forth. This doesn't make it a false word. It means we do not fully understand the magnitude of God's ways and His unconditional love for us. Did this make Isaiah a false prophet? He had given a word that changed. No, no it did not! Actually, the first word foretelling he was to die did come to pass when Hezekiah passed away 15 years later when his allotted time was up.

I asked God about this after hearing these accusations hurled my way time and time again. It used to bother me, but not anymore. I know to whom I belong to…Jesus Christ! I am "great" in this knowledge. He in love replied to me. He said this: If I being God can change My own prophetic word given, from it following and happening at one time for it to come to pass at a latter time, then what is it to man if I choose to do so again? For I am God? (Ecclesiastes 1:9; 3:15)

So, there you go. He's God and we're not.

If someone steps out and speaks words of untruth, a lie not given to them by God or His Son Jesus Christ, then they would rightly earn the title of false prophet. But please make sure enough time has passed and/or you have sought God earnestly in Jesus Christ's Name. You tested and tried the word lining up also with the Word of God to know if this was or wasn't a real word, dream, or vision sent from Him.

If a prophetic word has not occurred yet, it may very well be because there has been some form of change, and it has been God Almighty who has changed it. It can be dates, circumstances, people and/or foretold events. If this is the case then at some point the truth will be revealed. If you called this person who delivered the message from God a false prophet then realize this. You have just attacked God's anointed and that is a very dangerous thing to do for anyone. (Psalms 105:15; Matthew 18:5-7; Mark 9:41-43; Luke 17:1-3; Matthew 18:10) God does not take too kindly to anyone messing with His little children.

True words, dreams, and visions given to someone from Father God or Jesus Christ His Son that are spoken in their Name may not always come to pass as we understand or assume they should. God's timing is different from ours. It just might be that it has not come to pass yet on God's time clock, but it will at some time if it's truly from Heaven and not a false word, dream, or vision.

So, in a nutshell, here is what I have learned. Just because a word, dream, or vision doesn't occur or come to pass when we "supposed" or "assumed" it

should, doesn't mean it's a false word. It could be a prophetic word in waiting or even a word that God has changed Himself. Take it to Jesus Christ in prayer earnestly seeking His truth and you might be surprised by His response…if you will take time to listen to our totally amazing God of love. After all, why take a chance on incurring God's wrath upon you or even a curse? All because you picked on your own brother and sister in Jesus Christ when you didn't take time to seek His truth in this matter and you opened your own mouth in evil accusations. I'm just saying…….

Other related verses of God's prophetic words being changed by Him.

Amos 7; Jonah 3; Genesis 18:16-33; 1 Chronicles 21:15; Jeremiah 21:18-19

Deuteronomy 13:1-10 verses about false prophets whose actions lead you from God. (You are to watch the fruit and try the spirits of all. A true prophet will not lead you away from Jesus Christ and Father God.)

Deuteronomy 18:17-22 Warning about not following a true prophet of God's words and other warning about speaking in God's Name when not called or in other god's names. Or even speaking presumptuously in His Name. Remember not all prophecies happen immediately when spoken. Most do not and God can change anything He so chooses whether we like it or not. I say again, "He is God, and we are not!" You will know them by their fruit. (Matthew 7:16-20)

Learn to test and try the spirts in Jesus Christ's Name. Read and listen to the Word of God so you will know when what's being spoken is His truth or not. Protect yourself with the weapons He has provided for us. Do not forget though, if you judge someone harshly, you will receive the same harsh judgment from Father God's hands. So make sure you are 100% sure that someone is a false prophet before you speak and then make sure it is the sweet Holy Spirit leading you and not your own flesh wanting to do so.

God bless.
Stay under the Blood of Jesus Christ always.

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Teaching On Why the Prophetic Doesn't Always Happen Or Changes 9-27-25
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I handwrite these out. I handwrite them out, even though I may record basically what they are, and I start writing them out, and it takes a lot of time. It takes a lot of time, but that's the way I've always been told to do it. When the enemy used to infiltrate my computer, they'd wipe things out. I would lose it. And then in addition, the PDFs have to be done. I handle all the websites. I handle, you know, it's all in God's time. All right. Now, Holy Spirit, lead me how You want me to say this. I submit to You. For those of you that are staying to listen, to try to catch me in something to use against me. I'm speaking in the authority of Jesus Christ. I bind You in Jesus Christ's Name. Holy Spirit, loose Your truth.

There are a lot of people that assume when you give a dream or word or vision, it's got to happen exactly like that, when a lot of times things are symbolic. Other times are clear cut and dry. Again, though, these things are given to reveal the enemy's plans, but also prayer can change things. There's two types of prophecy, really. Prophecy is still very much alive today and is part of God's Kingdom work. John 16:13 says how be it when He, the Spirit of Truth, the Holy Ghost Spirit, when He, the Spirit of Truth has come, He will guide you into all truth. Where He shall not speak of Himself, but whatsoever He shall hear that shall He speak and He will show you things to come. He is the Spirit of Truth.

There are two types of major prophecies. Prophecy is a word of God. Prophets are servants of God, called and appointed by God, to pass His message. Okay. Now people can give words, that’s not prophets, just being used like in a church setting, the Holy Spirit comes up and speaks or just occasionally gives a word. Then you have those in the office of a prophet. We're not going to go into that right now.

First, there's conditional prophecy. Conditional prophecy is when the prophecy's fulfillment is dependent on the compliance of those to whom the promise is made, with the condition on which it is given. A prophecy in which a prediction is affirmed upon a condition, like in Deuteronomy 28, blessings and cursings. If you do this, you get this. If you don't, you do this. That's called unconditional. Unconditional is a prophetic word, also a dream, vision, that can be changed by God through prayers that will also work through other people. I'll show you examples of that. One example, again, is Jonah. When he went to Nineveh, I'll give verses. And the word was Nineveh shall, “shall” is going to happen, be destroyed in 40 days. At that point, that was God's truth. This is a declaration. This is My judgment. This is going to happen just like I'm saying. But then the people repented, even the kings, and they put on sackcloth and ashes. And God repented, repented is what He used, but God had a change of heart, because He’s merciful and of love. He let them live, but they were destroyed later. His prophetic word, “You're going to be destroyed,” still came to pass at a later time, but grace and mercy was given because they repented and called upon God.

Unconditional prophecy. An unconditional prophecy is one in which there's no condition predicted. A prophecy from God that will come to pass exactly as prophesied, no matter what

humans do or kingdom of darkness. Jesus Christ was born of a virgin. Unconditional. He would die for our sins. Unconditional. Antichrist shall rise. Unconditional. Now the circumstances around it may be different than not what we assume, but these are unconditional prophecies. Jesus Christ is coming back on a white horse for the Battle of Armageddon. It's written… unconditional prophecy. Nineveh's going to be destroyed in 40 days. Conditional. Because it turned out, if you repent, I will be merciful. Even though He didn't say that at the point, we see the end result because He's moved by mercy and love.

Today, God is using many people, not only the prophets of young and old, have prophetic dreams, visions, and have words from Father God and or Jesus Christ, the Son, just as Joel 2:28-29, and Acts 2:7 speaks of us as in the last days. Young shall dream visions, and old shall dream dreams. Another thing, a lot of people think when you give a prophetic word or something like that, because it is to edify, supposed to edify the church within a church setting, that it's supposed to be good, not cause fear. It can cause fear when your life is not lined up with the Lord. If you're in a backsliding condition, and… it can cause you to repent. A lot of people today tend to think the prophetic should only be good messages, encouragement with words of hope. And if it is not, or if it causes them to be fearful, then it's not from Father God or Jesus Christ. It's from satan, the devil, they will say.

They will quote 1 Corinthians 14:3, which says, but he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort. Never realizing 1 Corinthians chapters 12 through 14 is concerning how prophecy, usually a prophetic utterance, should be given inside a church setting. This is different from those outside the church who are sharing the dreams, visions, and His words from Father God and Jesus Christ, His Son. Hebrews 11:7 says, "By faith, Noah being warned of God." Didn't you think it was kind of a little frightful at first? I'm going to flood this whole world. Noah built a boat. Hebrews 11:7, "By faith, Noah being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear…. Hebrews 11:7, "prepared an ark to the saving of his house by the which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness with this by faith." He was moved through fear to create it, but still trusting God. Out of fear what was to come he was preparing. He heard God's warning alarm and didn't reject it. This is the healthy fear God will instill in us, not the tormenting fear that has terror and is from our enemy satan, the devil.

Prophetic words, dreams, and visions can cause fear at times, fearful moments, but you don't have to stay in that fear. That's the difference. If it causes fear that runs deeper than what motivates you to react, whether it is to repent, seek God for confirmation, or begin in obedience to make preparations, then the first thing you need to be done is to ask why. Why is it causing you such a deep fear? Why is this prophetic word, dream, or vision causing me so much fear when I am a child of God and should be trusting Him for all my needs and safety? Is this word from someone with good fruits, according to the Word of God? Is it a false word? Watch the fruit of the person giving the dreams, words, and visions. Are they good or bad according to the Word of God? Matthew 7:16 says this about the fruit of a person. You shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles?

If you know a person who you can see the attributes and fruit of Jesus Christ and sweet Holy Ghost Spirit overflowing and operating freely in their lives, then this is good fruit. If you cannot see this, then this is bad fruit. They're not of God because satan, the devil, cannot cast out satan.

Satan cannot cast out Satan. A divided house will fall. Mark 3:22-26. And the scribes came down from Jerusalem said, He hath Beelzebul, and by the prince of the devils casteth He out devils…. Talking about Jesus Christ! That's why these words people throw at me don't bother me. He's our example. (Mark 3:22-26) And He called them unto Him and said unto them in parables, How can Satan cast out Satan? And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand. And if satan rise up against himself and be divided, he cannot stand but hath an end.

These Scriptures can help you determine someone's fruit and also the integrity of the prophetic dream, word, or vision that has been given. Remember, everything has to line up with the Word of God. You may very well find Father God taking a step back from you for your disobedience and allowing satan to give you a false peace, or the devil that settles in your heart before sudden destruction. The very destruction you were warned about and chose to ignore hits you full force. I'm sounding the warning right now this is very possible if you don't stay as close to Jesus Christ as you can in Him.

1 Thessalonians 5:3 For when they shall say peace and safety, then sudden destruction shall come upon them, as travail upon a woman with child, and they shall not escape.

Those who truly trust in Jesus Christ know that He will take care of us and if we were to perish, then just as 2 Corinthians 5:8 says, we are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord. And what it says in 1 John 2:25, and this is a promise that He hath promised us, even eternal life.

Amos 3:7-8
7 Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealeth His secrets unto His servants the prophets.
8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? The Lord God hath spoken, who can but prophesy?
If God gives you a warning, and you know it's from, definitely from Him, from Jesus Christ, then you must speak it. Ezekiel tells us what happens if we do not follow God's leading and give His word in due season.

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Ezekiel 3:17-21
[17] Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me.
[18] When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.
[19] Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.
[20] Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumbling-block before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die

in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.
[21] Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

So, there's many examples, good prophecy, Joel 2:25-28 examples, Isaiah 9:6-7; John 14:16-18; And there's evil prophecies, what we would call evil or ill intent, Hosea 13:16; Isaiah 13:15-18; Zechariah 14:2; Revelation 21:8; Jeremiah 19:9.

In the end, I will say that prophetic dreams, words, and visions, even teachings can be, are given to edify, but not in this. Scripturally when given it's to edify, exhort, admonish, and comfort. It is to bring a word of hope, or a word of warning and judgment, all out of love from our loving Father, God, and His Son, Jesus Christ. They may be for a nation, the church, or even an individual, whichever it may be, we as His children are not to fear the prophetic, but should always line it up to the Word of God, no matter if it's one single word, dream, or vision, or several.

If these things do cause fear, then search yourself and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal what is in your heart that would cause you to have it, but please do it without a made-up mind with your own preconceived ideas of what these things mean or don't mean. I say this because God doesn't speak any idle words, and in the end, whether you believe a word, dream, or vision, if it's truly from God, that will be revealed as time passes, His time. For some, His time is too late. The warnings have come true, all because you chose not to seek God for the full understanding of all He was saying, or because you've determined in your heart the prophetic had to be given in a certain way, or when you thought it had to come to pass, and it did not, then it was false. Jesus Christ, help us to wait on you, to seek out each matter patiently, and to be obedient in all You tell us to do, no matter how busy our lives are, or how hot the battle we're fighting, in Your sweet Name I pray and ask.

All right, in addition, I know this is a little long, again, will God give an exact date?

He can. 2 Kings 2:1; 3; 5; 9, this is about Elijah.

2 Kings 2:1 And it came to pass, when the LORD would take up Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha from Gilgal.

When it came to pass, when the Lord would take Elijah into heaven by a whirlwind… So this is the thing that they're waiting on, they know it's going to happen.

2 Kings 2:3 And the sons of the prophets that were at Bethel came forth to Elisha, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he said, Yea, I know it; hold ye your peace.

….Hold you your peace, so Elisha knew also, and the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho came to Elisha. Now, we have had the sons of the prophet at Bethel, now we have the sons of the

prophet at Jericho, so this is not an unpublicized event. God has made His intention known to more than just Elijah. He's not afraid to quote a date, guys.

2 Kings 2:5 And the sons of the prophets that were at Jericho came to Elisha, and said unto him, Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to day? And he answered, Yea, I know it; hold ye your peace.

2 Kings 2:9 And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.

We already spoke about Jonah. Here's another instance, Exodus 9:5-6. What about the plague that killed the cattle and beasts found in Exodus 9.5, where God gives the exact date of tomorrow? See, tomorrow can mean the exact tomorrow coming, as in the next day. It can mean a day in the future. It can mean a season, like a tomorrow season, like the new age of tomorrow.

Exodus 9:5-6
[5] And the Lord appointed a set time, saying, To morrow the Lord shall do this thing in the land.
[6] And the Lord did that thing on the morrow, and all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.

We have an example of 1 Samuel 10.1.7, which he gave today. I'm not going to read all this. Today, set an exact date, day of today as a date for all to occur and all the things that was to occur that did happen. 2 Kings 7:1, Elisha gave a word from the Lord in which Samaria's economy would be changed and he gave the day as tomorrow and it happened.

2 Kings 7:1 Then Elisha said, Hear ye the word of the LORD; Thus saith the LORD, To morrow about this time shall a measure of fine flour be sold for a shekel, and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria.

This is when they were in severe famine. The lepers went out to the army camp because they were all dying anyway, and found out that they were dead. They had scattered and so the next day things were abundant. This came to pass.

Malachi 3:6 For I am the Lord, I change not. Therefore your sons of Jacob are not consumed.

He's merciful and a God of love.

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday and today and forever.

John 10:30 I and my father are one.

And there are more verses. There's more dates. I had one recently given to me by one. Now, let's talk about this verse. Again, you're to try, test, and discern all this and line up with the wWord of God, pray about it, judge the fruit. This is the verses everybody likes to sling around.

Deuteronomy 18:21-22
[21] And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken?
[22] When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

Even when God's mercy is given, and He makes it known, people will throw that verse around. In the end, if you continue to watch, God's truth will be revealed one way or the other. How many people have been called false prophets or called someone else a false prophet because a word or dream or vision didn't come to pass as originally given or as it assumed to be? You don't have to answer that. God already knows who has and hasn't said it. He knows your heart. He knows my heart. He knows all hearts. It would be best if one keeps their mouth shut before signaling, slinging railing accusations of one of God's holy ones until you seek fully His truth in these matters. Out of the mouth, the abundance of the heart, the mouth speaketh. Death and life are in the power of the tongue. Are you assassinating a child of God that can say, Jesus Christ is my Lord before you fully seek these things out? People didn't forget we're all human. Those of us that can say, Jesus Christ is Lord, our Lord.

Do you not realize that the prophetic word given to Hezekiah, I've got it here, was an unconditional prophecy. Again, you've got unconditional prophecies, but this was an unconditional, conditional meaning the condition was you're going to die. Unconditional, you're going to die, but He changed the circumstances with it. This was given through Isaiah at the time it was given. Get your house in order, Hezekiah. This sickness is unto death, no ifs to this one. But because God is merciful and full of love and the fact that He is God, if He so chooses, He can change His heart at any given moment of time. Oh, and by the way, He did in this instance.

Now, again, I'm trying to do what the Lord wants me to point out. These things are given as warnings, His intent, exposing the enemy, but our prayers can affect the outcome because He's moved by love and He's moved by mercy. One can see the proof of this when He gave Hezekiah 15 more additional years. Now, this is in 2 Kings chapter 20. Here's my point. This is why God has been showing me and I feel led to share.

Why did God distinguish to Moses in Deuteronomy 18:22….if this thing follow not nor come to pass…. most people assume they generally mean the same thing. One should never assume anything, especially not when Jehovah God is involved. His ways are too high for us Isaiah 55:8-9 says.

Again, breaking down the verses, when a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, follow, means to go or come after a person or thing proceeding ahead, move or travel behind. To come to pass means, often indicate that what is happening is a result of a course of events, that what is happening is a course of events. Why is this important? When Isaiah gave the prophetic word to Hezekiah that he was going to die, his death was foretold, pronounced by Isaiah, the prophet by God for him to deliver, which he did. He gave the prophetic word. It was a true word from Jehovah God, Elohim in Heaven. At this moment in time, he had not allowed his compassion and mercy for Hezekiah's prayers to change His heart because He, God knew already what was best for all involved.

Romans 8:28 All things work together for good to those who love the Lord are called according to his purpose.

Remember, Manassas was going to be born in this additional time. Manassas was a wicked king, but in the end he repented. But Hezekiah, after hearing from Isaiah the prophet, he wouldn't be healed, cried out even more into God who was moved in His heart for his child. There was a change in God's heart toward Hezekiah's circumstances. The first given word from God, given through Isaiah, although it was a true word, had been changed to something that is different, yet still foretells the same end results. King Hezekiah shall die, but now at a later time, 15 years later. But God is still God. God can't lie, even though it looks like there was a lie there, that there was a change. It did not follow through as first given. But here we see now prophetic words are not always as cut and dry as people demand them to be, or they assume they should be.

This changing of God's heart is not His mind toward Hezekiah, but shows His great love for His child Hezekiah. He is still appointed to die 15 years later. The word God gave Isaiah was still true. It was a true word. It was a truth at that moment of time, given, nothing has changed. Isaiah, you're going to die. But the circumstances and timing surrounding it had now been altered. Even though God knew the end results beforehand of what would cost Judah and Israel, they would become divided after his son Manassas was born, then ruled in his stead. God still granted him the additional 15 years out of love. I want to point out the fact that this given word by God didn't transpire as it first came forth. So be careful when you sling these verses around. When the prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that it is the thing which the Lord had not spoken. It did not follow through as he first said, but it did come to pass, and that's the main thing spoken of, not everything surrounding it. You're going to die Hezekiah, but now it's 15 years later. I want to point out that the fact that this given word by God didn't transpire as it first came forth. This doesn't make it a false word. God cannot lie. It means when you don't fully understand the magnitude of God's ways and His unconditional love for us, this makes it look like Isaiah is a false prophet, Nowadays, people would call him a false prophet. He had given a word that changed. No, no, it did not. Actually the first word foretelling he was to die did come to pass when Hezekiah passed away 15 years later, when his allotted time was up.

Okay. I asked the Lord Jesus Christ about this. This was during the first of my ministry because things don't always come to pass as we assume they will be and before I even understood when He talked about today, tomorrow, it could be the very day, or it could be a specific day He's talking about. Day can mean many days to Him, all these things. I was not one that studied the prophetic until, you know, and I don't study the prophetic. I do study the Word of God, but everybody else is prophetic. No, I say, stick with Jesus Christ. I'm going to hear from Him sometimes. I want to hear from Lord Jesus Christ. I don't want to have to face everybody else's assumptions or if they have a word, but then they say, I think it's this. I don't need that. I want to get it straight from Jesus Christ and Father God. But I did ask God about this in the beginning, about hearing accusations hurled my way in time and time again. It used to bother me, and guys, it really doesn't bother me anymore. I know to whom I belong, and I have been through enough to see these things come to pass. And there's a lot of people speaking up, ‘I don't want to see the prophetic fulfilled by you pulling up articles from the past, things like this.’ Well, things don't always happen immediately and a lot of them will say, ‘When God gives a word, it's going to be

displayed. No, the greatest prophecy in my eyes, it's one of the greatest, ever written about was Jesus Christ's birth, coming to this earth as both God and man, by a virgin. When he was born, it was not publicized all over the whole world. Mary and Joseph knew it, the shepherds and the wise men that saw the star. That's pretty much it. No big, great announcement. And Herod. Let's not forget Herod, he knew that.

So those that think like that, you're in error. Please pray about this, try to discern it. I'm not saying that harshly, I'm saying that in love. God's not looking for the, 'What is the word? All the, in the Name of Jesus Christ, Holy Spirit, what's the word? All the fame and all the explosiveness. He will have his prophetic… being done in the background until that moment of explosion, that moment of, and you look back and see, oh, it was real. It's amazing. So I can ask God about this after hearing these accusations hurled my way time and time again. It used to bother me, but not anymore. I know who I belong, Jesus Christ, and I'm great in this knowledge. He, in His love, replied to me. He said, "If I being God can change My own prophetic word given from it following and happening at one time, for it to come to pass at another time, a later time, then what is it to man if I choose to do so again, for I am God?" That was His word to me. Then he gave me Ecclesiastes 1:9; & 3:15. So I'm good. If someone steps out and speaks words of untruth in Father God and Jesus Christ's Name with this'lie'word and such like not given to them by God or His Son, Jesus Christ, then they would rightly earn the title of false prophet. Please make sure that enough time has passed and/or you have sought God earnestly in Jesus Christ's Name for the truth of this matter. You've tested and tried the word or whatever was given. You lined it up with the Word of God by studying, praying in Jesus Christ's Name, discerning it to know if it was real or not.

If a prophetic word has not occurred yet, it may very well be because there has been some form of change or it isn't time yet for it to occur. If it is changed and it's a true word given, then it has been by God Almighty who has changed it. It can be dates, circumstances, people and/or foretold events. If this is the case and at some point the truth will be revealed, some part of it's still going to come out. If you call this person who delivered the message from God a false prophet and they are not, then realize this, you have just attacked God's anointed. Those who have accepted Jesus Christ into their hearts in addition to the prophets….Touch not my anointed and do my prophets no harm. Psalms 105:15. The anointed, those who have accepted Jesus Christ into their heart as Lord and Savior and prophets, they're still the anointed. It is the Holy Spirit that's the anointing. This is a very dangerous thing to do to anyone according to the Holy Word of God and Father God does not take kindly to this.

