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THE SALVATION EXPERIENCE

There Are 3 Basic Reasons To Believe The Bible Is The Infallible And Pure Word of God

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1. No Human Would Have Written A Standard This High. Think of the best person you know. You must admit he would have left certain Scriptures out had he written the Bible. So the Bible projects an inhuman standard and way of life. It has to be God because no man you know would have ever written a standard that high.

2. There Is An Aura, A Climate, A Charisma, A Presence The Bible Generates Which No Other Book In The World Creates. Lay an encyclopedia on your table at the restaurant—nobody will look at you twice. But when you lay your Bible on the table, they will stare at you, watch you chew your food, and even read your license plate when you get in your car! Why? The Bible creates the presence of God and forces a reaction in the hearts of men.

3. The Nature of Man Is Changed When He Reads The Bible. Men change. Peace enters into their spirits. Joy wells up within their lives. Men like what they become when they read this book. Men accept Christ, because this Bible says Jesus Christ is the Son of God and that all have sinned and the wages of sin will bring death; the only forgiveness that they can find is through Jesus, the Son of God.

3 Basic Reasons For Accepting Christ

1. You Need Forgiveness. At some point in your life, you will want to be clean. You will hate guilt; you will crave purity. It is a built-in desire toward God, and you will have to address that appetite at some point in your life.

2. You Need A Friend. You may be sitting there saying, "But don't I have friends?" Yes, but you have never had a friend like Jesus. Nobody can handle the information about your life as well as He can. He is the most consistent relationship you will ever know. Human friends vacillate in their reaction, depending on your mood or theirs. Jesus Christ never changes His opinion of you. Nobody can tell Him anything which will change His mind about you. You cannot enjoy His world without His companionship.

3. You Need A Future. All men have a built-in need for immortality, a craving for an eternity. God placed it within us. D.L. Moody once made a statement, "One of these days you are going to hear that I'm dead and gone. When you do, don't believe a word of it. I'll be more alive then, than at any other time in my life." Each of us wonders about eternity. What is death like? What happens when I die? Is there a hell? A Heaven? A God? A devil? What happens? Every man wants to be around tomorrow. The only guarantee you will have of a future is to have the eternal One on the inside of you. He is Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

The Gospel means Good News: you can change;

your sins can be forgiven; your guilt can be dissolved. God loves you. He wants to be the difference in your life. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God," (Rom. 3:23). "For the wages of sin is death," (Rom. 6:23). You might say, what does that mean? It means that all unconfessed sin will be judged and penalized, but that is not the end of the story. The second part of verse 23 says, "but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." What does that mean? It means that between the wrath and judgment of God upon your sin, Jesus Christ the Son of God stepped in and absorbed your judgment and your penalty for you. God says if you recognize and respect Him and His worth as the Son of God, judgment will be withheld, and you will receive a pardon, forgiveness of all your mistakes.

What do you have to do? If you believe in your heart that Jesus is the Son of God and that God raised Him from the dead on the third day, and confess that with your mouth, then you will be saved (read Rom. 10:9-10). What does the word "saved" mean? Removed from danger. It simply means if you respect and recognize the worth of Jesus Christ, God will take you out of the danger zone and receive you as a child of the most high God. What is His gift that you are to receive? His Son. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life," (Jn. 3:16). How do you accept His Son? Accept His mercy. How do you reject your sins? Confess them and turn away from them. "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness," (1 Jn. 1:9). That is the Gospel.

God Never Consults Your Past To Decide Your Future.

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≈ 1 ∞ Surviving Child Abuse

I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about. *Ps. 3:6*

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple. *Ps. 27:3-4*

When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up. Ps. 27:10

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him, upon them that hope in His mercy. *Ps. 33:18*

The proud have forged a lie against me: but I will keep Thy precepts with my whole heart. *Ps. 119:69*

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in Him. Lam. 3:24

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Matt. 6:26

At the same time came the disciples unto Jesus, saying, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven?

And Jesus called a little child unto Him, and set him in the midst of them,

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.

Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of Heaven. Matt. 18:1-4

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.

Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in Heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

Matt. 18:6, 14

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. *Rom. 8:35, 37*

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Phil. 4:13

≈ 2 ≈ Surviving Mental Anguish

And the Lord turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before. Job 42:10

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For His anger endureth but a moment; in His favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. Ps. 30:5

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Ps. 55:22

Great peace have they which love Thy law: and nothing shall offend them. Ps. 119:165

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee.

Isa. 26:3

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. Isa. 41:10 When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. Isa. 43:2

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For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed. *Isa. 50:7*

For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace. 1 Cor. 14:33

While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. 2 Cor. 4:18

And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

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

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:23, 31-32*

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

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true,

whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. *Phil. 4:6-8*

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

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

But the Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:16-18

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. 1 Pet. 1:13

≈ 3 ≈ Surviving False Accusation

For the Lord will not forsake His people for His great name's sake: because it hath pleased the Lord to make you His people. *1 Sam. 12:22*

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I have hated them that regard lying vanities: but I trust in the Lord. Ps. 31:6

Yet the Lord will command His lovingkindness in the day time, and in the night His song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life. *Ps. 42:8*

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, Thou wilt revive me: Thou shalt stretch forth Thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and Thy right hand shall save me. Ps. 138:7

The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment. *Prov. 12:19*

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Remember ye not the former things, neither

consider the things of old.

Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

Isa. 43:2, 18-19

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. Isa. 54:17

The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and He knoweth them that trust in Him. Nah. 1:7

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

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.

For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned. *Matt. 12:35, 37*

For many bare false witness against Him, but their witness agreed not together. Mk. 14:56

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. *Lk. 10:19*

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me. Jn. 14:1 God forbid: yea, let God be true, but every man a liar; as it is written, That thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged. *Rom. 3:4*

Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Eph. 4:25

Above all, taking the shield of faith, where with ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. $Eph. \ 6:16$

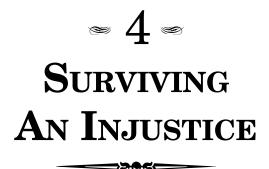
But the Lord is faithful, Who shall stablish you, and keep you from evil. 2 Thess. 3:3

And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto His Heavenly kingdom: to Whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. 2 *Tim.* 4:18

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.

Heb. 10:30

If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part He is evil spoken of, but on your part He is glorified. *1 Pet. 4:14*



And they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee: for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee. Ps. 9:10

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Ps. 23:3

When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up. Ps. 27:10

Hide me from the secret counsel of the wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity. *Ps.* 64:2

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven.

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake.

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in Heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. Matt. 5:10-12

Then came Peter to Him, and said, Lord, how oft

shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? till seven times?

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

Matt. 18:21-22

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. Mk. 11:25

Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass against thee, rebuke him; and if he repent, forgive him. Lk. 17:3

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

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

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:31-32*

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

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

Heb. 13:6

For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. *1 Pet. 2:20*

Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile. *1 Pet. 3:9-10*

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:

But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when His glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.

If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part He is evil spoken of, but on your part He is glorified. *1 Pet. 4:12-14*

≈ 5 ∞ Surviving A Diagnosis of A Terminal Disease

And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee. *Ex. 15:26*

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Because thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that pass away:

And thine age shall be clearer than the noonday: thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

Job 11:16-17

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Ps. 27:14

The Lord will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. *Ps.* 41:2 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. Prov. 3:5

In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and His children shall have a place of refuge. *Prov.* 14:26

For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off. *Prov.* 23:18

In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him, and said unto him, Thus saith the Lord, Set thine house in order: for thou shalt die, and not live.

Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and prayed unto the Lord.

Then came the word of the Lord to Isaiah, saying,

Go, and say to Hezekiah, Thus saith the Lord, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will add unto thy days fifteen years. Isa. 38:1-2, 4-5

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.

Isa. 53:5

Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.

For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. Jer. 17:7-8 The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in Him. Lam. 3:24

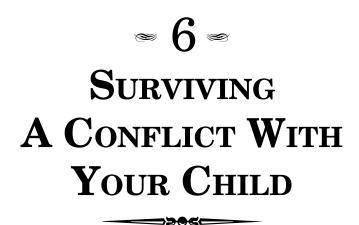
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For she said, If I may touch but His clothes, I shall be whole.

And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague. Mk. 5:28-29

For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. *Rom.* 15:4

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. 1 Jn. 4:4



A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife. Prov. 15:1, 18

He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city. Prov. 16:32

Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it.

Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child; but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him.

Prov. 22:6, 15

By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone. *Prov.* 25:15

Scornful men bring a city into a snare: but wise men turn away wrath.

The rod and reproof give Wisdom: but a child left

to himself bringeth his mother to shame.

Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul. *Prov. 29:8, 15, 17*

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof; and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. Eccl. 7:8

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

Song 8:7

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

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.

But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned. *Matt.* 12:35-37

And as ye would that men should do to you, do ye also to them likewise. *Lk. 6:31*

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. *Gal. 6:9*

Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath. Eph. 4:26 And, ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath: but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Eph. 6:4

But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. Col. 3:8

And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient.

2 Tim. 2:24

Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.

James 1:3-4, 19

But the Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:17-18

≈ 7 ≈ Surviving A Conflict With Your Parents

Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Ex. 20:12

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If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Rom. 12:18

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

forgiven you.

Eph. 4:32

Children, obey your parents in the Lord: for this is right.

Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;

That it may be well with thee, and thou may est live long on the earth. Eph. 6:1-3

Do all things without murmurings and disputings. *Phil. 2:14*

But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. Col. 3:8

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

For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread. 2 Thess. 3:11-12

Rebuke not an elder, but intreat him as a father; and the younger men as brethren. *1 Tim. 5:1*

And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient. 2 Tim. 2:24

Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh

patience.

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

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.

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.

James 1:3-5, 19

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. James 3:16

He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.

1 Jn. 2:10-11

≈ 8 ≈ Surviving A Conflict With Your Mate

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

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Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.

Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love. *Prov. 5:18-19*

Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins. Prov. 10:12

Every wise woman buildeth her house: but the foolish plucketh it down with her hands. *Prov. 14:1*

Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife. *Prov.* 17:1

The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.

A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the

contentions of a wife are a continual dropping. Prov. 19:11, 13

Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies.

She openeth her mouth with Wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness.

Favour is deceitful, and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.

Prov. 31:10, 26, 30

Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which He hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity: for that is thy portion in this life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun. *Eccl. 9:9*

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

Song 8:7

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Matt. 6:12

What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. Mk. 10:9

Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband.

The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power

of his own body, but the wife.

Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that satan tempt you not for your incontinency. *1 Cor.* 7:3-5

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:32*

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

Eph. 5:22, 28

Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them. Col. 3:19

But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel. *1 Tim. 5:8*

Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;

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 Pet. 3:1, 7*

≈ 9 ≈ Surviving A Conflict With Your Employer

And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be brethren.

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Gen. 13:8

And the herdmen of Gerar did strive with Isaac's herdmen, saying, The water is ours: and he called the name of the well Esek; because they strove with him.

And they digged another well, and strove for that also: and he called the name of it Sitnah.

And he removed from thence, and digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it Rehoboth; and he said, For now the Lord hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land. *Gen. 26:20-22*

Plead my cause, O Lord, with them that strive with me: fight against them that fight against me. *Ps. 35:1*

A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels.

Prov. 1:5

When Wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul;

Discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee:

To deliver thee from the way of the evil man, from the man that speaketh froward things. *Prov.* 2:10-12

Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm. *Prov. 3:30*

These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto Him:

A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,

An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,

A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. Prov. 6:16-19

Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is Wisdom. Prov. 13:10

In all labour there is profit: but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury. *Prov. 14:23*

A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife. *Prov. 15:18*

If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men. Rom. 12:18

Do all things without murmurings and disputings. *Phil. 2:14*

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

For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread. 2 Thess. 3:11-12

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. James 1:5

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work. James 3:16

≈ 10 ∞ Surviving A Conflict With A Friend

He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends.

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A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. Prov. 17:9, 17

A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. *Prov.* 18:24

Withdraw thy foot from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary of thee, and so hate thee. Prov. 25:17

Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour.

For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up. Eccl. 4:9-10

Can two walk together, except they be agreed? Amos 3:3 But I say unto you, That whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause shall be in danger of the judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council: but whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

Matt. 5:22

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.

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.

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.

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.

Matt. 18:15-18

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

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

So likewise shall my Heavenly Father do also unto you, if ye from your hearts forgive not every one his brother their trespasses. *Matt.* 18:21-22, 35

This is My commandment, That ye love on another, as I have loved you. Jn. 15:12

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up.

1 Cor. 13:4

Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. $Gal. \ 6:2$

Let brotherly love continue. *Heb. 13:1*

And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity. 2 Pet. 1:5-7

He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not wither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.

1 Jn. 2:10-11

≈ 11 ∞ Surviving The Fear of Growing Old

Because thou shalt forget thy misery, and remember it as waters that pass away:

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And thine age shall be clearer than the noonday: thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.

With the ancient is Wisdom; and in length of days understanding. Job 12:12

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. *Ps. 23:6*

O spare me, that I may recover strength, before I go hence, and be no more. Ps. 39:13

The Lord will preserve him, and keep him alive; and he shall be blessed upon the earth: and Thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies. *Ps.* 41:2

Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth.

O God, Thou hast taught me from my youth: and

Job 11:16-17

hitherto have I declared Thy wondrous works.