True words, dreams and visions given to someone from Father God or Jesus Christ His Son that have spoken in Jesus Christ's Name may not always come to pass as we understand or assume they should. God's timing is different from ours. It just might be that it has not come to pass yet on God's time clock, but it will sometime if it's truly from Heaven and not a false word, dream or vision, or if He stepped in and altered the how or when it is to occur as He's done before as written in His Word. And again, we've seen this through Amos. There's also when Abraham, we see that God came, God came to speak to Abraham about Lot about Sodom and Gomorrah. And even though He said, I'm going to destroy it, Abraham through prayer and through petitioning was able to say, get it down to if you can find 10 righteous men, then spare it. God said He

would, but He couldn't find 10, you know? And so again, God was willing to change if He did a search again and found 10 righteous people.

Okay. In a nutshell, just because something doesn't occur or come to pass as when you suppose, or assume it would, doesn't mean it's a false word, dream or vision, such alike. It could be a prophetic word in waiting or even a word that God has changed Himself. You need to take this to prayer.

Here is a list of verses where God changed His prophetic word.

Amos chapter 7; Jonah chapter 3; Genesis 18:16-31; 1 Corinthians 21:15; Jeremiah 26:18-19; Deuteronomy 13:1-10 and again, 2 Kings 20 was about Hezekiah.

Okay. Verse about false prophets whose actions lead you from God. That's another thing you can know if they're, they're leading you away from God in any way, they might speak truth, truth, truth, and then false, then truth again. Truth is Jesus Christ is the only way to Heaven. Jesus Christ is the only way to Father God. Jesus Christ is the only one whose Blood can redeem and save you. Jesus Christ was the only perfect sacrifice for our sins, for our iniquities to be washed clean. You are to watch the fruit and try the spirits of all. A true prophet will not lead you away from Jesus Christ and Father God.

Here are the verses about the false prophets.
Deuteronomy 18:17-22
[17] And the Lord said unto me, They have well spoken that which they have spoken.
[18] I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.
[19] And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak in my name, I will require it of him.
[20] But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.
[21] And if thou say in thine heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken?
[22] When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.

Again, the way it follows, the way it happens. So again, that can change, but still come to pass. So these verses of warning about not following a true prophet of God's word and other warnings about speaking in God's Name, when not called or in other gods' names, or even speaking presumptuously in His Name, remember, not all prophecies happen immediately when spoken. Most do not, and God can change anything He so chooses, whether we like it or not. I say again, He is God and we are not. You will know them by their fruit, (Matthew 7:16-20.) Learn to test, try, discern, prove all things. (1 Thessalonians 5:21; 1 John 4:1)Try the spirits in Jesus Christ's name. Read and listen to the Word of God, so you will know when what's being spoken is true or not. Protect yourself with the weapons He has provided for us. Do not forget though, if you judge someone harshly, you will receive that same harsh judgment from God's hands. So make sure

you're a hundred percent sure that someone is a false prophet before you speak against them. And then make sure it is the sweet Holy Spirit leading you and not your flesh wanting to do so.

Again, because if they're a true child of God speaking a word, it is through the Holy Ghost Spirit and you're speaking against Him. Take all this to Jesus Christ in prayer, try, test, and discern it. This is a My Lovely Jesus Ministry. My name is Vicki Goforth Parnell. God bless. Stay under the Blood of Jesus Christ always.

The Battlefield is the Mind. Who Are You Listening To? 3-9-26

Vicki Goforth Parnell

For the glory of Father God in Heaven and my brothers & sisters in Jesus Christ.

For those of you who have been battling spiritually with the devil whispering in your ears. speaking lies and truth with deception, I ask you this.Why? Why let him? Why allow the kingdom of darkness with their demons and devils, their woohoo wahoo witchcraft garage to take a hold on your life? Why listen to their stinky?

Do you not realize that when you allow yourself to listen to the enemy you have also allowed yourself to become a willing participant to the conversation they just started with you? What this means in the spiritual laws for this earth created in Heaven is you have formed an agreement with the kingdom of darkness, which gives them a legal right to continue to attack you.

I ask again why? When you have been given all power over lu lu…lucifer and the whole stinking kingdom of darkness. Every battle begins in the mind. This is where as good soldiers, warriors in the Lord Jesus Christ we are told to tear down all strongholds. We are told to cast down all vain imaginations and every high thing that exalts itself…lifts itself up against the knowledge of God. Understand this, part of the knowledge of God given His children is the Word of God. So cast down everything that is contrary to the Holy, Mighty Word of God. Think of what's pure and lovely and let this mind of Christ be in you.

Philippians 2:5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

Ephesians 4:23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

1 Corinthians 2: 16 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ.

Romans 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Philippians 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.

How do you defeat the enemy in this battle field? How do you do this?

1. Repent and break any agreements with the kingdom of darkness you have made knowingly or unknowingly in the powerful Name of Jesus Christ.

   1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Proverbs 26:2 As the bird by wandering, as the swallow by flying, so the curse causeless shall not come.

2. Don't listen, even when the enemy is persistent. Keep rebuking and resisting Him. If you have bound the enemy and it appears he is still there, then this means you either have an agreement with him and/or the enemy has sent more than one demon to attack you with the same thoughts. Lu lu always sends them out in groups of 2 or more. An agreement or such like is a stronghold being built or has already been built in your life.

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

   Ephesians 4:27 Neither give place to the devil.

3. Begin tearing down the strongholds being formed or that have been formed against you already. Take every thought captive if it's from the enemy and bind it. Bind any thoughts, which are how the attacks are being made in your mind through demons sent out by witchcraft and such like. Understand… These attacks can also include manipulations of sound smell and such like to trigger the thoughts. After binding the demons, cancel any assignments and cut any cords that may hold them to the attack such as charms and such like then cast them into the abyss in everlasting chains. I usually then ask for them to be held there until the time they are thrown into the lake of fire and with grievous torments and heavy burdens but according to Father God's perfect will. All done in the infallible, All-powerful Name of Jesus Christ, Yeshua Ha' Mashiach.

   Philippians 2:9-11
   9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:
   10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;
   11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

   Matthew 18:18 Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

   Psalms 129:4 The LORD is righteous: he hath cut asunder the cords of the wicked.

   Psalms 107:14 He brought them out of darkness and the shadow of death, and brake their bands in sunder.

   2 Corinthians 10:4-5
   4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
   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;

Jude 6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

4. Next, bind whatever evil spirit or spirits that are behind the attacks just sent out so that they cannot send out such like attacks again of this type of attack directly, indirectly or randomly in all Father God"s knowledge and His existence. In addition, take the attacks (thoughts, smells and such like…all things used in the attack and bind them to the abyss too. Then bind them and lock them away forever in the abyss with the kingdom keys of Jesus Christ, of Heaven. How are we able to do this? Because Jesus Christ has all power and has given this power through His Name, Blood and His Holy Word to us so that we through Him have all power over the kingdom of darkness. This is the spiritual law inside this created firmament because God our Creator is a spirit. So spiritual law is always before and above anything inside the created firmament.

   Luke 10:19 Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

   Matthew 16:19 And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

   Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Remember to cover yourself before entering into any form of spiritual warfare. Pray, decree and ask in Jesus Christ's Name. Don't forget to pray that there will not be allowed any retaliation from the kingdom of darkness in any way known to Father God and in all His existence because who the Son set free is free indeed. This lines up with the Holy Powerful Word of God. Then bind the kingdom of darkness from doing so but according to Father God's perfect will on earth as it is in Heaven.

Matthew 6:10 Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

John 14:13-14
13 And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
14 If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.

Job 22:28 Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways.
Psalms 144:1 Blessed be the LORD my strength which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:

John 8:32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

John 8:36 Whom the Son sets free, is free indeed.

A true believer of Jesus Christ who calls Him the Lord of their life needs to walk in faith without doubting, and in the reassurance of the power of the Word of God. When you do, then know that all of Heaven will pay attention and be on standby and all the devils and demons will tremble at the power of your God that lives inside you (James 2:19) when you operate fully in the authority of Jesus Christ, Yeshua Ha' Mashiach's Name. Father God in Heaven shall surely be honorbound to back up what you do, when you utilize it in faith the power of the truth of His Word, because He is truth. His Word cannot be broken and He is truth. No lies or deception can ever be found in Him because….He is holy, so holy!

Isaiah 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.

John 10:35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

Psalms 119:160 Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.

Proverbs 30:5 Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

Matthew 17:20 And Jesus said unto them, Because of your unbelief: for verily I say unto you, If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

James 1:5-8
5 If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.
6 But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.
7 For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.
8 A double minded man is unstable in all his ways.

Isaiah 54:17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

Numbers 23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Titus 1:2 In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

Hebrews 6:18 That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:

The Breastplate of Righteousness 6-3-25

The breastplate of righteousness is what shields the heart. A holy living is one of the greatest defense a child of God can have and is easy to possess. Because it is His righteousness we receive when we accept Jesus Christ into our hearts as our Lord. It's within the heart where man's true thoughts can originate and is made evident by the words he speaks.

Matthew 12:34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Jeremiah 17:9 -10
9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

10 I the Lord search the heart, I try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings.

Luke 6:45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

1 Samuel 16:7 But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart.

When we accept Jesus Christ into our hearts He gives us a new heart. He turns our once heart of Stone into one of flesh.

Ezekiel 36:26 A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.

Many times you'll read in the Word of God how the heart and mind both are connected to your thoughts and even your spirit. We are created as spirit beings that are encased with a fleshly body. It is our fleshly heart that our spirit is connected to with a silver cord of life and our souls are connected to the spirit. Our hearts and minds are directly linked together. This is why in my understanding in the Word of God at times each are referenced as the heart of man.

Ecclesiastes 12:6-7
6 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern.

7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

These verses shows us a connection between the silver cord and death for those that would like to know where that's at in the Word of God.

The mind of man, his brain contains a spirit mind and the soul. The soul's mind. It is the spirit mind that our instincts of self-preservation are instilled in us. While the soul's mind is where our intelligence and decision making resides. It is here where we make the choice accept Jesus Christ into our hearts and have our relationship restored with Father God once again. So now we understand why at times they are written and mentioned to me the same thing although they appear to be separate.

Now back to the breastplate of righteousness. It is the second piece of our Armor of God that we are told to put on. Ephesians 6:10- 18 is where our armor is found in one of several places in the Word of God. Let me point out something to you. In verse 11 it says, "Put on the whole Armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the walls of the devil." First it tells us we have to put it on. If something has to be put on, it means you can also be taken off or removed. This is done when you sin and it causes defilement. Next Paul tells us to put on the whole armor meaning all the pieces so it's apparent you can have some of the pieces of the Armor of God on but not all of them. This leaves you exposed and open to attacks from the enemies fiery darts.

The breastplate of righteousness is a shield, a defense for the heart that is directly connected to man's thoughts. When a person accepts Jesus Christ into their hearts He comes in and makes them into a new creation.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Like our new mind the mind of Christ we receive we have to keep and protect our heart. David prayed in Psalms 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. When you study this passage with history this was one of his prayers he prayed after he sinned by laying with Bathsheba, then had her husband Uriah killed and took her as his wife. He knew he has sinned in his heart and asked God forgive him, which He did. Therefore we must guard our heart from sin.

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

A child of God is supposed to have a good heart which means we have a love for Father God, Jesus Christ, the Word of God, other people, and a desire to live holy, righteous and obedient lives before Him. We are told to, " Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, with all thy soul, with all that mind, and with all thy strength in Mark 12:30.

In this first we have our fleshly heart, our soul which is our soul's mind, and our mind which refers to our spirit mind. Please try, test, discern, and pray about all this in Jesus Christ's Name.

Righteousness. What is it? According to the Word of God it refers to a state of moral and spiritual uprightness. A condition of being in accordance with Father God's law and His holy standards. Righteousness encompasses both a person's inner character and outward actions, reflecting a commitment to obedience and faithfulness to Father God through Jesus Christ. Righteousness is not earned through our human effort, but is primarily bestowed as a gift from

Father God through Jesus Christ and our faith in Him. The worldly definition of righteousness is the quality of being morally right or justifiable.

When we accept Jesus Christ into our hearts as the Lord we are clothed with the robe of righteousness.

Isaiah 61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

But like the new mind, the mind of Christ we receive when we have accepted Jesus Christ as our Lord we have to protect our now clean heart. This is done by leaving a clean, righteous, holy life through Jesus Christ. The breastplate is also called the breastplate of faith and love and the helmet of salvation also called the hope of salvation in 1st Thessalonians 5:8.

In Isaiah 59:17 it is another place in the Word of God where it's referred to as the breastplate of righteousness.

The Armor of God is also called the armor of light in Romans 13:12.

These verses show us how each piece of the Armor of God is intertwined with each other. For the breastplate of righteousness to be fully effect if it takes making a choice and taking the stand to live a holy life with Jesus Christ and sweet Holy Ghost Spirit's help. We can't do it on our own but through Jesus Christ we can do all things.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

We are instructed in the word of God to do this already.

Romans 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.

How do we keep our breastplate of righteousness on? Here are a few examples of how to do so with Jesus Christ's help.

1. Renew our minds and keep them pure by casting down every vain imagination and every high thing that exalted itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ as found in 2nd Corinthians 10:5.

Romans 2:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Hebrews 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?

These thoughts from the enemy are sent with demons on assignment. Find the demons according to Matthew 18:18 in everlasting change June 6th, cast them down into the abyss, and cancel all assignments in Jesus Christ's Name. As a child of God you have this authority in Jesus Christ Name.

2. Be quick to repent when Holy Spirit convicts you of a wrong that you have done.

Psalms 51: 1-2

1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.

2 Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.

1 John 1:6-10

6 If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

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

8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

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

10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

3. We are instructed to keep ourselves clean from the world which will also keep our breastplate of righteousness in place.

James 4:8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

Isaiah 1:16 Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;

2 Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Here we see the Word of God is instructing us to live clean holy lives. In Isaiah 1:16 God Himself is telling us to quit doing the things that are unclean and evil. Quit sinning. Put away anything that has become an idol of our heart. This means don't listen, read, or participate in worldly things or things laced with deception. Don't speak and take on the actions of the world when you're called to come out of the world and be a separate people. Be ye holy for I am Holy He said in 1 Peter.

1 Peter 1:13-16
13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

15 But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

16 Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.

2 Corinthians 6:16-18

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

4. Read the word of God, study it and obey it.

Psalms 119:9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

Psalms 119:105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Joshua 1:8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Philippians 2:14-16
14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:

15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

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

2 Timothy 3:16-17
16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

17 That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

5. By being obedient to the Lord Jesus Christ and the word of God we can maintain the life of Holiness and righteousness and thereby protect our hearts in Him.

1 Peter 1:14 As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:

James 1:22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments

1 Samuel 15:22 And Samuel said, Hath the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

Jeremiah 42:6 Whether it be good, or whether it be evil, we will obey the voice of the Lord our God, to whom we send thee; that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the Lord our God.

To be holy is to be righteous and is very much possible through Jesus Christ and the sweet Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 1:4-6
[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:

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

[6] To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.

We must always put God first in our lives and upon the altar of our hearts to maintain our breastplate of righteousness and even our mind of Christ place within us when we received salvation's gift through Jesus Christ.

The word of God contains within it any strong warnings for us. Such as what is found in Deuteronomy 8. but then again most people don't seek for full clarification of what these things mean. Let's look at Deuteronomy 8:18:19.

Deuteronomy 8:18-19

18 But thou shalt remember the Lord thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

19 And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the Lord thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish.

But let's not forget Isaiah 55:11.

Isaiah 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.

I want to point this out to possibly help you to understand how we can live holy and righteous through Jesus Christ. If we can realize Father God's words found written in the Word of God, even His commandments themselves are not only there for us to obey with the Holy Spirit's help but are commands of God to keep us in Him.

For example we are told thou shalt not steal. Father God is telling us not to steal but He's speaking this into existence as Isaiah 51:11 says to keep us in Him. He's sending out into existence his aid and strength. He gives these commands the written ones found in His holy Word, spoken into existence so His promises which are also commands at times can be working in us and keep us from sinning. This is how we're able to live a holy life. Our flesh and strength is weak so we can only do these things through Jesus Christ who gives us His strength to overcome.

Father God had already spoken so many things into existence to aid His children and those to come with so many of them being oblivious to them. Yet He has done these things because everything Father God and Jesus Christ does is motivated by love for God is love.

1 John 4:10-19

10 Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

12 No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.

13 Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.

14 And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.

15 Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

16 And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and he that dwelleth in love dwelleth in God, and God in him.

17 Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.

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.

19 We love him, because he first loved us.

The Comforter, Who is He?

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Who is the Holy Spirit and what do we know about Him?

My thought is that he is everything we need to draw us closer to our lovely Jesus Christ and to learn his holy and righteous ways, but also so much more. Here is what the Holy Scriptures tells us about the precious Holy Spirit, my friend:

We know that the Holy Spirit according to Genesis 1:1-2 was present at the time of creation because it states that the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

He is the Spirit of wisdom, understanding, of counsel, might, knowledge, truth, and the fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2, John 14:17, John 15:26).

He's our Comforter sent down from Heaven after Jesus Christ returned to Father God (John 15:26, John 16:7) and our teacher, bringing all things to our remembrance.

He is also known as the Holy Ghost and the Anointing (John 14:26, 1 Corinthians 2:13, 1 John 2:27).

The Holy Spirit is given freely by God the Father to all them that seek, that ask to receive Him into their lives (Luke 11:13).

Upon receiving or being baptized in Him, the Holy Spirit will give us other tongues (Acts 2:4) and power (Acts 1:8) and we will also become sealed with His Spirit (Ephesians 1:13).

He gives us peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17).

He is the ultimate gift giver of many, many gifts of the true believers of Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 12:4-11) such as the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, faith, the gift of healing, working of miracles, prophecy, discernment, divers kinds of tongues, and the interpretation of tongues! These things, these gifts cannot be received by natural man (1 Corinthians 2:14).

He also intercedes for us when we pray by making intercession for us with groanings that cannot be uttered and helps with our infirmities (Romans 8:26).

The Holy Spirit loves us (Romans 15:30), leads us (Romans 8:14, Galatians 5:18), resides in us (1 Corinthians 3:16-17, Ephesians 2:21-22, 1 Corinthians 6:19), convicts us (John 16:7-11), guides and shows us things to come (John 16:13).

He is omnipresent (Psalms 139:7-14) and produces within us the fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-25).

He is also the third divine person of the divine Godhead (2 Corinthians 13:14, Matthew 28:19), called God (Acts 5:3-4), and the Spirit of the Lord (2 Corinthians 3:17, 1 Peter 1:11).

The Holy Spirit gives spiritual enlightenment (1 Corinthians 2:7-13), and changes us into the

image of Christ (2 Corinthians 3:18), distributing God's love in our hearts (Romans 5:5), and abides with us forever (John 14:16).

To be born again, to receive Jesus into your heart, you must be born through the Spirit (John 3:6-8) for no man can call Jesus Lord but by Him (1 Corinthian 12:3). It is also this same Holy Spirit that bears witness that we are the children of God (Romans 8:16, Hebrews 2:4, Hebrews 10:15). The Holy Spirit is He that moved men to write the holy scriptures, God's word (2 Peter 1:21, 2 Timothy 3:16), and He, Himself is called the Spirit of Life (Romans 8:2).

He is sensitive and can be grieved (Ephesians 4:30).

He is holy and blasphemy against Him shall not be forgiven (Matthew 12:31-32)!

The Holy Spirit is all this and more, so very much more and with Him we never, ever have to stand alone again for every battle, every storm we face in life, His Spirit will be present within us! So, my friend, if you have Him living inside of you, cherish Him, cherish Him greatly and if you do not, then seek Him. Seek Him diligently and He will be found!

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Genesis 1:1-2
Isaiah 11:2
John 14:17
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Matthew 2:31-32
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The Overcomer In Jesus Christ

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1 John 5:4–5
4. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.
5. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

Overcomers are followers of Christ who successfully resist the power and temptation of the world's system. An overcomer is not sinless, meaning they repent often if they fall and hold fast to faith in Jesus Christ until the end. The overcomer does not turn away when times get difficult or become an apostate but knows to continually search their heart and to pray without ceasing to God, our Heavenly Father or His Son Jesus Christ in His Name.

Overcoming requires complete dependence upon Father God and Jesus Christ with sweet Holy Spirit's help for direction, purpose, fulfillment, and strength to follow His plan for our lives

Proverbs 3:5–6
5.Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.
6. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.;
2 Corinthians 12:9 And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

The Greek word most often translated "overcomer" stems from the word NIKAO which, according to Strong's Concordance, means "to overpower," "to overcome," or "to be victorious." The verb implies a battle."

The Bible teaches Christians to recognize that the world is a battleground, not a playground. God does not leave us defenseless. In Ephesians we are given a description of the armor of God that has been provided for and is available to all believers of Jesus Christ who call Him their Lord.

Ephesians 6:11-18
11 Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.
12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
13 Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
14 Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;
15 And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;
16 Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.
17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:
18 Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;

Sometimes all it takes to overcome temptation is to stand firm and refuse to be dragged into it because Father God through Jesus Christ always provides us a way out. If you want to be an overcomer in Jesus Christ you need to study and read His Holy Word to know these things of promise that've been given to us out of love.

James 4:7 Resist the devil and he will flee from you.

1 Corinthians 10:13-14
13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.
14 Wherefore, my dearly beloved, flee from idolatry.

An overcomer is one who resists sin no matter what lures Satan…lucifer or their whole kingdom uses.

So stand fast to that which is good. (1 Thessalonians 5:21) Hold firm to your faith and belief in Jesus Christ, our blessed Redeemer and remember what Romans 8: 31-39 says. Then hold to its many promises with unwavering faith (Hebrews 10:23; James 1:6) for we are overcomers through the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ and through the word of our testimonies:

Romans 8:31-39
31 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?
32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?
33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.
34 Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.
35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
36 As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.
37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.
38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, 39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Remember always it's in His strength and name that we can do all things.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Please try, test and discern this with prayer in Jesus Christ's Name.

The Price Jesus Christ Paid For Us That Should Be Remembered During Communion

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It is a real possibility that Jesus Christ may have suffered more physical pain in His final hours on Earth than any other person in history. The Word of God reveals to us that Jesus Christ, was God in the flesh. In Luke 9:28-31 we are given the account during the transfiguration when Moses and Elias (Elijah) appeared with Him. It says in verse 31, "and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem." So, He knew in advance what He was going to suffer before they happened.

John 18:4 Jesus therefore, knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and said unto them, Whom seek ye?

(Other Related: Matthew 26:36-42; Mark 14:34-37; Luke 22:39-44)

***This would cause His fleshly part such distress. The battle and struggle He endured in His mind is obvious. As it is written, just before His arrest, in Luke 22:24 And being in an 'agony' he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground. This has been proven to be a rare phenomena called "hematidrosis". It can occur when a person is under extreme stress in which the small capillaries surrounding the sweat glands burst. This results in blood mixed with sweat pouring out of the sweat glands. This was only the start of what price our lovely Jesus Christ paid for us. He was betrayed in the garden by Judas with a kiss as found written in:

Matthew 26:47-49
47 And while he yet spake, lo, Judas, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great multitude with swords and staves, from the chief priests and elders of the people.
48 Now he that betrayed him gave them a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he: hold him fast.
49 And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and kissed him.