Now also when I am old and greyheaded, O God, forsake me not; until I have shewed Thy strength unto this generation, and Thy power to every one that is to come. *Ps.* 71:9, 17-18

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto Wisdom. Ps. 90:12

With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation. Ps. 91:16

They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing. Ps. 92:14

For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee. *Prov.* 3:2

The glory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the grey head. *Prov. 20:29*

He give h power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increase h strength.

Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. *Isa. 40:29-31*

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. Isa. 41:10 And even to your old age I am He; and even to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear; even I will carry, and will deliver you. Isa. 46:4

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Phil. 4:13

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile. *1 Pet. 3:10*

≈ 12 ∞ Surviving Seasons of Anger

Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil. Ps. 37:8

Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! Ps. 133:1

He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.

Prov. 14:29

The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression. *Prov.* 19:11

Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools. Eccl. 7:9

For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee. Isa. 54:10

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

For to be carnally minded is death; but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Rom. 8:6

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

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

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.

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

Meekness, temperance: against such there is not law.

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. *Gal. 5:19-26*

Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

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

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:26, 31-32*

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. *Phil. 2:3-4*

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. James 1:19-20

13 -Surviving Seasons of Boredom

Be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the Lord. Ps. 31:24

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I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with Mine eye.

Ps. 32:8

For in thee, O Lord, do I hope: Thou wilt hear, O Lord my God. Ps. 38:15

Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise Him, Who is the health of my countenance, and my God. Ps. 43:5

But I will hope continually, and will yet praise Thee more and more. Ps. 71:14

Happy is he that hath the God of Jacob for his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God. Ps. 146:5

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life. *Prov.* 4:23 The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the slothful shall be under tribute. *Prov.* 12:24

Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but when the desire cometh, it is a tree of life. *Prov.* 13:12

Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread.

Prov. 20:13

Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the Lord all the day long.

For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off. *Prov.* 23:17-18

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee. Isa. 60:1

I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.

Jn. 9:4

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

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. *1 Cor. 15:58* And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work. *2 Cor. 9:8*

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. 2 Cor. 12:10

That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man. *Eph. 3:16*

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

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.

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints. *Eph. 6:11, 13, 18*

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

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

That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

1 Thess. 4:11-12

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the

evidence of things not seen.

But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Heb. 11:1, 6

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;

But the word of the Lord endureth for ever. And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you. *1 Pet. 1:13, 25*

And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;

And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.

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.

But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall. 2 Pet. 1:5-10

≈ 14 ∞ Surviving Seasons of Confusion

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Shew me Thy ways, O Lord; teach me Thy paths. Ps. 25:4

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with Mine eye.

Ps. 32:8

Behold, thou desireth truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part Thou shalt make me to know Wisdom. Ps. 51:6

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Ps. 55:22

In thee, O Lord, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion. Ps. 71:1

Great peace have they which love Thy law: and nothing shall offend them. Ps. 119:165

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall

direct thy paths.

Prov. 3:5-6

For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

Isa. 50:7

Fear not; for thou shalt not be ashamed: neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame.

Isa. 54:4

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

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed. Jn. 8:32, 36

For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints. *1 Cor. 14:33*

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

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.

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God,that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, andhaving done all, to stand.Eph. 6:12-13

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

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

But the Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:16-18

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. *1 Pet. 2:6*

≈ 15 ∞ Surviving Seasons of Crisis

I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. Ps. 34:4

Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.

Ps. 46:10

God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God. Ps. 62:11

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust.

Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the most high, thy habitation;

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

Because he hath set his love upon me, therfore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known My name.

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation. Ps. 91:1-16

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.

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Isa. 43:1-2

Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows. Matt. 10:31

For I was an hungred, and ye gave Me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave Me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took Me in:

Naked, and ye clothed Me: I was sick, and ye visited Me: I was in prison, and ye came unto Me.

Then shall the righteous answer Him, saying, Lord, when saw we Thee an hungred, and fed Thee? or thirsty, and gave Thee drink?

When saw we Thee a stranger, and took Thee in? or naked, and clothed Thee?

Or when saw we Thee sick, or in prison, and came unto Thee?

Then the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me. *Matt.* 25:35-40

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

I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Jn. 14:18

And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. *Rom. 5:3-5*

Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. Gal. 6:2

For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward His name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. *Heb. 6:10*

If ye fulfil the royal law according to the Scripture, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself, ye do well. James 2:8

But whose hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth. 1 Jn. 3:17-18

≈ 16 ∞ Surviving Seasons of Depression

For His anger endureth but a moment; in His favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. Ps. 30:5

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Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him, upon them that hope in His mercy. Ps. 33:18

The righteous cry, and the Lord heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles. *Ps. 34:17*

When I remember Thee upon my bed, and meditate on Thee in the night watches. Ps. 63:6

I will praise Thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto Thee. Ps. 138:1

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. Ps. 147:3

Happy is the man that findeth Wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her.

Prov. 3:13, 17-18

The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them; and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as the rose.

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with songs and everlasting joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and signing shall flee away. Isa. 35:1, 10

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isa. 40:31

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. Isa. 41:10

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Isa. 43:2

To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified. Isa. 61:3 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

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. *Rom. 8:38-39*

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. *2 Cor. 1:3-4*

Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:

But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings; that, when His glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. *1 Pet. 4:12-13*

≈ 17 ∞ Surviving Seasons of Doubt

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of His understanding. Isa. 40:28

Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.

Isa. 49:15

For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from Heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

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. Isa. 55:10-11

Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither His ear heavy, that it cannot hear. Isa. 59:1 And He said, Come. And when Peter was come down out of the ship, he walked on the water, to go to Jesus.

But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink, he cried, saying, Lord, save me.

And immediately Jesus stretched forth His hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt? *Matt.* 14:29-31

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. Mk. 9:23

And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Jesus, saying, Art Thou He that should come? or look we for another?

When the men were come unto Him, they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto Thee, saying, Art Thou He that should come? or look we for another?

And in that same hour He cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind He gave sight.

Then Jesus answering said unto them, Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.

And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in Me. Lk. 7:19-23

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. *1 Cor. 15:58* And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. *Gal. 6:9*

For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him.

Heb. 10:36, 38

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 2 Pet. 3:9

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When thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, and a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the Lord thy God is with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. Deut. 20:1

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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.

Deut. 31:6

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest. Josh. 1:9

The God of my rock; in Him will I trust: He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my Saviour; Thou savest me from violence. 2 Sam. 22:3

He shall deliver thee in six troubles: yea, in seven there shall no evil touch thee. In famine He shall redeem thee from death: and in war from the power of the sword.

Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh. Job 5:19-21

And thou shalt be secure, because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig about thee, and thou shalt take thy rest in safety. Job 11:18

I laid me down and slept; I awaked; for the Lord sustained me.

I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about.

Ps. 3:5-6

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident. Ps. 27:3

When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. *Prov.* 3:24-25

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; He also is become my salvation. Isa. 12:2

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Jn. 14:27 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. *Phil. 4:7-8*

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

And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? *1 Pet. 3:13*

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Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee withersoever thou goest. Josh. 1:9

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And He said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat, Thus saith the Lord unto you, Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude; for the battle is not yours, but God's. *2 Chr. 20:15*

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass. Ps. 37:5

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. *Prov.* 3:5

Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established. *Prov. 16:3*

The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall be safe.

Prov. 29:25

Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is.

For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green;

Jer. 17:7-8

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. Mk. 9:23

And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. *Lk. 11:9*

Then spake the Lord to Paul in the night by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak, and hold not thy peace:

For I am with thee, and no man shall set on thee to hurt thee: for I have much people in this city.

Acts 18:9-10

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

Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward.

Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, My soul shall have no pleasure in him.

Heb. 10:35, 38

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

Heb 13:5

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:7*

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The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Ps. 23:1

I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging bread.

He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and His seed is blessed. Ps. 37:25-26

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them. *Isa. 41:17*

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

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they? Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

Matt. 6:25-30

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. Lk. 6:38

And He said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

Lk. 12:15

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

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. *Rom.* 8:35, 37-39 But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

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

Now He that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness.

2 Cor. 9:6-8, 10

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

Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Phil. 4:6, 11-12, 19

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou may est prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. 3 Jn, 2

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

Rev. 7:16

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The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the Lord that seek Him: your heart shall live for ever. Ps. 22:26

The meek will He guide in judgment: and the meek will He teach His way. Ps. 25:9

But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

Ps. 37:11

For the Lord taketh pleasure in His people: He will beautify the meek with salvation. Ps. 149:4

These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto Him:

A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,

An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,

A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. Prov. 6:16-19 The fear of the Lord is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate. *Prov. 8:13*

When pride cometh, then cometh shame: but with the lowly is Wisdom. Prov. 11:2

Only by pride cometh contention: but with the well advised is Wisdom. Prov. 13:10

In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of pride: but the lips of the wise shall preserve them. *Prov.* 14:3

The fear of the Lord is the instruction of Wisdom; and before honour is humility. *Prov. 15:33*

Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

Better it is to be of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.

Prov. 16:18-19

Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God: for God is in Heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few. Eccl. 5:2

For all those things hath Mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the Lord: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My word. Isa. 66:2

In that day shalt thou not be ashamed for all thy

doings, wherein thou hast transgressed against Me: for then I will take away out of the midst of thee them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more be haughty because of My holy mountain. Zeph. 3:11

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven. Matt. 5:3

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

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

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up.

1 Cor. 13:4

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering. Col. 3:12

But He giveth more grace. Wherefore He saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. James 4:6

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But if from thence thou shalt seek the Lord thy God, thou shalt find Him, if thou seek Him with all thy heart and with all thy soul.

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;

(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.

Deut. 4:29-31

Therefore Thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto Thee, Thou heardest them from Heaven; and according to Thy manifold mercies Thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of the hand of their enemies. *Neh. 9:27*

O Lord, rebuke me not in Thine anger, neither chasten me in Thy hot displeasure.

Have mercy upon me, O Lord; for I am weak: O Lord, heal me; for my bones are vexed. *Ps. 6:1-2*

Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to Thy mercy remember Thou me for Thy goodness' sake, O Lord. *Ps. 25:7*

Withhold not Thou Thy tender mercies from me, O Lord: let Thy lovingkindness and Thy truth continually preserve me.

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me: O Lord, make haste to help me. Ps. 40:11, 13

All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they devise my hurt.

An evil disease, say they, cleaveth fast unto him: and now that he lieth he shall rise up no more.

Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

But Thou, O Lord, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them. Ps. 41:7-10

My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Ps. 73:26

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

Ps. 91:6

Who forgive h all thine iniquities; Who healeth all thy diseases. Ps. 103:3

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. *Ps. 107:20*

And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live. *Ezek. 16:6*

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. *Matt.* 8:17

And in that same hour He cured many of their infirmities and plagues, and of evil spirits; and unto many that were blind He gave sight. Lk. 7:21

The impotent man answered Him, Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.

Jesus saith unto him, Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.

Afterward Jesus findeth him in the temple, and said unto him, Behold, thou art made whole: sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee. Jn. 5:7-8, 14

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. *Rom. 12:1*

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.

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need. *Heb. 4:15-16*

Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

James 5:14-16

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But Thou, O Lord, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. Ps. 3:3

My voice shalt Thou hear in the morning, O Lord; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto Thee, and will look up. *Ps. 5:3*

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock.

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Ps. 27:3, 5, 14

For this shall every one that is godly pray unto Thee in a time when Thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto Him. Ps. 32:6 This poor man cried, and the Lord heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles. *Ps. 34:6*

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me: O Lord, make haste to help me.

Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.

But I am poor and needy; yet the Lord thinketh upon me: Thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God. *Ps. 40:13-14, 17*

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. Ps. 107:20

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man. Ps. 118:8

I will praise Thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto Thee. Ps. 138:1

For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken. Prov. 3:26

Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes?

They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek mixed wine.

Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup, when it moveth itself aright.

At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like

an adder.

Prov. 23:29-32

Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night, till wine inflame them! Isa. 5:11

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee.

Isa. 26:3

He give h power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increase h strength.

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isa. 40:29, 31

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. Isa. 41:10

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Isa. 43:2

Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that puttest thy bottle to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest look on their nakedness! *Hab. 2:15*

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.

Matt. 18:18

And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils. Mk. 3:15

For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. Rom. 8:13

It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak. *Rom. 14:21*

Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? *1 Cor.* 3:16

And He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for My strength is made perfect in weakness.

2 Cor. 12:9

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. Gal. 5:16

That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Neither give place to the devil. Eph. 4:22-24, 27

And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit. Eph. 5:18

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour. *1 Pet. 5:8*

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

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And he said, The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer;

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The God of my rock; in Him will I trust: He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my Saviour; Thou savest me from violence.

I will call on the Lord, Who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried to my God: and He did hear my voice out of His temple, and my cry did enter into His ears. 2 Sam. 22:2-4, 7

Turn Thee unto me, and have mercy upon me; for I am desolate and afflicted.

The troubles of my heart are enlarged: O bring Thou me out of my distresses. Ps. 25:16-17

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock. Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

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Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me: O Lord, make haste to help me.

Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seek after my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.

Thou art my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God. Ps. 40:13-14, 17

Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and He shall hear my voice. *Ps. 55:17*

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. *Ps. 103:5*

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. Ps. 107:20

I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living.

I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the Lord. Ps. 116:9, 13

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee.

Isa. 26:3

He give h power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increase h strength.

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their

strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isa. 40:29, 31

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Isa. 43:2

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.