(Other Related: Mark 14:44-45; Luke 22:47-48)

***Then He was betrayed again in the garden, arrested, and deserted by the disciples. Then betrayed by Peter again.

Matthew 26:56-57
56 But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled.
57 And they that had laid hold on Jesus led him away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled.

(Other related: Mark 14:46-50; Luke 22:52-62; John 18:1-27)

***In John 18:22-24 it's written that He was taken to Annas the High Priest's house, where He was struck in the face by an officer of the High Priest. From there He was taken bound to Caiaphas shortly afterwards. Both times these would be considered "mock" trials, because they were really trying to find a fault or reason that they could put Him to death as Matthew 26:59-66 says.

59 Now the chief priests, and elders, and all the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put him to death;
60 But found none: yea, though many false witnesses came, yet found they none. At the last came two false witnesses,
61 And said, This fellow said, I am able to destroy the temple of God, and to build it in three days.
62 And the high priest arose, and said unto him, Answerest thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee?
63 But Jesus held his peace, And the high priest answered and said unto him, I adjure thee by the living God, that thou tell us whether thou be the Christ, the Son of God.
64 Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.
65 Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.
66 What think ye? They answered and said, He is guilty of death.

***During this time Jesus Christ was blindfolded, then beaten, ridiculed and spit upon by the men around Him.

Mark 14:65 And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy: and the servants did strike him with the palms of their hands.

(Other Related: Matthew 26:67-68; Luke 22:63-65)

***At some point during the times He was spit upon, according to the written Word His beard was plucked out. His face was marred and his form, meaning His body, more than any other.

Isaiah 50:6 I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair: I hid not my face from shame and spitting.

Isaiah 52:14 As many were astonied at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:

***What was so significant about having His beard plucked out, is when you study the culture of His days, plucking the beard of a man was a profound act of humiliation and shame that symbolized for all to see, disgrace and loss of dignity. By Him allowing them to do all this to Him, shows a powerful image of Jesus Christ's love and His willingness to suffer for mankind whom He loved so much. We know it was during this time because of Isaiah's reference to Him being spit upon too, when His beard is plucked. This is why again, I say, when studying the Word of God, please search and pull all the verses from all locations in it, to get the full understanding, and not only a partial one.

John 18:28 Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of judgment: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled; but that they might eat the passover.

*** After this beating, He was sent to the hall of judgment to stand before Pontus Pilate, who questioned Him and then sent Him to Herod after finding out He was a Galilean'

Luke 23:6-11
6 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilean.
7 And as soon as he knew that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.
8 And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him.
9 Then he questioned with him in many words; but he answered him nothing.
10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused him.
11 And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate.

***Herod, along with his men, treated him with contempt, mocked Him, dressed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him back to Pilate

(Other Related: Matthew 27:1-2)

***It's written that Pilate questioned Him again, unable to find any fault in Him. A malefactor named Barabbas was released instead of Jesus Christ, and Pilate gave into the crowd's request by ordering Him to be scourged and crucified.

Matthew 27:22-26
22 Pilate saith unto them, What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ? They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.
23 And the governor said, Why, what evil hath he done? But they cried out the more, saying, Let him be crucified.

24 When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but that rather a tumult was made, he took water, and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person: see ye to it.
25 Then answered all the people, and said, His blood be on us, and on our children.
26 Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.

(Other Related: Mark 15:6-15; Luke 23:23-25; John 19:15-16).

***Before being led to the crucifixion site, Pilate ordered the scourging.

Mark 15:15 And so Pilate, willing to content the people, released Barabbas unto them, and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified.

(Other Related: Matthew 27:26; John 19:1)

***Even though many have studied the scourging of Jesus Christ through Bible History, we still cannot grasp the cruelty and how horrific of an ordeal this was for Jesus Christ, because although He was God, He was still in a man's fleshly body experiencing for us, all these events. It was such a horrible action that in Roman law they would not allow a Roman citizen to endure it. We know this from:

Acts 22:24-29
24 The chief captain commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that he should be examined by scourging; that he might know wherefore they cried so against him.
25 And as they bound him with thongs, Paul said unto the centurion that stood by, Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is a Roman, and uncondemned?
26 When the centurion heard that, he went and told the chief captain, saying, Take heed what thou doest: for this man is a Roman.
27 Then the chief captain came, and said unto him, Tell me, art thou a Roman? He said, Yea.
28 And the chief captain answered, With a great sum obtained I this freedom. And Paul said, But I was free born.
29 Then straightway they departed from him which should have examined him: and the chief captain also was afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and because he had bound him.

***Lord willing, I will try to explain what I have learned in my research and studies through various sources. Usually the choice of weapon during Jesus Christ's time by the Romans was a flagrum (or flagellum). I have heard some refer to it as a cat-o-nine tails. The flagrum was a short whip made of multiple leather thongs, often embedded with pieces of metal, bone, or glass. The design of the flagrum allowed it to dig into the flesh,

ripping and causing deep lacerations and significant trauma to the victim's body. It at times was used on the front and back of the victim's body, with the person being made to stretch their arms around a pillar, boulder or another large object, typically at a forward-leaning angle. The person's hands were then "bound with thongs." Acts 22:25 tells us this when they had intended to scourge Paul who was A Roman by birth. Their hands were bound tightly on the other side of the pillar or boulder so that their arms were stretched out and their back stretched taut. The victim was then whipped with the Roman flagellum that would tear into the body more and more with each successive lashing, ripping into the skin and the jagged pieces of bone or metal tearing it out. As the flogging progressed, muscles, vital organs, and even the spine could often be seen openly. Huge strips of skin would be hanging from the body. The scourging would shred the victim's back from the neck to the buttocks. Loss of blood would be evident. It wasn't uncommon for the victims of the Roman scourge to die from the ensuing blood loss and/or shock.

***In Deuteronomy 25:1-3 it's written that according to Jewish law, this beating had to be stopped after 40 lashes. However, the Jews made a tradition of 39 lashes just in case a mistake in counting was made. This is confirmed in 2 Corinthians 11:24 Of the Jews five times received I forty stripes save one. The Romans on the other hand, had no such law though, and Jesus Christ's stripes in His scourging may or may not have exceeded this limit. When the scouring was over in most cases, the person was untied and allowed to fall to the ground, often unconscious, sometimes dead, even before their crucifixion. Jesus Christ survived the scourging as both God and man, and the Word of God gives no account of Him losing consciousness. He was to know of what He was enduring so He would become our perfect High Priest. At this time the person would normally be reclothed as Jesus Christ was as we see the Romans stripping Him of His garments in these verses after the scourging and before they took Him to be crucified..

Matthew 27:26-30
26 Then released he Barabbas unto them: and when he had scourged Jesus, he delivered him to be crucified.
27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers.
28 And **they stripped him,** and put on him a scarlet robe.
29 And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!
30 And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.

***Most likely because of the torn and shredded, bleeding condition of His body, when the Romans removed His clothes, it was like tearing the flesh off His back again, as the drying blood adhered to His garments. They furthered His shame by placing a scarlet robe upon Him, and made a crown of thorns, placing it upon His head in mockery. In this mocking of our lovely Jesus Christ, Savior of the world, they once more began to spit

upon Him, and struck Him on the head with a reed, driving the crown of thorns into His head as the above passage of Scripture just described for us.

(Other Related: Mark 15:16-20; John 19:2-3).

***In my study and research I have found the thorns His crown was made of were extremely sharp to the touch, approximately 2 inches long. These thorns were forced down into His head causing much pain when they smote Him on the head with the reed. Since head wounds tend to bleed easily and profusely, Jesus Christ would have had His blood pouring down His face from these thorns. All for us. After this session of torture, degradation and beatings, once again the cruel soldiers stripped Him of His scarlet robe they had mockingly made Him wear as it says in Matthew 27:31, and replaced it with His own clothing. Again, this would cause the wounds on His body that the scarlet robe had stuck to, to now become freshly opened, and causing Him much pain as the garment was pulled from the dried areas of blood and flesh from where He had been scourged for us.

Matthew 27:31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.

***After surviving all this, our lovely Jesus Christ, was now going to endure the gruesome death by choice for us of the Roman crucifixion. According to the timeline information we can gather written in the Word of God of the accounts and details of all He had endured thus far, it can be determined that Jesus Christ hadn't slept in about 36 hours and had been walked back and forth for several miles between the High priests, Herod, and Pilate's locations in His weakened condition. He would be suffering from pain, dehydration, blood loss, lack of sleep, body weakness, and so much more we may never be aware of until we get to Heaven and learn all He really did for us out of love.

***For His crucifixion He would be made to carry His own cross to the crucifixion site at Golgotha. Most scholars and historians believe it likely that He didn't carry the full cross as it is often depicted in movies or traditions, but rather, He carried the patibulum. This is what we would call nowadays a crossbeam. In history around this time, the cross was usually made of a vertical beam which had been permanently secured in the ground, and the crossbeam would then be placed on top of this vertical one. This crossbeam could weigh anywhere from around 100-150 pounds, and was about the size of a railroad tie. The part it is believed Jesus Christ would have had to carry would be the horizontal beam, the crossbeam on his shoulders to the vertical beam already at the crucifixion site.

***According to the Word of God we are made aware of Jesus Christ's fleshly weakened condition. He was so weakened from His torturing at the hands of the Romans that He was not able to carry His cross the full way to the crucifixion site. In Luke 23:26, it reads, 'And as they led him away, they laid hold upon one Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.' We see in this verse the

Romans made Simon carry the cross for Jesus Christ, bearing record for all to recognize His already weakened condition even before He was crucified for us. What love!

Matthew 27:31-33
31 And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him.
32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to bear his cross.
33 And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,

(Other Related: Mark 15:21; Luke 23:26; John 19:16-17)

***The distance to the place of crucifixion known as Golgotha, the place of the skull found in Mark 15:22, was approximately 1,950 feet or 650 yards away, and was reached by a path called the Via Dolorosa which translates as, 'way of suffering'.

(Other Related: Matthew 27:33; John 19:17)

***By the time Jesus Christ had reached the crucifixion site, He most likely would have been in a critical state, bearing in His body what no mere mortal man could endure. At this point, His hands were nailed to the crossbeam. Another point that most scholars and historians agree upon is that "hands" really means "wrists." We know through accounts in history that crucifixion required the hands and feet of the person to be nailed to the cross, just like Jesus Christ's was. In my research and understanding, the nails which were more like spikes would vary and could be around 6 to 7 inches in length and were not nailed directly into palms of His, because the palms have no bones that would allow them to support the weight of Jesus Christ's body hanging on the cross. The nails would end up ripping and tearing through the flesh of the hands. The spiked nails were instead placed into the wrists, where the wrist bones were able to hold the weight of His body. The Romans had studied and perfected the technique of the crucifixion and knew exactly where in the wrist to drive the nails. This would be between the ulna and the radius bones in the wrist which would go directly into the median nerve, causing maximum pain, but also the needed strength with minimum blood loss.

***Once His arms were nailed to the crossbeam it would then be lifted up by the Roman soldiers to the top of the vertical standing beam of the cross, with Jesus Christ attached by the nails. At this point in time before His feet were nailed to the upright, vertical beam of the cross, the full weight of His body would be on His wrists where they were nailed to the crossbeam causing Him more excruciating pain. At this point it is where often the shoulders would become dislocated. I believe it did occur, because of what's written in the Word of God in Psalms 22:14 which reads, 'I am poured out like water, and all my bones are out of joint: my heart is like wax; it is melted in the midst of my bowels.' Next the Romans

would place Jesus Christ's feet, one on top of the other and then nailed His feet to the cross, keeping His knees bent. At times, the cross would have a small piece of wood, a platform so to speak near the feet that would allow the person being crucified. This would allow them to be able to push up the weight of their body by using this. This is because when someone is crucified, breathing was difficult because they could breathe in, but couldn't exhale. The only way to exhale was to push up with his feet on the platform, which would cause excruciating pain in his nailed feet. It would also cause where He had been scourged when lifting His body up and coming in contact with the wood of the cross tear into His wounded back and also reopen any wounds that had dried closed.

***Crucifixion is meant to be a slow, horrible, excruciating death. The archaic Latin word "excruciatus" meaning "to crucify" is where the word excruciating derived from. It could take hours for someone to die, or it could take days depending on how badly they were treated at the hands of the cruel Romans before they were crucified. In some instances a person would last for weeks, but not often in history. In addition, to the pain Jesus Christ was enduring from all the beatings, scourging, the plucking of His beard and so much more, most likely He would now also suffer from more severe dehydration which can cause cramps in the body's muscles and His lungs would slowly fill with fluid. Death usually came after a person could no longer push themselves up after lapsing into unconsciousness which would cause them to then suffocate. This is known as death by asphyxiation.

***When the Romans wanted a crucified person to die sooner, they would break their legs so they couldn't push themself up any longer to be able to exhale their breath. Death usually would occur a few minutes later. This was done to the two thieves that were crucified with Jesus Christ, but not to Him. He had already given up the ghost, meaning He had died without any bones being broken as they couldn't be since He is our Passover. Instead they pierced His side and blood and water came out, fulfilling more of the Written Word that will never fail to prove true, because it's Jesus Christ in the flesh.

John 19:30-37
30 When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.
31 The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day,) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.
32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.
33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs:
34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.

35 And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.
36 For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken.
37 And again another scripture saith, They shall look on him whom they pierced.

(Other related: Matthew 27:50; Psalms 34:20; Exodus 12:46)

***During the time Jesus Christ was on the cross for approximately 6 hours by the timeline of His time alive on the cross given to us in the book of Mark.

Mark 15:25 And it was the **third hour,** and they crucified him.

Mark 15:33-34
33 And when the **sixth hour** was come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour.
34 And at the **ninth hour** Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted, My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

Mark 15:37 And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost.

***Right before the time of His death, it's written in John 19:30, that Jesus Christ said, "It is finished." This meant that His work of atonement to pay for our sins was completed and He had accomplished all He needed to do for mankind out of His agape love for us. This does not bring into the rest of what occurred such as the 3 hours of darkness and the earthquake that followed.

(Other Related Verses in General: Psalms 22:12-18; John 20:27; John 1:1; 14; 14:6; Hebrews 9:24-26; 10:14)

***A breakdown of what Isaiah 53:5 means now that we understand what He went through for us.

Isaiah 53:5 But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

But he was wounded:
Bible definition of wounded: to be hurt; to be injured by violence

for our transgressions,
Bible definition of transgressions: The act of passing over or beyond any law or moral duty: the violation of a known law or principle of rectitude; breach of command; fault; offense; crime

It's the breaking of God's moral laws and commandments

he was bruised
Bible definition of bruised: Crushed: hurt or broken by a blunt or heavy instrument

for our iniquities:
Bible definition of iniquities (same as iniquity): Injustices, unrighteousness; a sin or crime; wickedness; any action of injustice; immoral or grossly; unfair behavior; unjust

***Note: Iniquities testify against us: Jeremiah 14:7 O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee.

the chastisement
Bible definition of chastisement: Correction; punishment; pain inflicted for punishment and correction, either by stripes or otherwise

of our peace was upon him;
Bible definition of peace: Freedom from agitation or disturbances by the passions (emotions); as from fear, terror, anger, anxiety or the like; quietness of mind; tranquility; calmness; quiet of conscience

and with his stripes
Bible definition of stripes: The weal (a red, swollen mark left on flesh by a blow or pressure) or long narrow mark discolored by a lash or a rod; a stroke made with a lash, whip, rod, strap or scourge affliction: punishment; sufferings

we are healed.
Bible definition of healed: Restored to a sound state; to be cured of a disease and wound and restored to soundness, or the state of the body in which the natural functions are regularly performed; as; to be heal the sick; to cure; to remove or subdue; as in healed of a disease; To cause cicatrize ((of a wound or defect in tissue) to close or be closed by scar formation; heal) as it is to be healed of a sore or wound; to restore to soundness; as to have healed a wounded limb; To restore purity; to remove feculence (sediments, dregs, feces, muddiness or foulness) or foreign matter (Any substance not belonging naturally in the place where found.); To cure moral disease and to restore soundness. (Example Hosea 4:6); To purify from corruption, redness, grievances, and restore to prosperity.

The Word of God & the 2 End Time Witnesses 7-26-26

A Compilation of accumulated studies with the sweet Holy Ghost Spirit's help.

FOR THE GLORY OF FATHER GOD & JESUS CHRIST

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#1. Does the Bible say who are the 2 end time witnesses?
No, the Word of God doesn't name them directly. The 2 end time witnesses/prophets are found in the Holy Bible in Zechariah 4 & Revelation 11:3-12 with most of the information being located in the book of Revelation.

Their identities are never given, nor does it say they are male and/or female. The most common beliefs are that the 2 witnesses are either Elijah and Enoch, or Elijah and Moses,or even possibly John who was given the book of Revelation although there are others out there as well. Moses has been considered a possibility because of the anointing the 2 end time witnesses/prophets shall operate in. That's what it is…the holy anointing through the Holy Spirit who is the anointing that's placed upon the 2 individuals will determine who the 2 end time witnesses are, nor people in general from the past or any other time era. Let's continue.

For many they believe since Elijah and Enoch were taken into Heaven without dying, that it has to be them.

Genesis 5:24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

1 Kings 2:11 And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.

As for John, for some it is because of these verses, in addition to the uncertainty in His death.

John 21:21-23
[21] Peter seeing him saith to Jesus, Lord, and what shall this man do?
[22] Jesus saith unto him, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me.
[23] Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: yet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee?

It is even suggested that John may have been taken up to Heaven without dying but there is no evidence showing the full proof of this or his death. That would make 3 people possibly who did not die.

The Scripture many quote to support their beliefs that the 2 witnesses has to one of these is:

Hebrews 9:27 And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment:

If we're all appointed with an appointment with death that can never be changed, then Enoch, Elijah and possibly John will have to return to earth after living in Heaven with a changed, glorified body, to have their earthly bodies returned so that they can die. The 2 witnesses would die at the appointed time by the antichrist, the beast's hands.

Revelation 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

This is faulty because we also have to consider God might have possibly taken more of His children to Heaven without them dying. Most people don't take into consideration that Father God in Heaven may have taken more people to Heaven without dying than what's recorded. One example recorded can be found in the Apocrypha which originally was part of the Holy Bible until men chose to remove it…Not God.

In 2 Esdras 8:19 which ends with this sentence. This is the beginning of the words of Esdras (Ezra) [Esdras is latin for Ezra] before he was taken up. Let's not forget, according to the Word of God Jesus Christ said that Scripture cannot be broken.

John 10:35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

If the Scripture cannot be broken then we must take into account the Bride of Christ who will be caught up to Jesus Christ in what many call the rapture and will still be alive. Their bodies will be changed like Jesus Christ's without dying a physical death.

1 Corinthians 15:51-52
51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

1 Thessalonians 4:14-18
14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.
15 For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.
16 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:
17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.
18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words.

Through these passages in the Word of God we see those who are caught up or raptured to meet Jesus Christ in the air are alive, not dead. God determines who lives or dies, so He can choose whether we keep an appointment with death or not. He's God, we are not!

Job 14:5 Seeing his days are determined, the number of his months are with thee, thou hast appointed his bounds that he cannot pass;

Hebrews 2:14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

Acts 17:25-26
[25] Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things;
[26] And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation;

Revelation 1:18 I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

#2. More on, 'Why do people believe Moses & Elijah are the 2 witnesses?'
Now let's go back a moment to those who believe the 2 witnesses have to be Elijah and Moses. One belief is because it was Moses and Elijah who appeared to Jesus Christ in the transfiguration. I have included all three accounts purposefully. When you read them, pay attention to Luke's account. In verse 31 he explains the purpose for Moses and Elijah appearing to Jesus Christ on earth was to speak to him about His upcoming death in Jerusalem

Transfiguration Verses:

Matthew 17:1-9
[1] And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,
[2] And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.
[3] And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.
[4] Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.
[5] While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.
[6] And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore afraid.
[7] And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid.
[8] And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.
[9] And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

Mark 9:2-8

[2] And after six days Jesus taketh with him Peter, and James, and John, and leadeth them up into an high mountain apart by themselves: and he was transfigured before them.
[3] And his raiment became shining, exceeding white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.
[4] And there appeared unto them Elias with Moses: and they were talking with Jesus.
[5] And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.
[6] For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.
[7] And there was a cloud that overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.
[8] And suddenly, when they had looked round about, they saw no man any more, save Jesus only with themselves.

Luke 9:28-36
[28] And it came to pass about an eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and James, and went up into a mountain to pray.
[29] And as he prayed, the fashion of his countenance was altered, and his raiment was white and glistering.
[30] And, behold, there talked with him two men, which were Moses and Elias:
[31] Who appeared in glory, and spake of his decease which he should accomplish at Jerusalem.
[32] But Peter and they that were with him were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.
[33] And it came to pass, as they departed from him, Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here: and let us make three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias: not knowing what he said.
[34] While he thus spake, there came a cloud, and overshadowed them: and they feared as they entered into the cloud.
[35] And there came a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is my beloved Son: hear him.
[36] And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone. And they kept it close, and told no man in those days any of those things which they had seen.

Again, one of the most prominent reasons for some is because of Revelation 11:5-6 which tells of the power, the anointing of God displayed in their lives through both of them. Let's first be clear as was discussed prior there aren't any separate anointings.

Revelation 11:5-6
[5] And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.
[6] These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

The Word of God says this also:

Ephesians 4:4-6
4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,

6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

What does this mean?
In 1 John 2:27 the Holy Spirit/Holy Ghost is also called the Anointing.

1 John 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

There is only one Spirit and one Anointing and it's through this one anointing that we each operate and utilize through the power of the Holy Ghost the gifts we are given for our callings. The 2 witnesses of the end times will utilize the same part of His anointing power that Moses and Elijah operated in and even more. It does not mean Moses, Elijah, Enoch or anyone else will return from Heaven to be the witnesses so they can die after having been given a glorified body in Heaven.

To summarize it, the 2 end time witnesses' names according to the Word of God are never given, although some say they are Zerubabel and Joshua.

#3. Are Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel the 2 witnesses?.

Key passages of Scripture concerning their roles in history and the symbolic meaning references are found in Haggai 1 & 2; Ezra 3; Zechariah 3:1-5; 6:9-14

The symbolic spiritual meaning of Joshua the High priest and Zerubbabel are in relation to Jesus Christ the coming Messiah.

1. The Book of Haggai

Haggai 1:14 And the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of hosts, their God,

So the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zerubbabel…and the spirit of Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest…" This highlights Joshua's God-ordained motivation in the temple's reconstruction.