Matt. 18:18

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

For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. Rom. 8:13

It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak. *Rom. 14:21*

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2 Cor. 12:9

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. Gal. 5:16

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Gal. 5:22-25

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour. *1 Pet. 5:8*

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

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For Thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for Thy name's sake lead me, and guide me. *Ps. 31:3*

My times are in Thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

Make Thy face to shine upon Thy servant: save me for Thy mercies' sake. Ps. 31:15-16

Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. Ps. 32:7

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

Ps. 34:18

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. Ps. 147:3

For the Lord shall be thy confidence. *Prov.* 3:26

Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man according to his work.

Prov. 24:29

Thus saith the Lord; Refrain thy voice from weeping, and thine eyes from tears: for thy work shall be rewarded, saith the Lord; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy. *Jer. 31:16*

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

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. Matt. 5:7, 44

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Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer. Ps. 19:14

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock. *Ps. 27:5*

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise Him. *Ps. 28:7*

I am a companion of all them that fear Thee, and of them that keep Thy precepts. Ps. 119:63

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit. Eccl. 7:8

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned.

Song 8:7

For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed; but My kindness shall not depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of My peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee. Isa. 54:10

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

I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Jn. 14:18, 27

This is My commandment, That ye love one another, as I have loved you.

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

Ye are My friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you. Jn. 15:12-14

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil.

1 Cor. 13:4-5

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. 2 Cor. 12:9

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Gal. 6:9

Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. *Col. 3:13*

And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient. 2 *Tim.* 2:24

For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

Heb. 10:36

Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. James 1:3-4

Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that, if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives;

While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear.

Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel;

But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price. 1 Pet. 3:1-4

≈ 27 ∞ Surviving A Hostile Environment

Every place that the sole of your foot shall tread upon, that have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses. Josh. 1:3

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.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day and night.

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

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea. Ps. 46:1-2

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. Isa. 54:17

For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. *Lk. 11:10*

He that loveth his life shall lose it; and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal. Jn. 12:25

And whatsoever ye shall ask in My name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

If ye shall ask any thing in My name, I will do it. Jn. 14:13-14

Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as My Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

Jn. 20:21

While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. 2 Cor. 4:18

Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. *Gal. 5:1, 16*

And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own

business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

1 Thess. 4:11-12

Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. 2 Tim. 2:3

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. *Heb.* 12:14

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.

James 1:12

≈ 28 ∞ Surviving Doubt About Your Healing

And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. *Ex.* 23:25

The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and He shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them.

Deut. 33:27

But I have trusted in Thy mercy; my heart shall rejoice in Thy salvation.

I will sing unto the Lord, because He hath dealt bountifully with me. Ps. 13:5-6

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried unto my God: He heard my voice out of His temple, and my cry came before Him, even into His ears. *Ps. 18:6*

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Ps. 27:14

Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me

from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. Ps. 32:7

Through God we shall do valiantly: for He it is that shall tread down our enemies. Ps. 60:12

My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Ps. 73:26

Blessed is the man whose strength is in Thee; in whose heart are the ways of them. Ps. 84:5

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto Wisdom. Ps. 90:12

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. *Ps. 103:5*

A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones. Prov. 17:22

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

Jer. 15:16

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.

Mal. 4:2

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

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.

Matt. 18:18

And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils. Mk. 3:15

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me. Jn. 14:1

Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though He needed any thing, seeing He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things. Acts 17:25

But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him.

Heb. 11:6

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

≈ 29 ∞ Surviving Continuous Health Problems

And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee. *Ex.* 23:25

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His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth. Job 33:25

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me. *Ps. 23:1, 3-4*

My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Ps. 73:26

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. Ps. 91:10

Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's. *Ps. 103:5*

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. Ps. 107:20

I will praise Thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto Thee. Ps. 138:1

He give h power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increase h strength.

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Isa. 40:29, 31

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.

Isa. 53:5

And when ye see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like an herb: and the hand of the Lord shall be known toward His servants, and His indignation toward His enemies. Isa. 66:14

But I will deliver thee in that day, saith the Lord: and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the men of whom thou art afraid.

For I will surely deliver thee, and thou shalt not fall by the sword, but thy life shall be for a prey unto thee: because thou hast put thy trust in Me, saith the Lord. *Jer. 39:17-18*

And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live. *Ezek. 16:6*

The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and He knoweth them that trust in Him. Nah. 1:7

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.

Mal. 4:2

And, behold, a woman, which was diseased with an issue of blood twelve years, came behind Him, and touched the hem of His garment:

For she said within herself, If I may but touch His garment, I shall be whole.

But Jesus turned Him about, and when He saw her, He said, Daughter, be of good comfort; thy faith hath made thee whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour. Matt. 9:20-22

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.

Matt. 18:18

And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils. Mk. 3:15

And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that she was healed of that plague.

Mk. 5:29

And, behold, there was a woman which had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bowed together, and could in no wise lift up herself.

And when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him, and said unto her, Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

And He laid His hands on her: and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God.

Lk. 13:11-13

≈ 30 ∞ Surviving A Mental Breakdown

The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. Ps. 9:9

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: He leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Ps. 23:1-3

He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right and; but it shall not come nigh thee.

Ps. 91:4-7

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. Ps. 107:20 I will praise Thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto Thee. Ps. 138:1

But whoso hearkeneth unto Me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil. *Prov. 1:33*

When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. Prov. 3:24-25

The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot. Prov. 10:7

The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand. *Prov. 12:7*

Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be to the Lord for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off. Isa. 55:13

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.

Matt. 18:18

And to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils. Mk. 3:15

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Jn. 14:27 For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ. 1 Cor. 2:16

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

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

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:7*

≈ 31 ∞ Surviving Guilt From An Abortion

One man of you shall chase a thousand: for the Lord your God, He it is that fighteth for you, as He hath promised you. Josh. 23:10

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He will keep the feet of His saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail. *1 Sam. 2:9*

David said moreover, The Lord that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, He will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine. And Saul said unto David, Go, and the Lord be with thee. *1 Sam. 17:37*

But Thou, O Lord, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head. *Ps. 3:3*

I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about. *Ps. 3:6*

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?

Though an host should encamp against me, my

heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock. *Ps. 27:1, 3, 5*

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man. Ps. 118:8

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee. Ps. 119:11

For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken. *Prov. 3:26*

In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and His children shall have a place of refuge. *Prov.* 14:26

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. *Isa. 40:31*

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.

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.

This people have I formed for Myself; they shall shew forth My praise. Isa. 43:1, 7, 21

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. Isa. 54:17

For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ. 1 Cor. 2:16

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. 2 Cor. 4:4

Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. *Phil. 1:6*

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.

They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.

We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error. 1 Jn. 4:4-6

≈ 32 ∞ Surviving Unfair Criticism

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?