Haggai 2:2 Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,

Haggai 2:2 again speaks to Joshua, emphasizing how God directly addressed him together with Zerubbabel, demonstrating divine endorsement for both the civil and priestly roles.

2. The Book of Zechariah

Zechariah 3:1-5

[1] And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.
[2] And the Lord said unto Satan, The Lord rebuke thee, O Satan; even the Lord that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?
[3] Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.
[4] And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.
[5] And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the Lord stood by.

These verses in Zechariah 3:1-5 recounts a vision in which Joshua stands before the Angel of the LORD while Satan accuses him. In that vision, Joshua's filthy garments are replaced with clean garments, symbolizing the cleansing of sin and renewed favor from God.

Zechariah 6:9-14
[9] And the word of the Lord came unto me, saying,
[10] Take of them of the captivity, even of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah, which are come from Babylon, and come thou the same day, and go into the house of Josiah the son of Zephaniah;
[11] Then take silver and gold, and make crowns, and set them upon the head of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest;
[12] And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the Lord of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name is The Branch; and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the Lord:
[13] Even he shall build the temple of the Lord; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.
[14] And the crowns shall be to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah, and to Hen the son of Zephaniah, for a memorial in the temple of the Lord.

Zechariah 6:9-14 describes a symbolic crowning of Joshua. While Zerubbabel was of the Davidic line, the crowning of the High Priest pointed to messianic expectations-unifying both the priestly and royal aspects in the future Messiah.

<u>3. The Book of Ezra</u>

Ezra 3:2 Then stood up Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brethren the priests, and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brethren, and builded the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God.

This verse of Ezra 3:2 names Jeshua (another form of 'Joshua') the son of Jozadak leading the people in rebuilding the altar. This passage provides a narrative setting where Joshua/Jeshua, as High Priest, oversaw sacrifices and restored proper worship from the earliest phase of returning to Jerusalem.

Zechariah's prophecies in chapter 6 about Joshua point to a coming figure who combines the offices of priest and king in one. Though Zerubbabel was the governor from David's line, the crowning of Joshua in Zechariah 6:11-13 provides an image of unified spiritual and royal authority that highlights God's promised Messiah. Thus, Joshua's story anticipates a greater redemption, offering hope that God will not only rebuild the temple but also bring true restoration through a future "Branch" (Zechariah 6:12).

Both of these men have already died. Their flesh has decomposed and their bodies returned to dust as the Word of God tells us they do. They have already had their appointment with death. The spirit departs, meaning the silver cord of life is fully cut, and their spirits, at God's appointed time, return to God. (This is why the enemy cannot raise the dead, because the spirits of those that die return to God. It is only through deception that the enemy will deceive people into thinking they have brought someone back from the dead.) It's the anointing, the Holy Spirit that Jesus Christ, the Branch made possible to send down to all who accepts Him as Lord that these two are representing and even what they were operating in when their spirits were stirred. This is my understanding from these combined verses.

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

Genesis 3:19 In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

Ecclesiastes 12:6-7
6 Or ever the silver cord be loosed, or the golden bowl be broken, or the pitcher be broken at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern. 7 Then shall the dust return to the earth as it was: and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.

Psalms 104:29-30
29 Thou hidest thy face, they are troubled: thou takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.
30 Thou sendest forth thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth.

Job 34:14-15
14 If he set his heart upon man, if he gather unto himself his spirit and his breath;
15 All flesh shall perish together, and man shall turn again unto dust.

Another fact is in the Word of God we find instances in the Old and New Testament of the dead being raised, and brought back to life. In all these instances it's concerning a person whose body is still residing on the earth (so not being translated/caught up) and it's always before their body has fully decayed and returned to the earth as dust. Except for the saints that rose when He was resurrected who appeared alive in Jerusalem.

The People raised from the dead in the Holy Bible in both the Old and New Testaments were always raised, brought back to life in a matter of days. Not weeks, months or years later. God doesn't change, nor does His Son Jesus Christ, it says Malachi 3: and Hebrews 13:8.

This is the pattern He and Jesus Christ operate in. Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel both have died, been buried and their bodies returned to dust. They have already past the point of accounts written in the Word of God of when Father God and Jesus Christ called the person's spirit of life back into their bodies. Jesus Christ and Father God do not change it says Malachi 3:6 & Hebrews 13:8. It's not beyond their power to recreate a body that has returned to dust, but according to the Word of God they have chosen not to do so.

The physical body has to be changed to be able to enter Heaven. We know this from the Word of God. Otherwise our bodies wouldn't have to be changed as we are told they would be. How many times is it written in the Word of God that once a person is glorified and part of Heaven that God changes their body back to a fleshly body that was cursed when Adam and Eve sinned to return to earth? Instead this is what the Word says about our fleshly bodies.

Philippians 3:20-21
20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:
21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

1 Corinthians 15:50-54
50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.
51 Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.
53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.
54 So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

John 11:23-25
23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.
24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.
25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
John 5:2 For as the Father raiseth up the dead, and quickeneth them; even so the Son quickeneth whom he will.

This eliminates Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel as the 2 end time witnesses because they have already died and their bodies returned to earth. The 2 end time Witnesses will die by the hands of the beast antichrist as Revelation 11:7 says they will. Here are those occurrences found inside the Scripture of Truth of the dead being raised.

Old Testament

Elijah:Widow's Son at Zarephath – *1 Kings 17:17–24*; Elisha: Shunammite's Son – *2 Kings 4:18–37*; Man Raised by Elisha's Bones – *2 Kings 13:20–21*

New Testament

Jesus: Widow's Son at Nain – *Luke 7:11–17;* Jesus: Jairus's Daughter – *Mark 5:21–43* (also in Matthew 9:18–26, Luke 8:40–56); Jesus: Lazarus of Bethany – *John 11:1–44* ; Peter: Tabitha (Dorcas) – *Acts 9:36–42;* Paul: Eutychus fell out window -*Acts 20:7–12*; Jesus raised from dead - *Matthew 28:1–10, Mark 16:1–7; Luke 24:1–49; John 20:1–29*

Here's what I believed happened to Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel.

Matthew 27:50-53

50 Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost. 51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;
52 And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,
53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

Many saints of God were seen walking around in the holy city after Jesus Christ was resurrected. These saints, in my understanding, are those He took with Him when He returned to Heaven after being resurrected. They make up the great cloud of witnesses written about in Hebrews 12:1. Since Joshua the High Priest and Zerubbabel were righteous men then they would most likely be included in those resurrected.

As far as the identity of the 2 end time witnesses we see they are whoever God calls them to be with the power of the anointing being utilized in them by the sweet Holy Spirit such were demonstrated by Moses and Elijah in their days. That's all it is.

Let's first be clear, there aren't any separate anointings. How do we know this? The Word of God says this:

Ephesians 4:4-6

4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,
6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

What does this mean? In 1 John 2:27 the Holy Spirit/Holy Ghost is also called the Anointing. I reiterate, there is only one Spirit and one Anointing and it's through this one anointing of the Holy Ghost Spirit that we each operate and utilize through the power of His gifts we are given for our callings. The 2 witnesses of the end times will utilize the same part of His anointing power that Moses and Elijah operated in and even more. To summarize it, the 2 end time witnesses' names according to the Word of God are never given. So they are whoever God calls them to be with the power of the anointing being utilized in them by the sweet Holy Spirit such were demonstrated by Moses and Elijah in their days. That's all it is.

#4. Has Other Prophets Operated in the Holy Spirit's Anointing like Moses or Elijah in the Word of God?

In 1 Kings 17:1; James 5:17; 1 Kings 18:41-42 we read how part of the anointing Elijah operated in was in fire and rain. Concerning Elijah and the rain, in these passages of the Word of God Elijah prayed there wouldn't be any rain for 3 years. In James we actually find out it was for 3 ½ years. Then when Elijah prayed once again in faith to God in heaven, it began to rain again. But Elijah is not the only one. Samuel, a righteous man anointed by God to be the judge of the people. He prayed and asked God to send rain which He did by sending both rain and thunder.

1 Samuel 12:18-19
18 So Samuel called unto the Lord; and the Lord sent thunder and rain that day: and all the people greatly feared the Lord and Samuel.
19 And all the people said unto Samuel, Pray for thy servants unto the Lord thy God, that we die not: for we have added unto all our sins this evil, to ask us a king.

In addition, Revelation 11:6 reveals to us that both of the 2 witnesses will operate in this part of the anointing that Elijah did. It is both of them and not just one. Therefore it rules out by this verse alone it was only Elijah who had these abilities in the Holy Spirit's anointing.

Revelation 11:6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

When we study the plagues of Egypt you will read how Aaron under Moses' instructions from God called forth some of the plagues too. Again showing it is the anointing and not just certain people alone who operate in these powers from Father God. It's through His Spirit.

Exodus 7:1-2
[1] And the Lord said unto Moses, See, I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and Aaron thy brother shall be thy prophet.
[2] Thou shalt speak all that I command thee: and Aaron thy brother shall speak unto Pharaoh, that he send the children of Israel out of his land.

Exodus 7:19-20
[19] And the Lord spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their pools of water, that they may become blood; and that there may be blood throughout all the land of Egypt, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of stone.
[20] And Moses and Aaron did so, as the Lord commanded; and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants; and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood.

Exodus 8:5-6
[5] And the Lord spake unto Moses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine hand with thy rod over the streams, over the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause frogs to come up upon the land of Egypt.

[6] And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and the frogs came up, and covered the land of Egypt.

Exodus 9:8-10
[8] And the Lord said unto Moses and unto Aaron, Take to you handfuls of ashes of the furnace, and let Moses sprinkle it toward the heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.
[9] And it shall become small dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be a boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.
[10] And they took ashes of the furnace, and stood before Pharaoh; and Moses sprinkled it up toward heaven; and it became a boil breaking forth with blains upon man, and upon beast.

Another point in the Word of God is that Elisha received a double portion of Elijah's spirit. This would be the Holy Spirit inside of Elijah he was referring to, yet the Word of God never speaks of him calling down fire as Elijah did. As far as water is concerned he made the bitter/poisoned waters sweet by casting salt into them. Both Elijah and Elisha raised the dead showing their power came from the same anointing through the Holy Spirit but they were operating in Him differently.

2 Kings 2:9-12 & 15
[9] And it came to pass, when they were gone over, that Elijah said unto Elisha, Ask what I shall do for thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee, let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me.
[10] And he said, Thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee, it shall be so unto thee; but if not, it shall not be so.
[11] And it came to pass, as they still went on, and talked, that, behold, there appeared a chariot of fire, and horses of fire, and parted them both asunder; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven.
[12] And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel, and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes, and rent them in two pieces.
[15] And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said, The spirit of Elijah doth rest on Elisha. And they came to meet him, and bowed themselves to the ground before him.

Kings 2:19-22
[19] And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I pray thee, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water is naught, and the ground barren.
[20] And he said, Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought it to him.
[21] And he went forth unto the spring of the waters, and cast the salt in there, and said, Thus saith the Lord, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land.
[22] So the waters were healed unto this day, according to the saying of Elisha which he spake.

But wait! Didn't Moses also make poisoned bitter waters sweet through the power of the Holy Spirit in His life too? I'm sure He did because it's one anointing, one Holy Spirit we all operate through.

Exodus 15:23-25
[23] And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah, for they were bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah.
[24] And the people murmured against Moses, saying, What shall we drink?
[25] And he cried unto the Lord; and the Lord shewed him a tree, which when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statute and an ordinance, and there he proved them,

Elijah:Widow's Son at Zarephath – *1 Kings 17:17–24*; Elisha: Shunammite's Son – *2 Kings 4:18–37*

Elijah operating in fire (**2 Kings 1:10-12; 1 Kings 18:38-46**)

What about the disciples and apostles who operated in the Holy Spirit's anointing and did the same thing as Jesus Christ? They healed the sick, raised the dead and cast out demons. What about believers today who operate in this same power of the anointing of the Holy Spirit?…..It's one Spirit, one Anointing distributed among the believers of Jesus Christ as He sees the need for.

Question #4 The 2 witnesses cannot be female because they're called prophets and not prophetesses, can they?

According to the Word of God the 2 witnesses can also be either male or female. We see this when the word study is done on the word 'prophets' in these passages of Scripture:

Revelation 11:10; 18.
10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.
18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.

In both these verses the word prophets is Strong's G4396. The definition of prophetes: a foreteller; prophet; an inspired speaker; An interpreter or spokesman for God; One whom through God speaks.

The same Strong's G4396 prophetes is also used throughout the New Testament including where both male and female prophets are being discussed. It's one word for both the word prophet and prophetess. Paul has used the word prophets instead of saying prophets and prophetesses while discussing the order to be maintained inside a church service setting or building so there wouldn't be any confusion. In addition when also talking about the different positions God has given to the church.

1 Corinthians 12:28-29

28 And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.
29 Are all apostles? are all prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?

1 Corinthians 14:29-33
29 Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge.
30 If any thing be revealed to another that sitteth by, let the first hold his peace.
31 For ye may all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.
32 And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.
33 For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints.

Ephesians 4:11-12
11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;
12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

****Here are a few other verses where Strong's G4396 is also used for the word prophet/prophets. You can see it's commonly used for both male and female.
Romans 1:2; 3:21; 11:3; James 5:10; 2 Peter 3:2; Revelation 10:7; Revelation 16:6.*****

We must never forget that in the kingdom of God there is no respect for persons with God according to His own Holy Word..

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

Galatians 3:28-29

28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

So yes, the 2 end time witnesses according to the Word of God can be either male or female.

With all this information found in the Word of God it is clear the 2 witnesses are never named. Nor are they brought back from the dead after their bodies have already decayed and turned to dust. Neither will those whose bodies have been changed and glorified and are already in heaven have their glorified body and eternal life stripped away and taken from them to return to earth to die again in a fleshly body. Their bodies have been changed for an eternity with Father God and Jesus Christ. The 2 witnesses/prophets will be filled with the anointing of God, the power given to them by God through the Holy Spirit as it is written in Revelation 11:3. Acts 1:8 also identifies that the believer of Jesus Christ's power is given through the Holy Ghost Spirit. Read it for yourself. God's ways are perfect and He will take the foolish things to confound the wise it says in 1 Corinthians 1:27.

Revelation 11:3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

Acts 1:8 But ye shall receive **power**, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

To summarize it, the 2 end time witnesses' names according to the Word of God are never given. So they are whoever God calls them to be with the power of the anointing being utilized in them by the sweet Holy Spirit such were demonstrated by Moses and Elijah in their days. They can be either male or female, or one of each, because there is only one God, one Lord, one Spirit, the Holy Ghost Spirit which is the one and same Anointing we operate in that Jesus Christ, Himself operated in once He was baptized.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7
4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.
5 And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.
6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.
7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

Now it's up to you as a Child of God to pray, try, test and discern this in Jesus Christ's Name. Then study it further with Holy Spirit, our Teacher's help.

John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

1 John 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

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

To Sin or Not to Sin…It is Your Choice
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1 Timothy 1:12-14
12 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;
13 Who was before a blasphemer, and a persecutor, and injurious: but I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.
14 And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

What does this verse mean? Even before Paul had accepted Jesus Christ as His Lord and was persecuting Christians God still showed him mercy because He knew what He would become in Him. We are all given a chance, a space to repent, to receive Jesus Christ at least once in our lifetime after we are born and of the age of accountability. (1 Timothy 1:15; Romans 5:6-9; 2 Peter 3:9; Revelation 2:21-23)

When we do things ignorantly that's actually sin and are participating in lucifer's, in satan's kingdom of darkness as a Christian (someone who has accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord) we are granted mercy out of God's love for us to repent. This is because the knowledge and truth of these things hasn't been revealed to us yet. When these connections and participation we have with the kingdom of darkness is revealed to us, that's when the sweet Holy Spirit will start moving on our hearts and convicting us of such things and to remove and separate these things from our godly lives.

Example: I used to wear makeup, perfume, jewelry and such like even as a Christian. I had the love of Jesus Christ in my heart and still called Him my Lord. But once I was made aware of the enemy's marine kingdom and that these things originated from there, I was convicted and moved by the Holy Spirit to refrain from participating in the use of the marine kingdom's products but it had to be my choice. Because I am no longer ignorant of these things I choose and still do to not be connected to the kingdom of darkness in any way with Jesus Christ's help. This I know can be a n access point or a doorway to sin. Sin of any kind is still…sin.

If you continue to sin or participate by doing the things that connect you to the kingdom of darkness that Holy Spirit is convicting you to stop doing then you're given space (or grace), time to repent, But if you continually ignore His convicting power, His whispered thoughts, and pull in your spirit your time of grace or space to repent can be removed. The Holy Spirit will stop convicting you because of your choice to be disobedient to Him. In other words your conscious mind has become as if seared by a hot iron. (Gen 6:3; 1 Timothy 4:1-2; Psalms 81:12)

Sin is sin and is not a mistake. It is a deliberate choice you make to do something you know is wrong and it becomes a transgression when you act on it. This means when you actually step over the boundary line of doing what God says is right into the wrong. Then it becomes the

transgression or breaking of God's commands/His laws.
Unlike a mistake, we choose to sin. Therefore, we must accept responsibility for it. In addition we must accept the consequences that follow.

What if you have sinned and transgressed God's laws?

1. **Don't minimize your sin by calling it a mistake**. In other words, agree with what Father God's Word calls it. Confess it to Him in Jesus Christ's Name and say the same thing about your sin that He says about it. You can't get rid of sin in your life if you continue to deny its existence.
2. **Acknowledge your guilt.** It is normal to feel guilty when you have sinned. Guilt can be looked at as God's gift, designed to motivate you to initiate reconciliation. This is the Holy Spirit convicting you and is different from condemnation that the enemy will bring against you. The sooner you acknowledge your guilt and your responsibility, the sooner you can resolve the problem with Jesus Christ's help. Never follow your confession with the word "but." This is the preface to an excuse. It negates everything you have said before.
3. **If you have sinned, own it.** Take responsibility for what you have done. (In fact, if you have made a mistake, own up to that too.) Even if someone provoked you, own your response because it was still your decision on how you responded. If they were 90% responsible, accept 100% responsibility for your 10%. There is never a legitimate excuse when it comes to sin. None whatsoever.
4. **Change your behavior.** Some people are very adept at saying they are sorry, but then nothing changes. They continue on with their same behavior. Repentance is not only a change of mind; it is a change of direction. Unless you change your behavior, you haven't really repented, no matter how many tears you may have shed. True repentance in Jesus Christ brings about change that can be seen by others and felt by you.
5. **Repent.** Ask Jesus Christ to forgive you and if you have wronged someone else ask them also. You can't demand it, nor are you entitled to it. You can only ask and pray that the person you have sinned against will extend grace. Sometimes, they will wait until you have manifested the fruit of repentance, and that is fine. Even if the person chooses not to forgive you, you have been obedient to the Word of God which frees you from granted access from the enemy into your life. (Matthew 3:8; Acts 26:19-20).

1 John 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

Why would a person keep sinning?

I've heard people ask, "Why won't God take this desire away from me so I'll stop sinning? Pray that I'll stop sinning." They truly desire to be free from sexual sin, substance abuse, gluttony, materialism, love for the world, and such like. Jesus Christ said in John 14:15 If ye love me, keep my commandments. If sin is a choice then you are choosing to disobey the words of Jesus Christ. Philippians 4:13 says, 'I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.' 1 Corinthians 10:13 says, 'There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.'

People are very predictable with their actions showing their priorities whether they realize it or not. We have the ability in our conscious mind, our soul's mind to know right from wrong. While many may want and attempt to do good, they are also willing to sin in spite of the fact they know it's wrong. In addition many will try to justify their sinful choices with excuses that make them feel sorry for themselves. While some do have legitimate trauma to overcome, most know that sin is simply a choice to give in to the fleshly desires for a moment or two of comfort and pleasure.

What does the Word of God say about such things?

1 John 2:15-16
15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. **If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.**
16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

So what happens if you continually refuse to obey the Holy Spirits guidance to get the sin out of your life?

2 Peter 2:20-22
20 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.
21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.
22 But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

Luke 9:62 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God.

Hebrews 10:26 For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins,

Hebrews 6:4-6
4 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,
5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, 6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame.

Romans 6:12-16

12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. 13 Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God.
14 For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.
15 What then? shall we sin, because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid.
16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

The end result is if you continue to choose to sin…willfully sin and transgress after the sweet Holy Spirit convicts you of that wrong and never fully repent of them…with a change that follows, there will come a point in time when the Holy Spirit will step back from convicting you. Your conscience will be seared and you will be allowed to keep sinning freely without any interference from Him to draw you back to Father God and Jesus Christ's loving embrace.

The true Christian can occasionally fall into sin but most when they feel the convicting power of the Holy spirit, have true remorse, and guilt for having sinned against their Lord Jesus Christ and will earnestly ask for forgiveness. They will repent.
(Proverbs 26:16; Jude 24)

We are called in our Christian walk to die to ourselves and crucify the flesh with its ungodly desires. Jesus Christ has broken the chains that once bound us to sin. It's our choice to stay free in Him with His help. Or you can choose to sin again that leads to transgression of God's laws of love causing you to walk right back into your comfortable prison putting those shackles and bonds right back on. It will be by your choice. Your own decision because you like the way they make you feel. None of us have an excuse when we willingly give in to our favorite sins.
(Galatians 5:24-26; Romans 8:5-8; Luke 4:18-19; Psalms 107:10-14; John 8:36)

Remember Jesus Christ has already done everything for us to live victorious in Him.
Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.
Mark 9:23 Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth.

Hebrews 10:16-17
16 This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;
17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.
Romans 13:14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfill the lusts thereof.

Galatians 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.

Galatians 5:16-18
16 This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. 17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
18 But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law.

Please pray about this in Jesus Christ's Name and try/ test and prove this according to the Holy Word of God. God bless.

What Are Some of the Things the Holy Bible Reveals About the Antichrist? 12-24-23
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The Holy Spirit has led me to share this information because so many are not studying or seeking God through scriptures on important facts such as this. Let's never forget that the Lord is of many layers and if you are given a vision or dream or see or read another person's then please, please remember the obvious is usually not the correct answer.

Many of the dreams and visions I have had about antichrist have also included those very powerful in the antichrist spirit and those working with him in which I spent many days seeking our lovely Jesus Christ for understanding. Remember antichrist comes under the guise as a peacemaker.

He is charismatic and loved to cause the whole world to follow him. He will hide his true nature it seems until around mid of the 7 yr mark approximately when he breaks the covenant of peace. He will not be the evilest person you can easily identify. He will not be obviously corrupt and wicked for the whole world to take notice of him. Also, all but a few will bow down to him according to the holy scripture so again his wickedness will be hidden at first.
Please, please pray because many of God's children are being deceived because they follow other people without testing and trying the spirits or they haven't really sought Jesus Christ for the truth...his truth about these such things or what they have received themselves from God.
1 John 4: 1 says "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world." (How to try the spirits found in 1 John 4:1-3; 13-15; 2 John 7; 1 Corinthians 12:3)

Here is some of what the Word of God reveals about antichrist.

1. He is a conqueror, a man of skilled battle tactics.

Daniel 7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

Daneil 7:24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

Daniel 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

2. He has to be revealed when the restrainer is removed, meaning when he first comes on the scene he will not be easily identified as antichrist. He will not come as the evilest, wicked person but shall keep his true attributes of deception, lying, working in signs and wonders etc. hidden until he is revealed. He will be the opposite of what we are looking for and so many people will

be deceived into believing he is good instead of evil. For him to deceive so many he must appear appealing, possibly
charismatic, even charming. According to scriptures he will hide his true nature until the time of his revealing.

2 Thessalonians 2: 3; 6-12
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;
6 And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.
7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.
8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,
10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.
11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:
12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

3. Nations shall swear their allegiance being in one mid set and giving their power and strength and serve him.
Revelation 17:10-13
10) And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.
11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. (Antichrist)
12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.
13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

4. He will be able to make bold promises, great things, speak lies and blaspheme God and all heaven. He will be in power and have the ability to change laws and times until his appointed time is up.

Daniel 7:8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Great things: Hebrew word rabrab ans Strong's # H7260 meaning: huge (in size); domineering (in character):—(very) great (things).

Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Daniel 11:36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

5. He will be in power and have the ability to change laws and times until his appointed time is up.
Great definition: very good or satisfactory; excellent:
synonyms: expert · skillful · skilled · adept · adroit · accomplished · talented · fine · able · masterly · master · brilliant · virtuoso · magnificent · marvelous · outstanding · first class · first rate · elite · superb ·proficient · very good · enjoyable · amusing · delightful · lovely · pleasant · congenial · diverting · exciting · thrilling · excellent · wonderful · first-class · first-rate · admirable · splendid · good

Revelation 13: 5-6
5) And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.
6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

6. He shall lose his position in power and be cast into the lake of fire with the false prophet after Jesus Christ defeats him.

Daniel 7:26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

Revelation 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. (More in Revelation 19:11-21)

2 Thessalonians 2:8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

7. He confirms...so it's a pre-existing covenant for 1 week (7 years) but in the midst (midst-Strongs # H2677 ḥēṣî meaning "half") then breaks it halfway (3 ½ year mark). So, he is a liar, stops the sacrifices and oblations in the temple of God in Jerusalem and sits himself there and proclaims, showing himself as if he is God.

Daniel 11:45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

Daniel 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.
• confirms (make (a provisional arrangement or appointment) definite: • make (something, especially a person's appointment to a position or an agreement) formally valid; ratify:

2 Thessalonians 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.

8. He is struck down by a deadly wound to his head that's healed causing the people to worship satan/lucifer and him.

Revelation 13: 3-4
3) And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.
4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power
unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him
9. He, his evil spirit, comes out of the pit/Abyss.

Revelation 17:8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.
At the time of scripture being written: Beast that was...The spirit of Antichrist is already upon the world. (1 John 4:3) Beast that is not....He hasn't risen to full power in flesh. Beast that yet is...He will be upon the earth in full power in flesh.

10.During his appointed time, he will be successful in all he does.

Daniel 11:36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

11. He has no regard for the desire of women nor any other gods once worshiped by his family in times past.

Daniel 11:37 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.

12. In his position he shall worship foreign gods (Satan/Fallen Ones including lucifer/Nephilim) and give them rule over the people and dividing the lands for gain.

Daniel 11:37-39

37) Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.
38 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver,
and with precious stones, and pleasant things.
39 Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain.

13.He will have the ability through deceit and the kingdom of darkness to perform signs and wonders.

2 Thessalonians 2:8-10 8) And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:
9 Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,
10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

14. He will have power over the saints of God, even the power to kill.
Revelation 14: 12-13
12) Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.
13 And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Revelation 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

15.He has his own mark that will allow people to buy and sell with the number 66, but all who take it will burn in the lake of fire.

Revelation 13: 16-18
16) And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:
17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.
18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

Revelation 14: 9-11
9) And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

Where does antichrist come from according to scripture?

Below are the verses I have found that narrow down the places in which antichrist will come out of:
Daniel 8:8-9; 21-23
8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.
9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

21 And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.
22 Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.
23 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

Revelation 13:1-2
1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.
2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

Daniel 7:7; 19-24
7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.
19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;
20 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.
21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.
23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.
24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

****Daniel saw the little horn coming out of one of the divisions of the Grecian Empire. This was to be in a later time of the kingdom. So, it must be in the future because these kingdoms still exist which are Turkey, Syria, Greece and Egypt. In Daniel 7 it reveals the antichrist coming from 10 kingdoms inside the Roman Empire territory. The Antichrist will emerge from a revived Roman Empire, which was located in Europe and parts of Turkey after the Roman Empire conquered the Greeks.

Please pray about this information and take it to our lovely Jesus in prayer. I am not a teacher but simply sharing what I have been shown by studying the Word of God by the precious Holy Spirit, my dear Friend.
God bless. Stay under the blood of Jesus always.

What Does Jesus and His Name Mean to You?

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The name of Jesus is dreadful among the enemy. Dreadful means: causing or involving great suffering, fear, or unhappiness; extremely bad or serious: So, then His name is a source of terror and great fear to little s and his kingdoms. They know they can't go head-to-head with a true Child of God... with His children. This is why they fight using delusions, smokescreens, fights from the shadows and uses many other devices, schemes and tactics. If they can't through deceit bolster themselves up in our eyes as formidable foes instead of already defeated ones, then they have a toe-hole, a stronghold in a person's life that can lessen our faith in that Jesus' name is all power. That His name is ultimate all-powerful, and it will always be. They can't fight you face-to-face until they have weakened one's resolve and lessened your faith in the name of your God...Jesus...Jesus Christ. (Genesis 3:1; 1 John 2:16; 2 Corinthians 2:11; 4:4; 11:14; Ephesians 6:12; John 10:10; Proverbs 6:16-19; Acts 26:15-18)

When a person realizes the true power of our God Jesus Christ and all that His name contains and does, then all that we have to do is to speak or whisper His name. The power is placed inside the name of Jesus itself by Father God who
exalted it above all others. The power is in His name! Not in us! Not in the way we say it or fully understand it! A person who has accepted Jesus into their hearts as their Savior simply speaks the name of Jesus in faith for our enemies to flee or fall before us. It is written in the word of God. This is how it is commanded to be. (Philippians 2:9-11; Isaiah 46:9-10; 55:11; James 2:19; 4:7)

All power lies inside of the name of Jesus. It is the one specific "Jesus" name designated by Father God and assigned to His Son. When his earthly name was given to him by the Father, He instilled at that moment of time all power, known and unknown to us, found withing all creation and placed it inside it. (Luke 1:31)

Every weapon of Heaven's arsenal, every healing, every understanding, every judgment, every blessing, every cursing, every life, every death...every everything is found in the name of Jesus and its solution when needed. Every situation, every predicament, every trial, every persecution, every illness, every sorrow, every grief, every torment, every mountain, every everything is conquered, and the solutions are found in and by the name of Jesus. Because all power is found within His name! He is the answer to it all. (John 4:6; 10:10; 14:13; 15:7 Mark 11:22-25; Philippians 4:19; Psalms 50:15; 2 Peter 3:9; John 3:22)
When you speak the name of Jesus, Father God, Holy Spirit, all of Heaven, all of creation, little s, his hierarchy and Jesus himself recognizes it when you are speaking Jesus' the Son of the living God's name and not that of another.

The mere mention of the name of Jesus Christ's name shakes the very fabric of the physical and spiritual realms although to the normal physical sight of our eyes it is not always seen or noticed immediately. When you speak His holy all-powerful name, the name of Jesus or even whisper it softly, it reverberates outward affecting all that is in its path the very moment it leaves your lips. That's how powerful His precious name is because it becomes a spoken word. (Isaiah 55:11)

When you fight and speak in Jesus' name the enemy, little s and his forces know if you understand the full power of His name and the intimate relationship with Him that it takes to grasp fully how to wield its power because Jesus' holiness, His presence, His fire, His love and His power will accompany that person speaking and wielding His name. It's a love relationship and the enemy hates you and it because of it.

When your words are directed and pointed at the enemy, little s and his kingdom's hierarchy and spoken in the authority of His name Jesus, then immediately, right before their eyes and as soon as the words depart from your lips, they turn into a mighty 2-edged sword that cuts them going in and coming out. The enemy will flee from before you because they cannot stand before the presence of the power of Jesus in you, His name, or the knowledge you possess of the power found within in it. Hallelujah! You are actually directing all power found in creation against them. This is the power of Jesus' name given to Him by a loving Father, the Creator of all. Our Father God Jehovah in Heaven. (James 4:7; Luke 10:1; Hebrews 2:12; Ephesians 6:17; Revelation 19:11-15; Colossians 1:16; Isaiah 40:28)

Remember always though, it's not you. It's Jesus! It will always be Jesus! All power is found in His name, and it will never diminish or fade. Nor will there ever be anything created at any time that will come close to equaling His power.

But you need to understand the power of His name Jesus to walk in this authority given freely to us by our loving Savior to aid us and the kingdom of God's work. You need to know that you know that when you speak His name, there is no doubt in His ability to perform what is in His word and what you have spoken in faith. Doubt and unbelief are sin. Heaven stands at attention when you speak His name activated by faith, to aid you. Meanwhile little s and his kingdoms are put on notice and quite possibly they are going to have to move again or definitely are. More like evacuating and fleeing when you in faith speak the name of Jesus. Praise God! (Hebrews 1:14; Psalms 34:7; 91:11; 103:20-21; Daniel 6:22; Matthew 4:11; 21:21; James 1:6; John 3:18; 5:38; Mark 11:23).

If you speak the name of Jesus as His child, but you have wavering faith, meaning you might be thinking, "Maybe He'll answer and move, or maybe He won't" or "The demons have to flee according to the word of God, but will they really flee from someone like me, then you are operating in doubt and undermining your own faith and self. You might even find yourself saying things like, "My God is so big and strong, but Oh, the devil has beaten me so black and blue this week!" Comments like these will weaken and can wreak havoc in your very faith in the power of Jesus' name, His word and even in Him which it can cause the magnificent two-edged sword that is supposed to be coming out of your mouth to become no more than a small dagger. It is still a weapon, but much of its strength and power has been diminished by your doubt, unbelief and wavering faith in your God, His word and the power found only in His name. That name of Jesus! (Hebrews 10:23; James 1:6-8; Matthew 6:24)

This is also an example of Proverbs 18:21 coming into play which says Death and life are in the power of the tongue....in the words we speak. Our words create what we have spoken into being, into existence. When we speak the name of Jesus in faith and in His authority that He has given us it has the ability of erupting upon the enemy like that of an indefinite number of

neutron hydrogen bombs or even stronger. But your faith is the activator for the fuse to be lit to set off the bombs in and by the name of Jesus.

When you speak the name of Jesus, do you believe:

1. His name is all powerful to us above all that you know or don't know even if the unknown hasn't been created yet?

a. You should know as His Child seeing His Father gave Him a name above all others. (Philippians 2:9-11)

2. When you speak His name in faith both Heaven and hell must listen and must obey because you understand you have been given the same authority and power that Jesus has? This gift from Him to us.

a. Luke 1:37; 10:19; John 14:12

3. When you speak in the name of Jesus, do you doubt that little s and his forces will fully obey you? Do you think you are not strong enough or you are too young of a Christian for him to obey your voice or command?

a. You are wrong because the power, your power is found in Jesus' name alone. It's not based on how you feel or what you think, not even on your faith alone. The power is found in Jesus. In His blood and His name and nothing else. His name is above all others. This means it is more powerful than any other. It's all Jesus and it will always be...all Jesus! He did everything for us. (Hebrews 1:1-3; 10:12-13)

When you fully get this into your spirit and mind and realize you only have to speak the name of Jesus in faith, and it doesn't have to be shouted or repeated, it can be one simple whisper, then so will the enemy. They will turn and flee. This is the power of His wonderful name. But should the Holy Spirit impress or nudge you to speak or pray it more than once, then do so. Be obedient, because He just might be bolstering and leading you in building up your most holy faith by speaking and hearing the sweet name of Jesus over and over. After all, faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word as Romans 10:17 tells us. And who is the word made into flesh...Jesus. (John 1:1-5; 9-14; Jude 1:20; Hebrews 11:6)

Jesus is everything. His Blood is everything. His name is everything.

He is:

Our Lord. (Luke 2:11; Acts 2:36; 1 Timothy 6:15)

Our Savior. (Luke 2:11; Acts 5:31)

Our Deliverer (Galatians 5:1; 2 Peter 2:9)

Our Strong Tower. (Proverbs 18:10; Psalms 61: 3)

Our hiding place (Psalms 32:7; 119:114)

Our Refuge (Psalms 46:1;7)

Our strength. (Psalms 28:7; Isaiah 40:31)

Our sacrifice. (1 John 2:2)

Our King. (Isaiah 23:22; Revelation 17:14)

Our Shepherd (Psalms 23:1)

Our Righteous Judge. (Psalms 7:11; 2 Timothy 4:8; Revelation 20:11-15) Our friend.

(John 15:14)

Our Master. (Matthew 23:10)

and so much more…..
He is and should be our everything. Oh, what a powerful lovely name He has been given...the name of Jesus.

Why I plead the blood of Jesus while others say it's wrong! August 2021

By Vicki Goforth Parnell

Pleading the blood of Jesus to me is not about pleading a covering like the time of the blood on the posts. That's not it at all but I do feel that Jesus' blood covers us during the times that God executes judgment on sin because the blood of Jesus inside of us identifies us as his own and we will overcome the enemy by his blood, the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimonies! (Rev. 12:11) The blood of Jesus protects us, covers our sins and shortcomings from God's sight, is the basis for God's forgiveness, satisfies the demands of justice when the laws of righteousness are violated, and has the power to purge all unrighteous behavior from us. (1 John 1:7, 9 Rom. 8:2-3)

God's absolute holiness, purity and righteousness does not allow him to overlook sin. So, it's through Jesus that an atonement was made through His own blood on the cross of Calvary for mankind. It's the cleansing blood of Jesus that is at work daily in the hearts of those who are true Christians through the Holy Spirit who will search out the inner imaginations and motives of the believers, as well as the more obvious words and deeds, so that all that is not acceptable to God may be repented of and confessed as sin. (Is. 59:2, Rev. 1:5, John 3:16, 1 Cor. 2:10)

Here though is what I mean when I say I plead the blood of Jesus or that I cry out to him to keep me continually covered in its crimson flow. I go throughout my day in almost continual nonstop prayer and praise and reading his word. I ask him continually," Father God I ask if I have sinned unknowingly then in Jesus' name forgive me. I plead your blood your atoning blood over my life," because I am in a constant state of repentance almost all the time because I do not want to displease my God in anyway. I'm not lifting myself up but simply stating the facts. This is how I live my life...in Jesus. (1 Thess. 5:17, Prov. 3:5-6, Heb. 13:15, 2 Tim. 2:15, 3:15, 1 John 1:9)

The blood of Jesus protects, pardons, purges, and nourishes us and to me in my eyes it is like an atonement garment that covers our spiritual nakedness so we can come into the presence of God Almighty without shame. We wash our robes and make them white in Jesus' blood. As we confess our sins and repent of them, God forgives our sins and cleanses us from all unrighteousness. (Heb. 9:14, 10:10, 16-20, Is. 1:18, Heb. 9:22-28)

When I plead the blood of Jesus over myself, I am asking for his atonement covering of his precious blood to cover me in my repentance. When I say, "Stay under the blood of Jesus," I mean stay in a state of continual, humble repentance before our holy God and this is only possible through Jesus' blood. (Prov. 28:13)

Pleading the blood of Jesus to me is also my continual cry to God to forgive me if I sin unknowingly or if I did so willingly and this is the only way I know to stay in his perfect will and that is to stay under his blood covering, this atonement covering as well as praying and studying his precious holy word and this in itself is a powerful protection against sin. (1 John 1:7-9, Ps. 19:12-13, Jude 1:20)

By confessing our sins, repenting, submitting to God, and resisting the devil (in Jesus' name), by the authority and power of the blood of Jesus to forgive and to purge, by the wisdom and strength that come to us from the guidance and power of the Holy Spirit, and by eating the flesh

of Christ and drinking His blood, a place for us is being prepared in the Father's House, that is, in Jesus. (1 John 1:9, James 5:16, James 4:7)

The term pleading doesn't only mean to cry out but it is a legal term meaning: advocacy of a cause in a court of law. Jesus is our advocate. He intercedes for us. Salvation through Jesus and the power of his name and blood gives us rights over the devil and rights with God because God honors the Blood of His Son. It's because he is the perfect unblemished sacrifice and no other is needed for our redemption. (1 John 2:1-2, Rom. 8:34, Heb. 7:25, 9:11-14, 10:12)

Pleading the Blood of Jesus to me no longer only means an atonement garment but has become a legal term that means I stand on the spiritual rights that are "legally" mine through the Blood that Jesus shed for the forgiveness of our sins. When I come before the court of heaven in every circumstance, I face in life I have the legal right, through the blood of Jesus Christ, to enter a plea. I then can lay claim to the evidence (His slain body, His shed blood at the Cross) which is proven to neutralize the power of sin, the power of affliction, the power of death, and the power of hell. This is why I will make my plea when I plead the blood of Jesus, whether I face demonic, physical, or personal attack, condemnation or the temptation to sin.

In addition, Jesus my Savior will be my advocate for me and present my case, my situations to Father God. When the Holy Spirit led me to Lev. 17:11 (For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul,) He also led me to study what blood does.

One part of the blood is the white blood cells that fight off and helps destroy bacteria, viruses, parasites and fungi making them harmless inside of our bodies. It's a purification process. Just like Jesus' blood fights off, cleanses and destroys the effects of the enemy's sin which is the disease for man's soul that also separates us from God. Jesus' blood purifies us from sin when we accept him as our Savior and we can then stand in the authority of his name! His name above all names against Satan. So, part of our protection is Jesus' blood and the word of our testimonies. (1 John 1:7, Phil. 2:9-10, Mic. 3:4, Isa. 59:2, Rev. 12:11)

Also, while reading in the Holy Bible I was led to this verse 1Cor. 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: This identifies Jesus as our Passover Lamb. So even though his blood is inside of me when I partook of his flesh and drank his blood it also will cover me as in the time of Exodus 12:13.

I now will be pleading the blood over my life for all these things because I have learned that pleading the blood of Jesus shows me that I am applying the blood to my life and situations just like Israelites applied the blood of the lamb to their door posts and were protected from destruction and attacks. But I shall be doing it through Jesus and his holy name because he is my Passover Lamb!

Also, because I have the legal rights through his blood, his sacrifice to plead my case before him, he, Jesus, will then present it to the Father. He does this even while I cry out to God to keep me under Jesus' blood covering, the atonement garment as I stay through his help in a constant state of repentance and I do so only by his strength, his blood and through his all-powerful name. This

is why I shall always plead the precious blood of Jesus over my life, all those I love and life's many circumstances in Jesus' mighty and powerful name!

Why Sometimes the Prophetic Doesn't Happen When We Think it Should.
Prophecy is still very much alive today and is part of God's kingdom work.

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

There are 2 types of major prophecy. Prophecy is the Word of God. Prophets are servants of God, called and appointed by God to pass His message.

The 2 major types of prophecy are:
1. Conditional prophecy: Conditional prophecy is when the prophecy fulfillment is dependent on the compliance of those to whom the promise is made, with the conditions on which it is given. A prophecy in which the prediction is affirmed upon a condition. (i.e. Deut. 28 blessings & curses)
2. Unconditional prophecy: An unconditional prophecy is one in which there is no condition predicated. A prophecy from God that will come to pass exactly as prophesied no matter what anything or anyone does. (Jesus born of a virgin, would die for our sins, antichrist rise, etc)

Today God is using many people, not only the prophets as young and old have prophetic dreams, visions and have words from Father God and/or Jesus His Son. Just as Joel 2:28-29 & Acts 2:17 speaks of.

A lot of people today tend to think the prophetic should only be good messages, encouragement with words of hope and if it is not, or if it causes them to be fearful then it is not from Father God or Jesus Christ. It's from satan, it's from the devil, they will say. They will quote 1 Corinthians 14:3 which says, But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort," never realizing 1 Corinthians chapters 12-14 is concerning how prophecy, usually a prophetic utterance should be given inside a church. This is different from those outside of the church who are sharing the dreams, visions and words from Father God and Jesus, His Son.

Hebrews 11:7 says, "By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith."

Out of fear of what was to come he began preparing. He heard God's warning alarm and didn't reject it. This is the healthy fear God has instilled in us. Not the tormenting fear that has terror and is from our enemy satan.

Prophetic words, dreams, and visions can cause fear at times. Fearful moments but you don't have to stay in that fear. If it causes fear that runs deeper than what motivates you to react whether it is to repent, seek God for confirmation, or begin in obedience to make preparations, then the first thing that needs to be done is to ask why?

Why is this prophetic word, dream, or vision causing me so much fear when I, as a child of God should be trusting Him for all my needs and safety? Is this word from someone with good fruits according to the Word of God? Is it a false word? Watch the fruit of the person given the dreams, words, and visions. Are they good or bad according to the Word of God?

Matthew 7:16 says this about the fruit of a person. “Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?”

If you know a person who you can see the attributes and fruit of Jesus and the sweet Holy Spirit operating and flowing freely in their lives then this is good fruit. If you cannot then this is bad fruit. They’re not of God because satan cannot cast out satan. A divided house will fall.

Mark 3:22-26
22 And the scribes which came down from Jerusalem said, He hath Beelzebub, and by the prince of the devils casteth he out devils.
23 And he called them unto him, and said unto them in parables, How can Satan cast out Satan?
24 And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.
25 And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.
26 And if Satan rise up against himself, and be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end.

These scriptures can help you determine someone’s fruit and also the integrity of a prophetic dream, word or vision they have given.

Remember everything has to line up with the Word of God, whether it is prophetic or not for it to be from Father God, Jesus or the sweet Holy Spirit because our God does nothing without sending warning first according to Amos 3:7. So, we need to understand some of the ways to determine if the things spoken or seen are from Heaven.

Amos 3:7 Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.

Here are a few things you can pray and ask Jesus about when a word, dream, or vision causes fear if the Lord leads you to seek further what He’s saying and why He is saying it?