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Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Ps. 27:1, 3, 14

For Thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for Thy name's sake lead me, and guide me. *Ps. 31:3*

Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with Mine eye. Ps. 32:7-8

A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him:

neither will he go unto the wise. Prov. 15:1,12

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake.

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in Heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. Matt. 5:11-12

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;

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.

Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect. Matt. 5:44-45, 48

But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.

For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned. *Matt.* 12:36-37

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. Matt. 18:15

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.

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

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:29, 31-32*

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

And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. Col. 3:13-14

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.

Heb. 10:30

But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

But the Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:14, 16-18

For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow His steps:

Who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth:

Who, when He was reviled, reviled not again; when He suffered, He threatened not; but committed Himself to Him that judgeth righteously.

1 Pet. 2:21-23

Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. *1 Pet. 3:9*

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile:

For the eyes of the Lord are over the righteous, and His ears are open unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

Having a good conscience; that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers, they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

For it is better, if the will of God be so, that ye suffer for well doing, than for evil doing.

1 Pet. 3:10, 12, 16-17

≈ 33 ∞ Surviving A Rebellious Child

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer. Ps. 19:14

The meek will He guide in judgment: and the meek will He teach His way. Ps. 25:9

A wise man will hear, and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain unto wise counsels. *Prov. 1:5*

My son, if thou wilt receive My words, and hide My commandments with thee;

So that thou incline thine ear unto Wisdom, and apply thine heart to understanding;

Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding;

If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures;

Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God. *Prov. 2:1-5*

My son, forget not My law; but let thine heart keep My commandments:

For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

For whom the Lord loveth He correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

Prov. 3:1-2, 12

Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established. *Prov. 16:3*

That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

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

Eph. 4:14-15

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all Wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. *Col. 3:16*

And whatsoever we ask, we receive of Him, because we keep His commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in His sight. 1 Jn. 3:22

≈ 34 ∞ Surviving A Major Mistake

(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. Deut. 4:31

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That then the Lord thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the Lord thy God hath scattered thee. *Deut. 30:3*

If My people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. *2 Chr. 7:14*

If iniquity be in thine hand, put it far away, and let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles.

Job 11:14

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Ps. 23:3

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall

strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord. Ps. 27:14

Our soul waiteth for the Lord: He is our help and our shield. Ps. 33:20

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

Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Ps. 51:10-12

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Ps. 55:22

I wait for the Lord, my soul doth wait, and in His word do I hope. Ps. 130:5

The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of Thine own hands. Ps. 138:8

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. Isa. 41:10

And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, My great army which I sent among

Joel 2:25

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. *Matt. 17:20*

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. *Rom. 8:28*

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.

Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. $Gal. \ 6:1-2$

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

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. *Phil. 3:13-14*

Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He shall lift you up. James 4:10

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

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darkness into His marvellous light: 1 Pet. 2:9

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:7*

» 35 » **SURVIVING A** BETRAYAL

For I have heard the slander of many: fear was on every side: while they took counsel together against me, they devised to take away my life.

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My times are in Thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.

Make Thy face to shine upon Thy servant: save me for Thy mercies' sake. Ps. 31:13, 15-16

The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them.

O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in Him. Ps. 34:7-8

False witnesses did rise up; they laid to my charge things that I knew not.

They rewarded me evil for good to the spoiling of my soul.

But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth: I humbled my soul with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.

I behaved myself as though he had been my friend or brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother. But in mine adversity they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: yea, the abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew it not; they did tear me, and ceased not:

Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: neither let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause.

For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against them that are quiet in the land.

This Thou hast seen, O Lord: keep not silence: O Lord, be not far from me. *Ps. 35:11-15, 19-20, 22*

Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, hath lifted up his heel against me.

But Thou, O Lord, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.

By this I know that Thou favourest me, because mine enemy doth not triumph over me. *Ps. 41:9-11*

For it was not an enemy that reproached me; then I could have borne it: neither was it he that hated me that did magnify himself against me; then I would have hid myself from him:

But it was thou, a man mine equal, my guide, and mine acquaintance.

We took sweet counsel together, and walked unto the house of God in company. *Ps. 55:12-14*

He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day. Ps. 91:4-5

I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside; it shall not cleave to me.

He that worketh deceit shall not dwell within my house: he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight. Ps. 101:3, 7

A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies. Prov. 14:5

For the Lord God will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be ashamed.

He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me? let us stand together: who is mine adversary? let him come near to me.

Behold, the Lord God will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old as a garment; the moth shall eat them up. *Isa. 50:7-9*

Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me. *Micah* 7:8

Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests,

And said unto them, What will ye give me, and I will deliver Him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver.

And from that time he sought opportunity to betray Him.

Then cometh He to His disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. *Matt. 26:14-16, 45*

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. *Eph. 4:31*

Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.

2 Tim. 4:17

≈ 36 ∞ Surviving A Spirit of Unforgiveness

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass. Ps. 37:5

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Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established. *Prov. 16:3*

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

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

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

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

Matt. 6:12-15

Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven. *Lk. 6:37* Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do. And they parted His raiment, and cast lots. Lk. 23:34

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up.

1 Cor. 13:4

To whom ye forgive any thing, I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ;

Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices. 2 Cor. 2:10-11

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. 2 Cor. 10:5

Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another.

Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

Neither give place to the devil.

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:25-27, 32*

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.

I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Phil. 4:8, 12-13

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

And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness. *Col. 3:13-14*

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.

Heb. 10:30

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. James 1:5

But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

But the Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:14, 16-18

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

James 5:16

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And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him.

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Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. *Gen. 2:18, 24*

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? *Ps. 27:1*

Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins. Prov. 10:12

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. Isa. 41:10

To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified. And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations.

Isa. 61:3-4

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

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

Matt. 6:14-15

And the Pharisees came to Him, and asked Him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife? tempting Him.

And He answered and said unto them, What did Moses command you?

And they said, Moses suffered to write a bill of divorcement, and to put her away.

And Jesus answered and said unto them, For the hardness of your heart he wrote you this precept.

But from the beginning of the creation God made them male and female.

What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder. Mk. 10:2-6, 9

Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer; and come together again, that satan tempt you not for your incontinency.

And unto the married I command, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from her husband.

1 Cor. 7:5, 10

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things. *1 Cor. 13:4, 7*

Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.

Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave Himself for it;

So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.

Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife see that she reverence her husband. *Eph. 5:21-22, 25, 28, 33*

Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them. Col. 3:18-19

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That then the Lord thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the Lord thy God hath scattered thee. *Deut. 30:3*

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And David's heart smote him after that he had numbered the people. And David said unto the Lord, I have sinned greatly in that I have done: and now, I beseech Thee, O Lord, take away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly. 2 Sam. 24:10

If My people, which are called by My name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. *2 Chr. 7:14*

He restoreth my soul: He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Ps. 23:3

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

Ps. 27:14

Behold, Thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part Thou shalt make me to know Wisdom.