1. Is the word, dream, vision given false or is it from God?
2. Has more than one word, dream or vision came forth that lines up with this word more or less from this person or others...meaning have much of the same warning? If so, then this is a 2 Corinthians 13:1 warning and is considered established and confirmed when discerned as from Father God & Jesus Christ.
3. Do you know the person and can judge their fruits by the Word of God? Even their past fruits lining them up with the Holy Scripture standards?
4. Have you checked yourself for sin of any kind? Even hidden things like disobedience, casual talk that leads into gossiping, less time with Him, etc.? This can be the potential cause of the fear you're having.
5. Are you understanding the word, dream, vision properly? Have you earnestly sought His interpretation and asked the Holy Spirit to teach and give you the understanding? Spiritual things have to be spiritually discerned with the sweet Holy Spirit's help because without it, understanding cannot fully come according to 1 Corinthians 2:12-14. (John 14:26; 1 John 2:27.)
6. Was there a date given directly by God/Jesus/Holy Spirit or was it only a time or season? Most times when someone receives a dream, word or vision and it’s dated, that is when they received

it. That does not necessarily mean this is God's date for this to happen or even the year. God's timing is different from our shallow understanding of time.
7. Did God have a change of heart? If so, did God grant mercy because most of all He is love itself and is ruled by love?
8. Are we rejecting a word, dream, or vision because of its contents before earnestly seeking Jesus for the truth of what it is saying because we don't like or want to hear what was said? More times than not the meaning will not be your obvious assumption because God is so much deeper than we are and can understand without His Holy Spirit showing and leading us. We are to search and study His matters out.
9. Is He warning me out of love to correct me? Do I need to repent?

A word of caution I give in love: If you have received a word of warning by dream, vision, or direct word from a person/persons who says it's from God/Jesus or Holy Spirit and you choose to reject or ignore it, then understand this: If they are truly hearing from God, if they've accepted Jesus as their Lord and Savior, and are filled with His Holy Spirit, and it's a word given through the Holy Spirit, then you are rejecting the Holy Spirit within them and calling it not of God, but of lucifer….of satan. You had better be sure!. This is blasphemy of the Holy Spirit and if you continue in this direction He very well may depart from you and you will then be damned eternally if you don't repent before He is grieved so much by your disobedience and rejection that He forever leaves you. He may allow you to do it one time or twenty or more before He leaves, but why chance it? This is the unpardonable sin. Why am I bringing this up? Because I love you and care what happens to your eternal soul. (Matthew 12:31-32.)

It is through the Holy Spirit that the prophetic can occur. John 16:13 says, "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come."

If they are a true servant of Jesus Christ and this word has come forth by the Holy Spirit as the Bible says in 2 Peter 1:20-21 (20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.") then you are not denying or rejecting the person but Jesus they serve and calling the precious Holy Spirit within them that gave the word a liar! Again, that's if this is a direct word from God or Jesus.

One way to know if the word, dream or vision is from God:

Watch their fruits and rest assured time will tell whether they are false or true. It may not be the day of the given word, dream or vision. It may be 3 weeks, a month or 2 years but if God spoke it and it has not been changed by prayer reaching his heart or unrepentant causing it to be sped up and fast forwarded then it will come to pass at His appointed time, not ours.

Numbers 23:19 God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Pray about all this information and please remember if you are talking about someone who professes to love Jesus and they really do, then you are talking about His anointed that have been touched by His Father God in and through Him. If they have ever been truly saved then they are

God's anointed. Psalms 105:15 says, "Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm." This means even if they have walked fully away from our lovely Jesus. One such example we have in the Bible is Saul and David. (1 Samuel 24:3-6.)

When you hear a prophetic word, dream or vision and it causes fear, it is meant to propel you into action. You are being called to pray, or to repent, to make preparations or to warn others. This is healthy fear and should cause all who hear to respond one way or another. But it will be up to the individual what choices they make.

Each person has a right to reject a word, dream or vision that's declared it's from God but in the end God will reveal who is really speaking His words and those of His Son Jesus because he warns out of love for all his children.

Can a prophetic dream, vision or word be changed?

Absolutely if people will repent and cry out to God and it reaches His heart with their prayers. Or if people fail to repent and Father God chooses to accelerate His hand of Judgment.
For those who say once God has spoken a word it can never be changed, then I direct you to Amos 7 & Jonah 4 which are only two of several places when God changed his called forth judgment because of true repentance or someone interceding for others.
Amos 7:1-3
1 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me; and, behold, he formed grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and, lo, it was the latter growth after the king's mowings.
2 And it came to pass, that when they had made an end of eating the grass of the land, then I said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.
3 The LORD repented for this: It shall not be, saith the LORD.

Here we see God gives a prophetic word to Amos of what His intentions of judgment were for Israel. He's going to send the judgment of destroying grasshoppers to cover the land. He even gives a general time.....the latter growth after the king's mowing. Amos intercedes for Israel and it tells us God repented. This means He had a change of heart...not a change of mind. The judgment was still coming but now it will be a different way. This is an example of prayer reaching God's heart and judgment and its timing then being changed for a later time. We see proof of this in some of the other verses in this same chapter.

Amos 7: 4-6
4 Thus hath the Lord GOD shewed unto me: and, behold, the Lord GOD called to contend by fire, and it devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.
5 Then said I, O Lord GOD, cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob arise? for he is small.
6 The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be, saith the Lord GOD.

God gives another word to Amos of what His intentions are for Israel. This time it is a destroying fire that consumes much of the land. Amos once again intercedes for Israel and God repented. He is again moved by mercy and love for Israel. Judgment was still coming but now it was to be again a different way.

Amos 7:7-9; 17

7 Thus he shewed me: and, behold, the LORD stood upon a wall made by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand.
8 And the LORD said unto me, Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A plumbline. Then said the LORD, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel: I will not again pass by them any more:
9 And the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste; and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.
17 Therefore thus saith the LORD; Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be
divided by line; and thou shalt die in a polluted land: and Israel shall surely go into captivity forth of his land.

We see in Amos 7:7-8 God has built a wall with a plumbline. A plumbline is a tool that masons and contractors use to build a straight up and down wall. Next we see in verses 9 & 17 if Israel didn't line up with the straightness of the wall God built with the plumbline by God then their fate would then be the judgment of desolate (Uninhabited) lands, sanctuaries laid to waste (destroyed), they would die by the sword (war) and go into captivity. By history we know this all came to pass.

We don't know how long the time was between each time God and Amos spoke but we can see where God warned, in grace and love gave Israel more time to repent and return to Him, but they refused and then the judgment finally came. Thus showing if God chooses He being God can change a spoken word, vision or dreams outcome out of love.

Another example is Jonah who prophesied to Nineveh of its destruction but God was merciful and stayed the judgment until a later time when it was destroyed hundreds of years later.

This prophetic word he uttered is found in Jonah 3:4
4 And Jonah began to enter into the city a day's journey, and he cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.

Notice He said it "shall" be destroyed. At this moment in time God's had determined to destroy Nineveh completely for its wicked, evil sins. But the people repented and God had a change of heart...meaning He delayed the judgment for a later time out of mercy and His great love. Even for a people as wicked as them. Four hundred years later when they had returned fully into their sins, they were destroyed and God's prophetic word of judgment against them was fulfilled.
The Bible, God's holy word, is full of His prophetic words that have been words of encouragement, hope and love but also of warnings of ill intent which are meant to warn, to reproof, to draw people back to Father God and His righteous ways through Jesus Christ.

(Look at 2 Timothy 3:16-17, All Scripture [God's written and spoken word] is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.)

If God only gives good prophecy then we would have to remove most of the prophets in the Old Testament and even some of the new including words spoken by Jesus, Himself.

Some of the reasons that prophecy can cause fear in some are not always the word, dream or vision itself, but the condition of their heart when they hear it. This will have a deciding factor in whether they will allow this spirit of fear to torment them or reject it before earnestly seeking the matter out as we are instructed to do in the Holy Bible.

If someone has known or unknown sin they need to repent of, if they have strayed some from our loving Savior without realizing it as the cares of life take precedent in their lives, or even if they simply refuse the word, dream or vision because they simply don't like what it said, then these can lead to the spirit of fear having access to your life. It can also cause you to remain inactive in all that needs to be done.

If you are repeatedly given warning by words, dreams or visions for something and at first you felt the need to earnestly pray and seek the Lord about it, but then pushed it away time and again saying in your mind, "This can't be God. He is love, or He would never do that." You may very well find Father God taking a step back for your disobedience and allowing satan to give you false

peace that settles in your heart right before sudden destruction, the very destruction you were warned about and chose to ignore hits you full force. I am sounding the warning right now that this is very possible if you don't stay as close to Jesus as you can in Him.

1 Thessalonians 5:3, For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.
Those who truly trust in Jesus know that He will take care of us, and if we were to perish, then just as 2 Corinthians 5:8 says, "We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord." Also what it says in 1 John 2:25 "And this is the promise that he hath promised us, even eternal life."

Amos 3:7-8
7 Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth His secret unto His servants the prophets.
8 The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord God hath spoken, who can but prophesy?

1 John 4:1, Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

If God gives you a warning and you know it is definitely from Him then you must speak it, for Ezekiel tells us what happens if we do, or do not follow God's leading and give His word in due season.

Ezekiel 3:17-21
17 Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at My mouth, and give them warning from me.

18 When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.
19 Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not from his wickedness, nor from his wicked way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.
20 Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumbling-block before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered; but his blood will I require at thine hand.
21 Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous man, that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin, he shall surely live, because he is warned; also thou hast delivered thy soul.

Here are just a very few examples of good prophecy: Joel 2:25-28; Isaiah 9:6-7; John 14:16-18.

Here are a few examples of a prophecy that is of ill intent:
Hosea 13:16; Isaiah 13:15-18; Zechariah 14:2; 12; Revelation 21:8; Jeremiah 19:9.

In the end I will say this: Prophetic dreams, words and visions are given to edify, exhort, admonish, and comfort. It is to bring a word of hope or a word of warning and judgment. All out of love from our loving Father God and His Son Jesus Christ. They may be for a nation, the church or even an individual. Whichever it may be, we as His children are not to fear the prophetic but should always line it up to the word of God. No matter if it is one single word, dream or vision or several.

If these things do cause fear, then search yourself and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal what is in your heart that would cause you to have it, but please do it without a made up mind with your own preconceived ideas of what these things mean or don't mean. I say this because God doesn't speak any idle words and in the end whether you believe a word, dream or vision if it's truly from God that will be revealed as time passes. His time.

For some, His time is too late!. The warning has come true. All because you chose not to seek God for the full understanding of all He was saying, or because you had determined in your heart the prophetic had to be given in a certain way, or when you thought it had to come to pass and if not, then it was false.

Jesus Christ, help us to wait on You. To seek out each matter patiently and to be obedient in ALL You tell us to do, no matter how busy our lives are or how hot the battle we're fighting, in Your sweet Name I pray and ask.

7 Churches of Revelation in our world today

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Please pray, try, test, discern all these things in Jesus C hrist's Name. (1 John 4:1-3, 13-15; 1 Thessalonians 5:21 & 1 Corinthians 12:3)

All 7 churches will exist in the end time days. We are in the end time now. Please note that Revelation 2-3 Jesus Christ says churches repeated after talking about an individual church. It's plural. This would mean it includes all the 7 but also all other churches of His that existed in John's time and those still to come. What Jesus Christ says to the Ephesian church is also intended to be instruction, knowledge, information, and motivation to all the other churches as well. What is said to one church is also intended for Ephesus, for Smyrna, for Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, Laodicea. All future churches to come. Therefore, all the messages are for each church as well with each church being the body of Jesus Christ. Because you will find all 7 churches written about have attributes spoken of members in the church buildings and those who no longer attend one.

So all 7 types of these churches will be present in the World today as we have already entered the time of tribulation days before the actual Tribulation begins.

1. Revelation 2:1-7 …Church of Ephesus

   The church that had abandoned its first love for Christ (Revelation 2:4).

   Churches of works. Entertainment, programs, feeding the hungry, outreaches without the love of Jesus Christ as the sole reason. Examples of churches that require work as part of the way to get to Heaven: Eastern Orthodox churches/ Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Jehovah witness

Matthew 24:12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

1 Corinthians 13:1-3

1 Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal.

2 And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries, and all knowledge; and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

3 And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.

2. Revelation 2:8-11... Church in Smyrna

   The church that would face severe persecution (Revelation 2:10).

   These churches already exist today and are those already suffering severe persecution such as located in 3rd world countries. Murder (even by beheading ins some places) ,

imprisonment, torture, loss of freedoms, fleeing homes and such like already occurring today. House of Commons Library UK Parliament report Research Briefing title Religious persecution and the World-Watch List 2024 Published Tuesday, January 23, 2024 states these facts. These are only those that were reported but there's so much more.

1. Around 365 million Christians are subject to "high levels of persecution and discrimination". This compared to 340 million in 2021
2. 4,998 Christians were killed for faith-related reasons. 90% of those killed were in Nigeria, where attacks on Christians have become more common since 2020 as part of a wider rise in political violence against civilians.
3. 14,766 Churches and Christian properties were attacked.

Matthew 24:9-10

9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.
10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

3. Revelation 2:12-17...Church in Pergamos

<u>The church that needed to repent of sin (Revelation 2:16).</u>

Churches that have accepted LGBTQIA+ for example

1 Timothy 4:1-2

1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;
2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

4. Revelation 2:18-29 …..Church in Thyatira

<u>The church whose false prophetess was leading people astray (Revelation 2:20).</u>

Paula White, Junita Bynum (Rod Parsley Church/prophesy over daughter didn't come true.) Erika Mukisa Life in the Spiritual Ministries/YouTube channel/ Video titled Life Is Spiritual Presents: How Witchcraft Rules The World Premiered May 11, 2022/ False teachings/ Creation/ Tree of good and evil was witchcraft. Demons are used in witchcraft and not turned into spirits until after Noah's flood.

Matthew 24:11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

1 John 4:1-3

1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.
2 Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:
3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it

in the world.

5. Revelation 3:1-6...Church in Sardis

   <u>The sleeping church that needed to wake up (Revelation 3:2).</u>

   Pertains to Christians worldwide who keep their heads in the sand. Some by choice and choose not to pay attention or be aware of what's going on in the church as well as in the world.

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

1 Thessalonians 5:4-6

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. 5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

6. Revelation 3:7-13….Church in Philadelphia

   <u>The church that had patiently persevered (Revelation 3:10).</u>

   The churches that are persevering, seeking Jesus Christ, walking in obedience, and staying in the Word of God. In other words this is referring to those of the church that are making themselves bride-ready located all over the world regardless of the attacks and persecution they have and are enduring.

<u>Revelation 3:7-13</u>

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;

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.

9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee. (Dan 7:5 goes with this verse)

10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. 11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. (Jesus Christ makes a reference of His returning.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. <u>Daniel 7:23-26</u>

23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.
24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. 25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Nowhere does this say this persecution of trying to wear out the saints doesn't begin before his beast system is in full place. My understanding is as the antichrist is rising the attack on the Christians have become more constant and severe and in addition shall only continue to increase once Jesus Christ returns.*

26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

7. Revelation 3:14-22…..Church of the Laodiceans

<u>The church with lukewarm faith (Revelation 3:16)</u>

Pertains to Christians worldwide…prosperity gospel, compromising

Revelation 3:16-17
16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.
17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

2 Timothy 3:4-5
4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5
Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

Addressing the All About The Blood - From the Perch - with Dana Coverstone and Cherie Goff Aired February 10, 2022

I would like to begin by saying this is not an attack on either one of these people, but I am addressing the comments and assumptions made in this video. Let me say that I feel that Pastor Dana Coverstone is a very humble, sincere Christian seeking Jesus with all his heart and since his first dream he posted I have been led by the Holy Spirit to pray for him, his family, his church and his community which I still do daily.

When I saw the title of this YouTube video, I didn't watch it immediately, but began praying and fasting because I had already discussed this issue with Mrs. Goff by texts before.

I have had several contacts with Miss God beginning on 8-25-21 and ending on 11-20-21 including an audio call with a friend in which we prayed together with her on 10-8-21 @ 7:26AM.

July 2021 Mrs. Goff sent me a friend's request through Facebook Messenger which after praying I accepted 3 days later.

8-25-21 I sent copy of the dream called A Blasting of Mold and Mildew Coming for her to look at in pdf.
8-26-21 Mrs. Goff asked for it to be put directly into the body of the text messenger.
8-26-21 Copied and pasted dream into her Facebook Messenger.

8-28-21 She sent me saying basically that mildew and mold can spiritually represent sin.

9-22-21 Pastor Dana Coverstone releases "The Specialist" dream/Cherie comments blood of Jesus is not to be applied like blood on doorposts as in Exodus.

9-23-21 First contact with Cherie Goff about pleading the Blood of Jesus w/out scriptures/offered to send them

9-24-21 Cherie responded, "She is teachable and asked me to send the scriptures."

10-6-21 at 8:12 PM Resent first information with many scriptures, plus addition information

10-7-21 Cherie's response, "That's a lot of blood scriptures!"

10-8-21@7:26AM to 8:29AM Brother James Zimmerman created a chat room with Mrs. Goff, myself and him where we called Mrs. Goff by Facebook Messenger on audio.

10-8-21-10-1/-21@4:08PM We all three sent posts back and forth with the last one from brother James until my contact with Mrs. Goff on 11-19-21@7:51AM

11-7-21 I posted The Perils of Famine Vision which had scripture references in the vision.

11-8-21 Mrs. Goff posted comment about there never has such a Macrabe prophecy gone forth in the Word of God under the Famine vision post on Pastor Dana Coverstone's Brace yourself Facebook page.

11-9-21 I saw where her comments had been copied and pasted under the Peril of Famine visions posted on Pastor Dana's Brace Yourself Jump site right before she had me removed from the site. I was already removed off the Facebook site with no notice or warning.

11-11-21 I realized Mrs. Goff had blocked me from her Facebook account.

11-19-21@ 7:51AM After praying and fasting, my first contact with Mrs. Goff about famine vision and her actions in which I submitted proof from the Bible where cannibalism was found eight times through a chat room with Brother James Zimmerman, Mrs. Goff and myself.

11-20-21@ 12:24PM Mrs. Goff responds, "What are you going to do with Ezekiel 5:9? (Ezekiel 5: [9] And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and whereunto I will not do any more the like, because of all thine abominations. She was implying that this verse referred to the cannibalism, but it's referring to the whole harsh judgement pronounced upon Israel and not just the cannibalism. She didn't even try to pull scriptures, but took one verse and pulled the whole thing out of context.

11-20-21@ 3:03PM I responded with scriptures showing Ezekiel 5:9 did in face refer to the whole judgment against Israel with also proof of modern-day cannibalism occurring

11-20-21 @ 4:12PM I checked and it showed on Messenger that both Mrs. Goff and Brother James Zimmerman had seen the post.

This is how and why the Holy Spirit led me to contact her on 9-23-21 in which most of this information I share today will be what I had shared with her. Her response on 10-7-21after additional contact was made between us was a simple statement that said, "That's a lot of blood scriptures!"

AFTER WATCHING THIS VIDEO SEVERAL TIMES, I REALIZE WITH THE HELP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, HER WHOLE ARGUMENT IS THIS FOUND IN MULTIPLE AREAS INCLUDING: TIME STAMP 9:26-9:36 & 15:05-15:12!

MISS GOFF THINKS IT IS NOT A BIBLICAL PRINCIPAL BECAUSE THE PHRASE IS NOT FOUND WRITTEN IN THE BIBLE... THAT IT'S WRONG AND YOU DON'T HAVE TO DEMAND THE BLOOD TO COVER YOU. IT'S GIVEN FREELY WHEN WE REPENT AND SHE IS CORRECT IN THIS PART, BUT WRONG ALSO.

WHEN WE PLEAD THE BLOOD OF JESUS, WE ARE'NT DEMANDING, BUT MAKING A PLEA...A REQUEST, A PETITION FOR THE BLOOD OF JESUS TO COVER AND PROTECT US, AND ALSO TO WASH US CLEAN. THIS IS BECAUSE HE IS CALLED OUR PASSOVER IN 1 CORINTHIANS 5:7. MISS GOFF STATES IT'S WRONG...IS A SIN AND BECAUSE SOME PEOPLE ARE DOING THIS AND THEN THEY TAKE

COMMUNION, THE LORD'S SUPPER, THEN THEY ARE PARTICIPATING IN IT UNWORTHILY. THIS IS THE CAUSE OF WHY THEY ARE SICK AND DYING.

LORD WILLING, I WILL ADDRESS THIS ASSUMPTION OF HER BY PRESENTING BIBLICAL PROOF AND APPLIED KNOWLEDGE FROM SURROUNDING SCRIPTURES AS THE HOLY SPIRIT LEADS ME IN THIS PRESENTATION IN JESUS' NAME. FOR IT IS BY HIM ALONE THAT I DO THESE THINGS AND NOT OF MYSELF.

3:08 time stamp: Mrs. Goff states, "She started seeing churches that seemed to be uncovered and there was a lot of sickness, a lot of death happening to them in peculiar kinds of ways. She asked the Lord, "What's going on? What's going on there?" That shouldn't be. That shouldn't be!

3:20 time stamp: So, she came into the idea (an opinion or belief, an assumption) of a common theory that there was a lot of pleading the blood. She thought, "Well, we've done that for a long time. So, what's the deal with that? As she began to study and think about it, she realized this is not a biblical thing. It's not in the bible, but a twist on scriptures in Exodus 12. (She is referring to Exodus 12:7, 13) But it's not a true principal of the bible! (Never once does she say she prayed about this matter)

ALL OF THIS IS BASED ON HER ASSUMPTION. SHE MADE AN ASSUMPTION…. HER COMMON THEORY!

God's people are peculiar people (1 Peter 2:9) which means strange, odd or unusual. And peculiar things are known to happen to us at times. But to say that pleading the blood of Jesus is the cause of these people being sickly or dying is a HUGE assumption on her part.

I say this because there is more than one reason why a person or a Christian can be sick or dying. Everything is done or allowed for God's divine will to be accomplished. If you sin or are in disobedience which is also sin, then yes, these things can happen. But one must not forget the affliction of Job (Job 1:12-19 & Job 2:6-8) in our bible who we know in Job1:1 he is called perfect and upright, and one that feared God, and eschewed evil.

Although he was a man who loved and served God, he was allowed by God to be tried and tested by our enemy Satan. What did Satan use against Job. 1. Death...the death of his children 2. Sickness ...his body was struck with boils from head to toe 3. Took his wealth and possessions. All this was allowed by God, but it also shows us that the enemy can use these things against a righteous man or person who is not living in sin. Her assumption is faulty.

Also, we know that if we are on the front lines fighting for lost souls, we will become a bigger target and all these things and more will be thrown at us in Satan's attack. It does not mean we have sin in our lives as Christian warriors who fight in Jesus' mighty name!

(I WILL ADDRESS HER STATEMENT OF PLEADING THE BLOOD IS NOT A BIBLICAL PRINCIPAL A LITTLE LATER, LORD WILLING)

I want to touch briefly on her statements made concerning the three signs given to Moses which she says fills the gap between pleading the blood and how it causes you when you do this, to take the Lord's supper...communion unworthily and I will address this issue also backing all I say with the Bible itself as the Holy Spirit leads me a little later in this presentation.

The 3 signs found in Exodus 4.

1. Moses cast rod to ground and it becomes a serpent. (Exodus 4:2-4)
2. Leprous hand (Exodus 4:4-6) (This sign didn't happen at this time, but later when he showed the signs to Aaron & elders of Israel. Exodus 4:28)
3. Moses takes of the water of the river, and pour it upon the dry land and it becomes blood. (Exodus 4:9)

7:01 Time: Cherie says she asked God and he said rod cast to the ground represents Christ coming to the earth because of our sins.

7:54 Time: The second, the leprous hand where Moses places his hand inside his bosom and pulls it out and it's leprous, then places it back into his bosom and it reappears healed represents that Jesus came to bring healing to mankind.

8:25 Time: Third sign which is water turned into blood represents the blood guiltiness. It's the cross where Jesus shed his blood for us.

Here's what I don't understand. If the 2nd sign is supposed to represent Jesus bringing healing to all men, then why was it only shown to Aaron and the elders of Israel? It was never shown to Pharaoh or the Egyptians or the rest of the children of Israel according to scripture. They heard about it, but they didn't witness it. I'm asking this because these three signs are what she has built her foundation on, concerning the bridging of the gap from point A to B... from pleading the blood to taking the communion unworthily.

Exodus 4:28-31 28 And Moses told Aaron all the words of the LORD who had sent him, and all the signs which he had commanded him.
29 And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel:
30 And Aaron spake all the words which the LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people.
31 And the people believed: and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshiped.

8:14 Time: She makes the comment here, "And it says in the word of God that the world cannot contain volumes of books that were written of all the miracles that Christ did while he was on the earth.

She has misquoted this verse found in John 21:25 And there are also many other things which Jesus did, the which, if they should be written every one, I SUPPOSE that even the world itself could not contain the books that should be written. Amen. This is John's opinion, not a direct word.

I would like to address a few things that Pastor Dana Coverstone has said also and again I am doing this in love and trying to bring further understanding to all these things through the leading of the Holy Spirit and through Jesus' mighty name.

9:43 Time: Pastor Dana "Sometimes we don't really think about the principle of God's word and how they apply...and if it's not clearly in the scripture, my thinking is this and I know it's biblical. There should be principles by which we can still address those things and they will be in the word...the principles that are there. If it's not clearly spelled out, well some people will say there's gray areas."

10:33 Time: I think part of the problem we see sometimes in the church world is because there are people who do things and say things, but it's not really there in phrase. It's not stated there specifically as this. The principles shall show us what we can say or what we can't. How to live by it.

12:10 Time: My hope and my prayer is that people, and not just from the book (Talking about Mrs. Goff's book she is writing about pleading the blood being wrong) or anything else, but from the Word of God, understand the importance of the blood. What do you think about some of these phrases and things you may have heard. Things you were taught. I know people who just use the phrase, because they were taught… and I've asked some people where' the source on that? And not that I'm not that I'm anti pleading the blood people. We're not putting people down. But anything we are going to pray; those principles should be found in scriptures and God's going to honor things based upon his word.

Now I will address these issues in Jesus' name, for I do nothing within myself.

A principle is this: a fundamental truth or proposition that serves as the foundation for a system of belief or behavior or for a chain of reasoning.

I agree 100% with pastor Dana when he says, "There are no gray areas in the Bible, but not this If it's not clearly spelled out, well some people will say there's gray areas," or this statement, "I think part of the problem we see sometimes in the church world is because there are people who do things and say things, but it's not really there in phrase. It's not stated there specifically as this." Here is why:

There are many things in the Bible that doesn't give exact words or descriptions that clearly spells them out, but when you pull all the scriptures together and then looking at them in their context, you get and understanding of the principle being there. These scriptures are these principal foundations or the reasoning behind them.

Example: We know there is some type of legal system in heaven, but it's never called a court, court room or even throne room in the scriptures, the Holy Bible concerning it, but we know it's there, because of the other verses that support its existence. It's understood.

1. God's throne is in Heaven
Psalms 11:4 The LORD is in his holy temple, the LORD's throne is in heaven: his eyes behold, his eyelids try, the children of men.

2. There is a place in heaven where judgments are made and records are kept.
Revelation 20:11-15
11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.
12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.
13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

3. The Lord is the Judge, Law Giver and King.
Isaiah 33:22 For the LORD is our judge, the LORD is our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us.

4.There is a Judgment seat of Christ
2 Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

5. There is an accuser of the Brethren (Christians)
Revelation 12:10 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

6. We have and advocate with the Father through Christ Jesus who intercedes for us.
1 John 2:1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:

Romans 8:34 Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

WHY AM I BRINGING THIS UP? FOR THREE REASONS!

1. This is showing you that not all things are always clearly written out in the scriptures, but it's understood when, as I said prior, you pull all the scriptures from throughout the Bible and read them in their full context which brings a clear understanding of the whole picture. There is a legal court system in heaven with court proceeding that happens inside it. But the actual phrase courtroom or even throne room is never mentioned in the scriptures in reference when pertaining to the legal system in heaven. This does not mean it doesn't exist, because the phrase is not written. It exists alright. The other scriptures prove it. It's understood. It's applied knowledge!

2. Not all of us believe in pleading the blood, because we were brought up to do so, but have studied it out with the leading of the precious Holy Spirit who will teach us all things (John 14:26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

1 John 2:27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.)

The word to plead...pleading has more than one meaning. It doesn't only mean to make an emotional appeal. Which by the way the word "appeal" is used in the legal court systems, but this word also is a legal term meaning advocacy of a cause in the court of law. If you take the time to look up the definition of the word's petitions, prayer and supplications you will find they all have to do with asking and making request only on different levels of urgency that goes right with pleading in a court of heavenly law.

Jesus is our holy advocate. He intercedes for us. Salvation through Jesus, the power of his name and his precious, redemptive blood gives us rights over the devil with God. This is because God honors the blood and name of his son that has a name like no other given to him by the Father. It is because Jesus is the perfect, unblemished sacrifice and no other is needed for redemption.

When I approach the throne of grace boldly and enter through Jesus' name to stand before Father God making my petitions known unto him, I am standing on my spiritual rights that are legally mine through the blood that Jesus shed for me. Hebrews 4:16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.

When I come before the court of heaven in every circumstance I face in life, I have the legal right to enter a plea, a petition, an appeal. I then lay claim to the evidence which is his slain body, his shed blood on the cross, his ascension and the power of his holy name, which is proven to protect, to neutralize the power of sin, the power of affliction, the power of death and the power of hell. So yes, this is one way that I plead the blood of Jesus whether I face demonic, physical or personal attack, condemnation and even the temptation to sin. In addition, Jesus my Savior, will advocate for me and present my case, my situation to Father God.

3. I know it works. I also grew up in a Pentecostal church, but the church was actively working in the gifts of the Holy Spirit. I have seen miraculous healing, people delivered instantly from drugs, drunks saved and instantly sobered and demons cast out of people and many other things. I have even participated in the casting out of the demons as I got older as the Holy Spirit would lead.

I tell you this because in my younger years which would be around the ages of 7-11, when a demon would manifest and make its presence known, then as the elders of the church would begin praying. We, the children and the rest of the congregation were told to plead the blood of

Jesus over ourselves so that when the demon or demons were cast out, they would not re-enter into someone else.

We know they can do this by reading Matthew 24:43-45 which talks about the unclean spirit is gone out of a man and what it does or Mark chapter 5 which talks about the demon cast from the possessed man at the country of the Gadarenes that Jesus allowed to enter the herd of swine nearby. There was not one instance in which someone in our church was ever possessed by a departing demon cast out in the name of Jesus.

I can remember several times, at least 8 when demons were cast out in this little Pentecostal church in Tennessee while we pleaded the blood over us. As I got older and aided in the casting out of demons, we still pleaded the blood over ourselves and the congregation. Still, no one ever became possessed by the departing demon or demons. So, I ask this question, if there's no power in the blood to protect as in Mrs. Goff's theology in which says its only to forgive sins, then why did no one ever get possessed when demons were casts out? I say now, it did work. Pleading the blood did protect all of us. I was there! I saw it and participated in these things myself!

Also, there was a time when I was around the age of twelve, that I was sleeping when a demon entered my room. I felt its presence, but I was paralyzed with fear. All I could do was say to my lovely Jesus, "I plead your blood! I plead your blood," inside my mind. When I did, it stopped the demon from advancing any further into my room. I was protected by Jesus' precious blood! Could I see it? Yes, I saw it clearly. Then after a few minutes of pleading the blood, I was then able to scream in my mind, "JESUS," and when I did, I was released from the paralyzing fear and it left my room! But the pleading of Jesus blood, the most precious substance known in all creation to me, did indeed stop the demon from coming any closer to me!

Time mark 21:40: Cherie states: We're given the name of Jesus, the name above all names and that's the name we have the authority by...not the blood.... the name of Jesus. We have a weapon. We need to use the weapon that actually works for the situation which is the name of Jesus. It works against the enemy. We can cast out devils. We can see people healed through the name of Jesus. The blood is for the remissions of sin. If you want to repent, then that blood is automatically applied, because God is faithful and just to forgive if we ask for it. We don't have to demand it. We don't have to plead it!

She is correct in that the blood is for Salvation and is applied when we truly repent, but those of us who plead the blood of Jesus are not "demanding" it from God, we are petitioning, making our legal request to God to cover us continually in Jesus' redemptive and protective blood. Demanding is not even a definition of the word plead or pleading.

If you were to look at our natural blood that our God created as the Holy Spirit led me to do, then you would find it does so much more than just clean. The blood does many things...not just one single factor and if our natural blood does more than one thing, then how much more does Jesus' blood which was both God's and man do more than just one thing...more than just redeeming us from sin?

Here is what the natural blood does inside our bodies.

1. It transports oxygen from the lungs to all the tissues. On the way back to the heart and lungs it transports CO2
2. Nutrients are transported through the blood to all of the body's cells.
3. Clotting factors in the plasma of the blood, together with platelets contained in the blood, see to it that any tiny tears or holes are immediately plugged.
4. Infection is being contained by white blood cells inside the blood
5. It balances hormones and other signaling molecules that integrate the function of various organs.
6. It causes the skin to turn red when a person gets excited. It comes from dilated skin blood vessels. When they dilate, blood rushes into that region giving your skin a reddened appearance.

I would like to speak further in #5 the white blood cells

The white blood cells fight off infection and helps destroy bacteria, viruses, parasites and fungi making them harmless inside of our bodies. It's a purification process. Just like Jesus' blood fights off, cleanses and destroys and protects us from the effects of the enemy's sin which is the disease for man's soul that also separates us from God. Jesus' precious blood is also our protection and a defense against the enemy because Jesus is our shield, our Savior, our Deliverer, our High priest and so much more.

Yes, it is the name of Jesus where the power lies in a true believer of his to rebuke and resist Satan, our enemy, but Jesus' blood does protect. It heals, it cleans it redeems, pardons, shields and purges, but you can't tell me it has no protective power when I have seen and lived the proof within my own life.

16:38 Psalms 91 begins with Cherie saying: Psalms gives us this great outline of what we can do instead of pleading the blood.

As she begins, she makes these statements beginning at the 16:37 time mark that I shall summarize and address. This is basically what she is saying...To fill in the gap for those who no longer know what to say for pleading the blood, she likes Psalms 91. Then she makes this erroneous statement which is her opinion: 16:44 Time: Now if you always read in the King James version, it gets a little confusing, the last of who's speaking.

There is no confusion in God. 1 Corinthians 14: [33] For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints. It's clear to see when reading Psalms 91:14 where the conversation changes to God speaking because it starts like this: Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: We have a clear understanding who is speaking.

Before we read, we should pray for our understanding of the scriptures to be opened as Luke 24:45 shows us. Luke 24: [45] Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures. This is it only for his disciples that Jesus was talking to, but for all of us, because Romans 2:11 says this, "[11] For there is no respect of persons with God. So, I am not understanding how this can be misinterpreted or confusing.

Mrs. Goff goes to great lengths on how God protects us under the shadow of his wing found in Psalms 91 especially focusing on verse 4. This is true what she said but there is more in this verse alone than us being covered by his feathers and trusting him while under his wings.

Psalms 91:4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his **truth** shall be thy **shield** and **buckler**. I want to address the last part of this verse.

His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

What does a shield and buckler do?

Definition of shield: a broad piece of metal or another suitable material, held by straps or a handle attached on one side, used as a protection against blows or missiles. **But is also means a person or thing providing protection.**

What is a Buckler?

Definition: a small round shield held by a handle or worn on the forearm. So, it's a shield. It protects and covers also.

What is truth? The Word is truth.

John 17:17-19
17 Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.
18 As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.
19 And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.
Psalms 119:60
160 Thy word is true from the beginning: and every one of thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.
Who does the Bible say is truth? Jesus is the truth!
John 14:6
6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.
Psalms 18:2, 35
2 The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.
35 Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy right hand hath holden me up, and thy gentleness hath made me great.

I would like to make a reference at this time back to Pastor Dana's dream "The Specialist's" in which Miss Goff made comments about the blood of Jesus is taken internally when we drink the blood, but it's not a covering like the blood on the doorpost that was applied and covered by the children of Israel to keep the destroyer from coming into their homes and slaying their first born. (Exodus 12:21-23) I disagree and I will tell you why, but it will not be with an assumption, but by the pulling of information and scriptures in which it will then be presented to you under the leading of the Holy Spirit's guidance.

The death of the first born of all Egypt including their livestock was a judgment from the hand of God. The Passover lamb's blood was the covering that was sprinkled, applied to the doorpost to

protect all inside from the destroyer who when he saw the blood, passed over the dwelling and was spared the judgment of death. It was a covering, a shield of protection against the destroyer.

In 1 Corinthians 5:7 it says…. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: So, Jesus is distinctly called our Passover. If you study the Greek word for Passover in this passage of scripture you will find it is **Strong's G3957** *pascha* of Chaldean origin which means the paschal sacrifice (which was accustomed to be offered for the people's deliverance of old from Egypt).

The definition for paschal is this: the sacrifice that the Israelites offered on the first evening of Passover during the Temple period. It is the only definition given for this word, only written in various ways meaning the same exact thing. Clearly it means that Jesus our Passover in our new covenant has the same abilities, does the same things as the Exodus Passover lamb found in Exodus chapter 12 or another word would have been chosen.

Why is this important? Jesus' blood protects us from judgment. (2 Corinthians 5:17-19) God's absolute holiness, purity and righteousness does not allow him to overlook sin. When Father God sees the blood applied to the heart, covering it completely and washing it clean (Titus 3:5) then you are spared the judgment that a sinner deserves which is everlasting damnation in hell, in the lake of fire to come. His blood is like an atonement garment that covers our spiritual nakedness so we can come boldly into the presence of Almighty God as sons and daughters and not in shame. (Hebrews 4:16)

When you eat Jesus' flesh and drink his blood (John 6:53-58) which communion represents, then yes, it's inside your spirit, your soul and even your mortal bodies, because Jesus' blood also brings protection against sin. It fights off, cleanses and destroys the effects of the enemy's sin which is the disease for man's soul that separates us from God. This is just like the purification process found in the white blood cells in our natural body's blood that helps fight and helps destroy bacteria, viruses, parasites and fungi making them harmless inside of us.

When Jesus' blood is applied (like soap and water to clean us, although way better) it negates the effects of life-threatening sin that diseases the spirit and soul, plus can even cause harm and damage to the human body. Jesus' blood cleans and purifies, (1 John 1:7) but it also protects a soul from sin. It is a spiritual covering that protect the heart when you receive him into your heart as your Savior, but will also protects us as a shield from God's judgment at times like with the destroyer in Exodus 12.

So, when you are pleading the blood, pleading his blood to cover you, then you are actually saying these things. "Keep me safe from sin, from sinning," which is only possible if you stay in a state of continual humble repentance unto him. (Psalms 19:12-13, 1 Thessalonians 5:17) "Cover me in your blood Jesus. Shield me as you shielded the children of Israel from the destroyer for protection and so I will not sin against you."

This is us using our legal right as his children, covered in Jesus' blood to stand in the courts of heaven and make our petition, our pleas...and not our demands, known to God through Jesus' name. It is our legal right to even ask to be covered by Jesus' blood, because he is our shield of truth that protects us from the judgment of God like he did in Exodus 12. God is so very faithful.

This is only one of the ways we overcome our enemy Satan by the blood of Jesus, the blood of the Lamb, in addition the word of our testimony. (Revelation 12:11)

So just as the children of Israel applied the blood covering to the doorpost, to keep out the destroyer, so, must also the blood of Jesus be applied, covering our hearts and removing our sins which happens when we repent of our sins. This cleanses our hearts, but also will also protects us from the renounced judgment of eternal death by all whose hearts, whose souls are not covered by the blood of Jesus and seen by Father God. This is why Jesus is our shield, our covering and also is called the Passover, because when God sees the blood of his son, then he will look over you, pass over you when he separates the goats and the sheep. The goats, the sinners will then be cast into the lake of fire for all eternity on judgment day.

So, now you know why I am so passionate about this subject. I know personally the power of Jesus' blood working hand in hand with his name! It's not a weapon, but a shield, a covering of protection along with its redemptive power to save us. It's an impenetrable force that Satan can't get through, unless we ourselves choose to move out from under it or Father God allows him access to our lives for testing. Regardless it is still God who is in control of all things.

I had a young new Christian lady I know named Shyanne who sincerely asked Mrs. Goff a question under her post about pleading the blood and how it was wrong, because she is hungry to know all about Jesus that she can. She asked me to pray and then sent me a screen shot. She asked me and some others in a group, why Mrs. Goff who is supposed to be a pastor and a prophetess gave her such a response and with no scripture locations to back up what she was saying. Shyanne has given me permission to share this with you as the Lord leads. This is what is says. (read screen shot and show it.)

So, when Mrs. Goff stated that she found if it's true theology, you will see it two or three times in the word of God, because the word of God says by two or three witnesses every word will be established (in which she was referencing 2 Corinthians 13:1), you can back, you can prove your theory in the word of God if you have it in multiple places and in context. In context means if you read the scriptures above and below, or the chapter before and after, it still says what you are trying to say about it. (This is at 5:32 Time and runs to 6:02), this is exactly what I have done here in this information the Holy Spirit has led me to share.

1 John 2: [27] But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him.

I ask that you please pray in Jesus' name about all these things and do not accept any man's words, not even mine. Search them out in the holy scriptures, in the Holy Bible asking the Holy Spirit to teach you all things and he will teach you about Jesus, because Jesus is the truth.

Thank you! God bless and stay under the blood of Jesus always!

Are God & Jesus Christ Really One and How Does His Blood Have Power to Save?
Vicki Goforth Parnell 5-11-25

We are learning how the enemy operates and their devices mainly for the purpose of, "these things can't harm us." This is why we can stand upon Isaiah 54:17 which says, “No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.” All that we've uncovered, encountered and still to come is to let us know, "this can't touch us, that is powerless, this thing, that curse, that attack," cannot penetrate the Blood of Jesus Christ. Which is now the children of God's hedge of protection as is found in Job 1:9-10.

Job 1:9-10
9 Then Satan answered the Lord, and said, Doth Job fear God for nought?
10 Hast not thou made an hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side? thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land.

Isaiah 5:5 And now go to; I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard: I will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up; and break down the wall thereof, and it shall be trodden down:

The Blood of Jesus Christ marks us, cleanses us and seals us. He washes us clean. When we accept Jesus Christ into our hearts our garments become pristine clean with His righteousness and holiness. Jesus Christ has provided us a clean robe of righteousness that can be kept clean by a continual washing in his blood. His blood of repentance applied when we ask for forgiveness of our sin.

Cleanses verse:

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

Marked verse:

1 Peter 2:9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

His holiness and righteousness given verses:

Leviticus 19:2 Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them, Ye shall be holy: for I the Lord your God am holy.

Isaiah 61:10 I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath

clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

Clean ourselves up verses:

2 Corinthians 7:1 Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

James 4:8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

Ephesians 4:1 I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,

Sealed by Salvation/Blood/Holy Spirit once we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord verses:

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

Ephesians 1:13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

As in everyday life, sometimes our clothes, our garments get dirty. Some deliberately while some is accidental. For example, going outside and jumping in a mud puddle will cause dirty water to splatter and most likely you will have spots of muddy, dirty water on your clothes. On the other side of this you can be accidentally spotted meaning it wasn't your intention to get dirty. You can be walking outside and a car drives by and instead of playing in the mud puddle by choice you get splattered by it covering you in its filth. The same is with sin. Then you have a dirty garment covered with stains.

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

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Only the Blood of Jesus Christ can take the stains of sin out of our lives. This is why we are called to repent even after we've accepted Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. This is why the Word says in Isaiah 1:16 "Wash you, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes; cease to do evil." The cleaning process is repenting of your sin. His Blood can wash the garments of our souls clean for the first time or once again. The continual washing away of our sins is needed because of the sin-filled world we live in and the interactions we have

directly, or indirectly with other people, other inhabitants in our world in addition to our warfare against the kingdom of darkness. Once clean by His blood then we need to maintain the cleanliness of our garment by doing all the Word of God tells us to do in obedience and love to Him. When you have a garment with a stain that did not come out then you know the person's repentance was not genuine. Otherwise the Blood of Jesus Christ would have cleaned and removed it because it washes all sin away for those who ask for true forgiveness of their sins.

Ephesians 1:6-7
6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. 7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

1 John 2:2
2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.
3 And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his commandments.
4 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.
5 But whoso keepeth his word, in him verily is the love of God perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.
6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked.

If there is found to be a permanent stain on a once cleaned pure garment cleansed by Jesus Christ's Blood then this is one that He has marked as a reprobate or one that has blasphemed the Holy Spirit. These are those due to their continual rejection of the sweet Holy Spirit's call to repent through His convicting power that are given permanently over to Satan and Lucifer. Meaning they have rejected both the sweet Holy Spirit's call to repent and Jesus Christ truly as the Lord. Without the Blood of Jesus Christ washing someone clean then there's no cleansing away the spots of sin on one's garments before Salvation's gift is received or after. Repentance is needed to maintain the cleanliness of our garments. Along with a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and obedience to His Holy Word.