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

Cast me not away from Thy presence; and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Ps. 51:6, 10-12

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Ps. 55:22

For the Lord will not cast off His people, neither will He forsake His inheritance. Ps. 94:14

The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me: Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of Thine own hands. Ps. 138:8

The eyes of all wait upon Thee; and Thou givest them their meat in due season. Ps. 145:15

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. Isa. 41:10

And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpiller, and the palmerworm, My great army which I sent among you. Joel 2:25 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. *Rom.* 8:28

For we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Cor. 5:7

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.

Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. Gal. 6:1-2

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

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. *Phil. 3:13-14*

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful that promised.)

Heb. 10:23

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

But without faith it is impossible to please Him: for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him. *Heb. 11:1, 6*

That the trial of your faith, being much more

precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ. *1 Pet. 1:7*

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. *1 Pet. 2:9*

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:7*

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Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams.

For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, He hath also rejected thee from being king. *1 Sam. 15:22-23*

The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble. *Ps. 9:9*

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer. Ps. 19:14

My mouth shall speak of Wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.

Ps. 49:3

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Ps. 55:22

Thy way and thy doings have procured these things unto thee; this is thy wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart. *Jer.* 4:18 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.

Mal. 4:2

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

Then answered Simon, and said, Pray ye to the Lord for me, that none of these things which ye have spoken come upon me. Acts 8:23-24

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

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:31-32*

For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light. *Eph. 5:8*

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.

Heb. 4:15

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

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

Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace

of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled. *Heb.* 12:13-15

Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge among you? let him shew out of a good conversation his works with meekness of Wisdom.

But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.

This Wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish.

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

But the Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:13-18

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time:

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:6-7*

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And Joseph's master took him, and put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners were bound: and he was there in the prison.

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But the Lord was with Joseph, and shewed him mercy, and gave him favour in the sight of the keeper of the prison.

And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the prisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it.

Gen. 39:20-22

I cried unto the Lord with my voice, and He heard me out of His holy hill. Selah.

I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about.

Ps. 3:4, 6

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock. When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up.

Teach me Thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies. *Ps. 27:3, 5, 10-11*

Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:

Until the time that his word came: the word of the Lord tried him.

The king sent and loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and let him go free.

He made him lord of his house, and ruler of all his substance. *Ps. 105:18-21*

And when they had laid many stripes upon them, they cast them into prison, charging the jailor to keep them safely:

Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.

And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.

Acts 16:23-25

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

Rom. 8:35, 37

But we had the sentence of death in ourselves, that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God which

raiseth the dead:

Who delivered us from so great a death, and doth deliver: in whom we trust that He will yet deliver us. 2 Cor. 1:9-10

For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. 2 Cor. 4:16

For we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Cor. 5:7

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.

2 Cor. 12:9

I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called. Eph. 4:1

But I would ye should understand, brethren, that the things which happened unto me have fallen out rather unto the furtherance of the gospel;

So that my bonds in Christ are manifest in all the palace, and in all other places;

For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

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

Phil. 1:12-13, 19, 21

At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge.

Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me; that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.

2 Tim. 4:16-17

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O my God, I trust in Thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me. Ps. 25:2

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Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for Thou art my strength.

Into Thine hand I commit my spirit: Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth. Ps. 31:4-5

Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. Ps. 32:7

Lord, all my desire is before Thee; and my groaning is not hid from Thee. Ps. 38:9

Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah. Ps. 46:2, 7

Be Thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: Thou hast given commandment to save me; for Thou art my rock and my fortress.

Ps. 71:3

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; He also is become my salvation. Isa. 12:2

Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me. *Micah* 7:7-8

Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls:

Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

The Lord God is my strength, and He will make my feet like hinds' feet, and He will make me to walk upon mine high places. Hab. 3:17-19

For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. 2 Cor. 4:16

For we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Cor. 5:7

For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. 2 *Tim.* 1:12

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

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

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

Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled. *Heb.* 12:12-15

≈ 42 ∞ Surviving Grief From The Loss of A Loved One

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. *Ps. 23:4*

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He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. Ps. 147:3

He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces; and the rebuke of His people shall He take away from off all the earth: for the Lord hath spoken it. Isa. 25:8

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. Isa. 41:10

Sing, O Heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the Lord hath comforted His people, and will have mercy upon His afflicted. Isa. 49:13 The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart: and merciful men are taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away from the evil to come. Isa. 57:1

As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye shall be comforted in Jerusalem. Isa. 66:13

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

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. *Matt.* 28:20

Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live. Jn. 5:25

And this is the will of Him that sent Me, that every one which seeth the Son, and believeth on Him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise Him up at the last day. Jn. 6:40

Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again. Jn. 11:23

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in Me.

In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. Jn. 14:1-3

If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

1 Cor. 15:19-20, 22, 26

And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the Heavenly.

Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

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.

For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

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.

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 15:49, 51-57

We are confident, I say, and willing rather to

be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord. 2 Cor. 5:8

For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. *Phil. 1:21*

Phil. 1:21

Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice. Phil. 4:4

But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him.

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.

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:

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.

Wherefore comfort one another with these words. 1 Thess. 4:13-18

≈ 43 ∞ Surviving Personal Bankruptcy

While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease. *Gen.* 8:22

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He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and He hath set the world upon them. *1 Sam. 2:8*

For there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.

Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and the stock thereof die in the ground;

Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant. Job 14:7-9

For the needy shall not alway be forgotten: the expectation of the poor shall not perish for ever.

Ps. 9:18

I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging

bread.

Ps. 37:25

Vow, and pay unto the Lord your God: let all that be round about Him bring presents unto Him that ought to be feared. Ps. 76:11

Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. *Prov. 3:9-10*

The Lord will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but He casteth away the substance of the wicked.

He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.

The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow with it. Prov. 10:3-4, 22

There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing: there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches. *Prov. 13:7*

If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small. Prov. 24:10

Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.

He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.

In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether

shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good. Eccl. 11:1, 4, 6

Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls:

Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. Hab. 3:17-18

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts.

And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.

Mal. 3:10-12

And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for My name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

Matt. 19:29

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over,

shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. Lk. 6:38

And He looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury.

And He saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites.

And He said, Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all:

For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had. *Lk. 21:1-4*

Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound: every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Phil. 4:11-13, 19

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou may est prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. 3 Jn. 2

≈ 44 ∞ Surviving Rejection From Someone You Love

(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. Deut. 4:31

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.

Deut. 31:6

For the Lord will not forsake His people for His great name's sake: because it hath pleased the Lord to make you His people. *1 Sam. 12:22*

And they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee: for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee. Ps. 9:10

When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up. Ps. 27:10

Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art

thou disquieted within me? hope in God: for I shall yet praise Him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God. Ps. 43:5

Because he hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known My name.