How do we remain clean in Jesus Christ? Through repentance. When we repent then there's nothing between us and our Lord Jesus Christ. There are no hindrances, our hearing is clear, the sweet Holy Spirit's voice is clear so His directions are easier to follow. Our hunger for the Word of God increases as well as our desire to spend time with Him. Everyday living can sometimes cause us to inadvertently get a spot of stain upon our clean garments. This can come about by a heated argument with angry words when spoken we've not repented of. It can be by wrongful actions or reactions, even vain thoughts not taken captive and under control in Jesus Christ's Name that leads into sinful thinking. There's power in Jesus Christ's Name and Blood to overcome all things in life.

1 Corinthians 10:3-5
3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)
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;

Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

1 John 5:4-5
4 For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.
5 Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?

Romans 8:37 Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

1 Corinthians 10:13 There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

Sometimes we don't recognize we have sinned and spotted our garments until Sweet Holy Ghost Spirit starts convicting us of these sins. When you have a garment that gets a stain on it, the sooner you wash it the easier it comes out. Otherwise if you leave it unwashed or untreated with stain remover that stain sets into the fabric and becomes more stubborn and difficult to get out, to wash out. The same is with sin. If you don't deal with sin's removal in your life and repent when you're convicted by the sweet Holy Spirit it becomes harder for you to let go of it and allow it to be removed. Meaning like a stubborn stain in a garment that sin will set in deeper in that spot of your life by your refusal to acknowledge and/or deal with that sin in your life.

What I mean by harder to remove is for that person and not the power of Jesus Christ's Blood to remove it. Some people have grown comfortable in their sins even liking the feel of them. For example is this: you have a favorite comfortable shirt. You don't care how many spots or blemishes it has on it. You like it and refuse to get rid of it even to take it off for washing. Such is a way of sinning when you refuse to let it go. You refuse to give it to Jesus Christ and let Him wash it clean for you. If you allow Him to wash you clean you will find His garment He gives you free from sin is clean, spotless, lightweight, and when you become accustomed to the cleanliness of it you will find you had wished you had allowed Him to wash it, wash you clean sooner.

John 16:8-9
8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of

judgment: 9 Of sin, because they believe not on me;

2 Corinthians 7:9-10
9 Now I rejoice, not that ye were made sorry, but that ye sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage by us in nothing.
10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

Jesus Christ, His Name, His Blood does all this but you have to want to be clean. You have to be the one to make the choice to accept Jesus Christ into your heart so you can be washed clean from your sins. The only thing in existence that will ever have the power to do so is His Blood. This is because He is God's Son. He is God inside a fleshly body of man. So His blood, the Blood of God could be shed for His creation of man. He had to take on the form of a fleshly man because He is a Spirit. In a body made of flesh it was now possible for His Blood to be spilled and given for man's sins. Because Jesus Christ became flesh and was born of woman, he was both human, and God, the Son. That is why Jesus Christ referred to Father God as My God as well as My Father and didn't equate Himself equal to God while on earth in the fleshy body in which His full glory hadn't been restored yet. Yet at other times He referenced Himself as God which was referring to His person which was the Word placed into the flesh, His Spirit being and not the body of flesh.

God is a Spirit verses:
John 4:24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth

Jesus Christ is God verses:

John 20:28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

Hebrews 1:8-9
8 But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.
9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

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

Colossians 2:9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. **Isaiah 9:6** For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

John 14:9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not

known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?

1 Timothy 3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

Revelation 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.
Note: Jesus Christ calls Himself the Almighty, a name given to Father God in the Old Testament 48 times and in the New Testament 8 times.

God took His own words and fashioned them into a fleshly body. He created Himself a Son that was fully Himself yet separate.

Hebrews 10:5 Wherefore when he cometh into the world, he saith, Sacrifice and offering thou wouldest not, but a body hast thou prepared me:

John 1:1-2; 14
1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
2 The same was in the beginning with God.
14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

1 John 5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

When we speak words that leave our mouth they're still part of us. We spoke them. They belong to us even though they have left our physical presence. So it is with Jesus Christ begotten by Father God when He created His words to form His Son that could die for our world. Jesus Christ is God. He is His words. He is a part of Him. They are of One Being. One Spirit. Yet divided to serve a purpose. And that purpose is redemption of the human race mankind. So Jesus Christ is a literal part of Father God the Creator of All who when He speaks things are created out of nothing. Out of His words.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life.

When I speak or when I make an action they belong to me. They are part of me although when my words are spoken or my actions are done they're no longer physically attached to me but they're still mine. Even if I tried to lie and say they weren't mine they are still a literal part of existence belonging to me. And since this connection is invisible to the naked eye it's spiritual. I'm still spiritually connected to all I say and do. Like some type of a spiritual signature. This

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how a record is kept of all we say and do besides a recorder in our minds. This way this record of all we do while living here on Earth gives judgment against us good or bad on Judgment Day.

Revelation 20:11-15
11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.
12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.
13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.
14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Ecclesiastes 11:9 Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth, and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eyes: but know thou, that for all these things God will bring thee into judgment.

1 Peter 4:5-6
5 Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.
6 For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.

It's by this spiritual connection to all we say and do, or spiritual signature Jesus Christ Blood is able to wash all our sins clean that are connected to us and not those of the whole world of those who have not repented and haven't accepted Him as their Lord and Savior. This is also how it is possible for there are spiritual signature marking and identifying our every deed, word and action that all records of past sins can be removed and marked out of existence and our names then written in the Lamb's Book of Life when we accept Jesus Christ into our hearts.

So Jesus Christ is God, His words, His voice made into flesh. When created as a man God also created Jesus Christ with a physical voice of His own so when it comes time for Jesus Christ to return judgment back to Father God He still has a voice to speak on His own. This is why also
Jesus Christ while on the earth could do nothing but Father God's will. Because He was the created words of God Himself. By being God He was able to endure what no other created man could do. Become the Savior of our world. This is and was impossible for any other to do. This is how it's possible for Jesus Christ to be God in the flesh. This is how they are: The same Spirit being yet also different because God created the body for His words to reside in. This is how it's possible for the words of John 10:30 to be fully true which say, I and My Father are One.

Those who would want to argue that your words are no longer a part of you I refer you to our court system here on earth. Which is far less righteous than Father God's Court in heaven. You

can be convicted for your actions and words spoken. If you kill people you can be convicted for those actions. These actions still belong to you. You're still connected to them. They are part of you even though they're separate from you now. Or if you threaten to kill someone or burn their homes down. You can end up in jail or sent to a mental institute because your words are still part of you, of who you are here on Earth. Showing how our actions, our deeds and our words are all still a part of us, we're still spiritually connected. We are one in the same yet separate from our
physical being of our actions, deeds and words that are spoken. Just like Father God and Jesus Christ are the same. They are God yet they are separate.

More on Jesus Christ is God

God is the Creator. Genesis 1:1
Jesus Christ is the Creator. Colossians 1:16

God is the First and the Last. Isaiah 41:4
Jesus Christ is the First and the Last. Revelation 22:13

God is the giver of life. Deuteronomy 32:39
Jesus Christ gives Himself life in the resurrection. John 2:19

God is called “Mighty God” Deuteronomy 10:17, Nehemiah 9:32, Psalms 50:1, plus 5 more
Jesus Christ is called “Mighty God” Isaiah 9:6

God declares He is the “I AM” Exodus 3:14
Jesus Christ declares He is the “I AM” John 8:58

God never changes Malachi 3:6
Jesus Christ never changes Hebrews 13:8

God is from everlasting Psalm 93:1–2
Jesus Christ is from everlasting Micah 5:2

God is the only Savior Isaiah 43:11
Jesus Christ is the only Savior Luke 2:11, John 4:42, Titus 1:4

God is the judge of the earth Genesis 18:25, Psalm 94:1–2
Jesus Christ is the judge of the earth John 5:22

God forgives sins Psalms 103:2–3, Mark 2:7
Jesus Christ forgives sins Mark 2:5

God is worshipped by angels Revelation 7:11
Jesus Christ is worshipped by angels Hebrews 1:6

God alone is glorified Isaiah 42:8

Jesus Christ is glorified by God John 17:5, John 5:23, Hebrews 1:8

If Jesus Christ isn't God then He really, really, really sounds like Him. Here's the thing that really sealed it for me: God declares Jesus Christ is God in the written Word. I've already mentioned Hebrews 1:8 But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. But there's more. God bestows upon the Messiah the Name of Jesus who is Jesus Christ which is above every Name.

Philippians 2:9-11
9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:
10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;
11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Does that mean that Jesus Christ's Name is above God's special holy Name, YHVH? Yes, since Jesus is the "Name which is above every name"!
Unless God is committing idolatry and exalting His creation above Himself then Jesus Christ must be God (not His body but His person). It is not idolatry if God gives to Himself the Name which is above every Name. It is entirely fitting and appropriate!

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. (John 1:1–2) And the Word became flesh [i.e. the body of Jesus] , and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the holy begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John 1:14)

Related verses:
Romans 5:1-5; 1 John 5:18; Philippians 1:11; Romans 8:4-6; Hebrews 9:14; 1 Peter 1:16-18; 1 Corinthians 15:24

Please take this to Jesus Christ in prayer. Try, discern, and test this as we're all called to do in the mighty name of Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5:21 and 1st John 4:1 among many other verses tell us this is something we are called to do as children of the most high God.

Can the 144000 Scripturally Be Both Male and Female?

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Please pray about all this in Jesus Christ's Mighty all-powerful Name and try/test the spirits as 1 John 4:1-3; 13-15 & 1 Corinthians 12:3 warns us and instructs us each to do for our own safety and for those we love. I pray in Jesus Christ's Name right now that all ears and eyes willing to know the truth be opened with their hearts to be softened in advance to receive His truth…not mine.

Here are the verses which people try to argue or simply misunderstood having failed to pull the true meaning from other sources in the Holy Bible and/or letting the sweet Holy Spirit teach them as it's written He will do in John 14:26.

Revelation 14:4-5

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.

4 These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

5 And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.

We know from verse 3 the 144,000 are those who have been redeemed…saved by Jesus Christ.

This verse in Revelation 14:4 is talking about those who have not defiled themselves with women. What does this actually mean? It's assumed they are male only but could it in reality be referring to both male or female? Let's see what the scripture says about it because it does say there is no respect of persons with God. This means we are all the same in His eyes.

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

Ats 10:34 Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

Lord willing, let's examine this closer. Sweet Holy Spirit in Jesus Christ's Name please lead us.

The Greek word for women in Revelation 14:4 is Strong's G1135 gynē. It means a woman…especially a wife .. not just women as it has been translated to fit the text translation. The "they" in this scripture are not defiled by or married to the world but to Jesus Christ. They are faithful to Him. We know this by the rest of the verse itself. They are married/follow the Lamb who is Jesus Christ.

The word virgins in verse 4 is Strong's G3933 parthenos which means:

3933 *parthénos* – properly, a *virgin*; a woman who has never had sexual relations; a female (virgin), beyond puberty but not yet married; (figuratively) *believers* when they are pure (chaste), i.e. faithful to Christ their heavenly Bridegroom (2 Cor 11:2; Rev 14:4). (Bible Hub website word study site)

Why is this important? Because Father God according to His Word is our husband and Jesus Christ is referred to as our bridegroom. Our betrothed. We are either married to the world or to Father God/Jesus Christ.

Verses about Jesus Christ as our Bridegroom spoken and symbolically.

Matthew 9: 15 And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.

Luke 5:34-35

34 And he said unto them, Can ye make the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?

35 But the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken away from them, and then shall they fast in those days.

Revelation 19:7 Let us rejoice and be glad and give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and His bride has made herself ready.

John 3: 29 He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled.

Symbolically

Matthew 25:1-13

*****God our husband verses: ******

Israel 54:5-6

5 For thy Maker is thine husband; the LORD of hosts is his name; and thy Redeemer the Holy One of Israel; The God of the whole earth shall he be called.

6 For the LORD hath called thee as a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when thou wast refused, saith thy God.

Here we see where God calls Himself Husband to His people. (remember those who are saved by Jesus Christ are grafted into the vine and become heirs and joint heirs also to the kingdom of God and the promises of Abraham. Here also in verse 6 we see the land (part of earth) referred to as a female…a woman forsaken…a wife.

Other places mentioned are:

Jeremiah 31:32 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:

Hosea 2:16; 19

16 And it shall be at that day, saith the LORD, that thou shalt call me Ishi; and shalt call me no more Baali. (Ishi is Stong's H376= man; husband) Bali is Strong's H1180 = my Lord; master)

19 And I will betroth thee unto me for ever; yea, I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.

Betrothal in Bible days was the same as being married without them coming together in the flesh as one in the eyes of God. (Joseph & Mary is one example: Matthew 1:18-20)

If you have accepted Jesus Christ into your heart you are now married/betrothed to Father God and Jesus Christ who are one according to John 10:30.

So you are either married to one or the other. Father God/Jesus Christ or the world.

In the parable of the 10 virgins in Matthew 25:1-13 which is symbolic of Jesus Christ as our bridegroom coming for those of His bride who are ready, being pure undefiled virgins living holy lives with their lamps full of oil. The other 5 virgin's lamps were empty. Take notice here and see how all the bride of Christ is made up of both male and female and are categorized as virgins. The word virgins here is the word used for virgins in Revelation 14:4 Strong's G3933 parthenos. It would appear that Revelation 14:4's virgins are both male and female but let's seek out more information in Jesus Christ's Name from the Word of God.

We who are redeemed by the Blood of Jesus Christ are all called to be kings and of the royal priesthood through our acceptance of Jesus Christ into our hearts. We are all the same with none being different from one and another.

Here are the scriptures to show this truth.

Galatians 3:26-29

26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

Revelation 1:5-6

5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

6 And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 2: 4-10

4 To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,

5 Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

7 Unto you therefore which believe he is precious: but unto them which be disobedient, the stone which the builders disallowed, the same is made the head of the corner,

8 And a stone of stumbling, and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

10 Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

The 144000 are those of Jewish DNa or descent who have kept themselves undefiled from the world and its pleasures of sin. Remember, there is no respect of persons with Jesus Christ and Father God. It's written in His Word in Romans 2:11.

His true children are kings and priests. They are those who do not defile themselves with the world because we no longer belong to it. We are called to separate from the world. Come out from among it. We are to abstain and live holy undefiled lives in Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 6: 14-18

14 Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

17 Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.

18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

John 15:8-9

8 If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you.

19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

20 Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.

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9 Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
Titus 2:13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;
Colossians 2:9 For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.
John 14:9 Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?
1 Timothy 3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.
Revelation 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.
Note: Jesus Christ calls Himself the Almighty, a name given to Father God in the Old Testament 48 times and in the New Testament 8 times.
****God took His own words and fashioned them into a fleshly body. He created Himself a Son that was fully Himself yet separate.***John 1:1-2; 14
1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 The same was in the beginning with God.
14 And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.
1 John 5:7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

God is the Creator
Genesis 1:1 In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.
Jesus Christ is the Creator.
Colossians 1:16 For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

God is the First and the Last.
Isaiah 41:4 Who hath wrought and done it, calling the generations from the beginning? I the LORD, the first, and with the last; I am he.

Jesus Christ is the First and the Last.
Revelation 22:13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

God is the Giver of life.
Deuteronomy 32:39 See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand
Jesus Christ gives Himself life in the resurrection.
John 2:19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

God is called "Mighty God"
Deuteronomy 10:17 For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord of lords, a great God, a mighty, and a terrible, which regardeth not persons, nor taketh reward:
Nehemiah 9:32 Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem little before thee, that hath come upon us, on our kings, on our princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers, and on all thy people, since the time of the kings of Assyria unto this day.
Psalms 50:1The mighty God, even the LORD, hath spoken, and called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the going down thereof.
Jesus Christ is called "Mighty God"
Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

God declares He is the "I AM"
Exodus 3:14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you.
Jesus Christ declares He is the "I AM"
John 8:58 Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am.

God never changes
Malachi 3:6 For I am the LORD, I change not; therefore ye sons of Jacob are not consumed.
Jesus Christ never changes
Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

God is from everlasting
Psalms 93:1–2 (1) The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved. (2) Thy throne is established of old: thou art from everlasting.
Jesus Christ is from everlasting
Micah 5:2 But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.

God is the only Savior
Isaiah 43:11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

Jesus Christ is the only Savior
Luke 2:11 For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.
John 4:42 And said unto the woman, Now we believe, not because of thy saying: for we have heard him ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ, the Saviour of the world.
Titus 1:4 To Titus, mine own son after the common faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.

God is the Judge of the earth
Genesis 18:25 That be far from thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?
Psalm 94:1–2 (1) O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth, shew thyself. (2) Lift up thyself, thou judge of the earth: render a reward to the proud.
Jesus Christ is the Judge of the earth
John 5:22 For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the Son:

God forgives sins
Psalms 103:2–3 (2) Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: (3) Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases;
Mark 2:7 Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?
Jesus Christ forgives sins
Mark 2:5 When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee.

God is worshipped by angels
Revelation 7:11 And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,
Jesus Christ is worshipped by angels
Hebrews 1:6 And again, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.

God alone is glorified and will not give His glory to another
Isaiah 42:8 I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.
Jesus Christ is glorified by God
John 17:5 And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.
John 5:23 That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father. He that honoureth not the Son honoureth not the Father which hath sent him.
Hebrews 1:8 But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.
Matthew 16:27 For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

God is the Healer

Deuteronomy 32:39 See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand.
Psalms 30:2 O Lord my God, I cried unto thee, and thou hast healed me.
Psalms 147:3 He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds.

Jesus Christ the Word is the Healer

Psalms 107:20 He sent his word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.
Matthew 9:35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.
Luke 6:19 And the whole multitude sought to touch him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed them all.

If Jesus Christ isn't God then He really, really, really sounds like Him. Here's the thing that really sealed it for me: God declares Jesus Christ is God in the written Word. I've already mentioned Hebrews 1:8 But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom. But there's more. God bestows upon the Messiah the Name of Jesus who is Jesus Christ which is above every Name.
Philippians 2:9-11
9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:
10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;
11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
Does that mean that Jesus Christ's Name is above God's special holy Name, YHVH? Yes, since Jesus is the "Name which is above every name"!
Unless God is committing idolatry and exalting His creation above Himself then Jesus Christ must be God (not His body but His person). It is not idolatry if God gives to Himself the Name which is above every Name. It is entirely fitting and appropriate!
John 1:1–2 (1) In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (2) The same was in the beginning with God.
John 1:14 And the Word was made flesh [referring to the body of Jesus] , and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

Related Verses:

Romans 5:1-5, 1 John 5:18, Philippians 1:11, Romans 8:4-6, Hebrews 9:14, 1 Peter 1:16-18, 1 Corinthians 15:24

Fighting Fear with the Word of God Vicki Goforth Parnell

With all the uncertainties that lie ahead for us in our world today, if we are not careful, we may find ourselves battling the spirit of fear. The Lord Jesus Christ spoke to me last night and instructed me to remind His children what's in His Holy Word concerning the spirit of fear.

There are two kinds of fear...fear that torments and causes you to be terrified. This kind is demonic. Then there is the fear that is part of our emotions that when something is wrong it will spurn you into action to help preserve you. This is of God but you should not let it be turned into the other kind of fear. Remember the enemy is crafty and sly. He is deceitful and full of hate for us. But I say stand firm in Jesus Christ our Lord and mighty Savior's Name and remember the words written in 1 John 4: 4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Here are some verses to help you stand against the demons of fear. Be blessed in Jesus Christ and stay under His Blood always.

1. 1 John 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.
2. 2 Timothy 1:7 For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.
3. Romans 8:15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.
4. Revelation 2:10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.
5. Psalms 34:4 I sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.
6. Psalms 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.
7. Psalms 27:1 The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
8. Psalms 46:2 Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;
9. Psalms 49:5 Wherefore should I fear in the days of evil, when the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?
10. Psalms 56:4 In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.
11. Psalms 118:6 The Lord is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?
12. Proverbs 1:33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil.
13. Proverbs 3:25 Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.
14. Isaiah 14:3 And it shall come to pass in the day that the Lord shall give thee rest from thy sorrow, and from thy fear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve,

15. Isaiah 35:4 Say to them that are of a fearful heart, Be strong, fear not: behold, your God will come with vengeance, even God with a recompence; he will come and save you.
16. Isaiah 41:10 Fear thou not; for I am with thee: be not dismayed; for I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea, I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness.
17. Isaiah 41:13-14
    (13)For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.
    (14)Fear not, thou worm Jacob, and ye men of Israel; I will help thee, saith the Lord, and thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.
18. Isaiah 43:1 But now thus saith the Lord that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine.
19. Isaiah 43:5 Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather thee from the west;
20. Isaiah 44:8 Fear ye not, neither be afraid: have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it? ye are even my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.
21. Isaiah 51:7 Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings
22. Isaiah 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.
23. Jeremiah 30:10 Therefore fear thou not, O my servant Jacob, saith the Lord; neither be dismayed, O Israel: for, lo, I will save thee from afar, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and shall be in rest, and be quiet, and none shall make him afraid.
24. Jeremiah 32:40 And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.
25. Jeremiah 46:27-28
    (27) But fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed, O Israel: for, behold, I will save thee from afar off, and thy seed from the land of their captivity; and Jacob shall return, and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make him afraid.
    (28)Fear thou not, O Jacob my servant, saith the Lord: for I am with thee; for I will make a full end of all the nations whither I have driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee, but correct thee in measure; yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.
26. Lamentations 3:57 Thou drewest near in the day that I called upon thee: thou saidst, Fear not.
27. Ezekiel 3:9 As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead: fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.
28. Joel 2:21 Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things.
29. Haggai 2:5 According to the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Egypt, so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.

30. Zechariah 8:13 And it shall come to pass, that as ye were a curse among the heathen, O house of Judah, and house of Israel; so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not, but let your hands be strong.
31. Matthew 10:26 Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.
32. Matthew 10:28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.
33. Matthew 10:31 Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.
34. Luke 12:7 But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows.
35. Luke 12:32 Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.
36. Hebrews 13:6 So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me.
37. Revelation 2:10 Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

FEAR NOT IN BATTLE

1. Deuteronomy 3:22 Ye shall not fear them: for the Lord your God he shall fight for you.
2. Deuteronomy 11:25 There shall no man be able to stand before you: for the Lord your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said unto you.
3. Deuteronomy 31:6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.
4. Deuteronomy 31:8 And the Lord, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.
5. Joshua 10:25 And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the Lord do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.
6. 2 Kings 6:16 And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them.
7. 2 Kings 17:39 But the Lord your God ye shall fear; and he shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.
8. Psalms 27:3 Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.
9. Psalms 34:7 The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.
10. Psalms 64:1 Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer: preserve my life from fear of the enemy.
11. Psalms 78:53 And he led them on safely, so that they feared not: but the sea overwhelmed their enemies.
12. Luke 1:74 That he would grant unto us, that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies might serve him without fear,

13. Philippians 1:14 And many of the brethren in the Lord, waxing confident by my bonds, are much more bold to speak the word without fear.
14. Jude 23 And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.