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. Ps. 91:14-15

For the Lord will not cast off His people, neither will He forsake His inheritance. Ps. 94:14

When the poor and needy seek water, and there is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I the Lord will hear them, I the God of Israel will not forsake them.

Isa. 41:17

Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee.

Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of My hands; thy walls are continually before Me.

Isa. 49:15-16

Thou shalt no more be termed Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed Desolate.

Isa. 62:4

And about the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me? *Matt.* 27:46 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. *Matt.* 28:20

For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, Who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe. *1 Tim. 4:10*

≈ 45 ∞ Surviving Rape or Incest

And he said, The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliver;

The God of my rock; in Him will I trust: He is my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my Saviour; Thou savest me from violence.

I will call on the Lord, Who is worthy to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

When the waves of death compassed me, the floods of ungodly men made me afraid;

The sorrows of hell compassed me about; the snares of death prevented me;

In my distress I called upon the Lord, and cried to my God: and He did hear my voice out of His temple, and my cry did enter into His ears.

And that bringeth me forth from mine enemies: Thou also hast lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: Thou hast delivered me from the violent man. 2 Sam. 22:2-7, 49

I will not be afraid of ten thousands of people, that have set themselves against me round about. *Ps. 3:6* 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. *Ps. 23:4*

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple.

When my father and my mother forsake me, then the Lord will take me up. Ps. 27:3-4, 10

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with Mine eye. Ps. 32:8

Deliver me out of the mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered from them that hate me, and out of the deep waters. Ps. 69:14

The proud have forged a lie against me: but I will keep thy precepts with my whole heart. *Ps. 119:69*

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. Ps. 147:3

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life. *Prov.* 4:23

For I the Lord thy God will hold thy right hand,

saying unto thee, Fear not; I will help thee.

Isa. 41:13

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.

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.

For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.

In a little wrath I hid My face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer.

Isa. 54:5-8

For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after. *Jer. 30:17*

The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in Him. Lam. 3:24

And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpiller, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you. Joel 2:25

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

Matt. 6:26

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.

Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in Heaven, that one of these little ones should perish.

Matt. 18:6, 14

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. *Rom. 8:35, 37*

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Phil. 4:13

≈ 46 ∞ Surviving A Broken Heart

The Lord is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.

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Ps. 34:18

My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Ps. 73:26

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions. Ps. 107:20

I will praise Thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto Thee. Ps. 138:1

He healeth the broken in heart, and bindeth up their wounds. Ps. 147:3

A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance; but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

Prov. 15:13

For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more: He will be very gracious unto thee at the voice of thy cry; when He shall hear it, He will answer thee. Isa. 30:19 Therefore the redeemed of the Lord shall return, and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee away.

Isa. 51:11

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.

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. *Isa. 53:3, 5*

Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for Thou art my praise.

Jer. 17:14

For I will restore health unto thee, and I will heal thee of thy wounds, saith the Lord; because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after. *Jer.* 30:17

Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together: for I will turn their mourning into joy, and will comfort them, and make them rejoice from their sorrow. *Jer. 31:13*

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

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:7*

≈ 47 ∞ Surviving Change

There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

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.

Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest. Josh. 1:5, 8-9

And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the Lord God, even my God, will be with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the Lord. *1 Chr. 28:20*

Teach me Thy way, O Lord, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies. *Ps. 27:11*

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man. Ps. 118:8 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. *Prov.* 3:5

The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe. *Prov.* 18:10

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. Rom. 8:37

Moreover it is required in stewards, that a man be found faithful. *1 Cor. 4:2*

Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord. *1 Cor. 15:58*

But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord. 2 Cor. 3:18

Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:

And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgement;

That ye may approve things that are excellent; that ye may be sincere and without offence till the day of Christ. *Phil. 1:6, 9-10* For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all Wisdom and spiritual understanding;

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

Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness. Col. 1:9-11

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all Wisdom. Col. 3:16

≈ 48 ∞ Surviving Attacks of Jealousy

Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile. Ps. 34:13

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Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

Ps. 37:1

Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways. *Prov.* 3:31

A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones. Prov. 14:30

Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.

Prov. 18:21

Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them. Prov. 24:1

Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame. Song 8:6 Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect. Matt. 5:48

Judge not, that ye be not judged. Matt. 7:1

Let us walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying. *Rom.* 13:13

For ye are yet carnal: for whereas there is among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men? *1 Cor. 3:3*

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up.

1 Cor. 13:4

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.

If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another. *Gal. 5:24-26*

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.

Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and calmour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. *Eph. 4:29, 31*

Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile,

and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,

As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby. 1 Pet. 2:1-2

Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing.

For he that will love life, and see good days, let him refrain his tongue from evil, and his lips that they speak no guile. *1 Pet. 3:9-10*

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost. Jude 20

≈ 49 ∞ Surviving Lustful Desires

Who can understand his errors? cleanse Thou me from secret faults.

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Keep back Thy servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer. Ps. 19:12-14

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?

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock.

Ps. 27:1, 3, 5

Be pleased, O Lord, to deliver me: O Lord, make haste to help me. Ps. 40:13 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me. Ps. 51:10

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to Thy word.

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against Thee. Ps. 119:9, 11

For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken. Prov. 3:26

Let thine eyes look right on, and let thine eyelids look straight before thee.

Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil. Prov. 4:25, 27

That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man;

That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith. Eph. 3:16-17

That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;

And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;

And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

Neither give place to the devil.

Eph. 4:22-24, 27

Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 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. *Eph. 6:11-12*

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:

But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. James 1:13-14

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world. *1 Pet. 5:8-9*

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

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. *Rev. 3:10*

≈ 50 ∞ Surviving Controversy

My lips shall not speak wickedness, nor my tongue utter deceit. Job 27:4

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For Thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for Thy name's sake lead me, and guide me.

Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for Thou art my strength.

Into Thine hand I commit my spirit: Thou hast redeemed me, O Lord God of truth. Ps. 31:3-5

Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. Ps. 32:7

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass.

And He shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass. Ps. 37:5-7

For in Thee, O Lord, do I hope: Thou wilt hear,

O Lord my God.

Ps. 38:15

Whoso offereth praise glorifieth Me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I shew the salvation of God. *Ps. 50:23*

In my distress I cried unto the Lord, and He heard me.

Deliver my soul, O Lord, from lying lips, and from a deceitful tongue. Ps. 120:1-2

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, Thou wilt revive me: Thou shalt stretch forth Thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and Thy right hand shall save me. *Ps. 138:7*

These six things doth the Lord hate: yea, seven are an abomination unto Him:

A proud look, a lying tongue, and hands that shed innocent blood,

An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations, feet that be swift in running to mischief,

A false witness that speaketh lies, and he that soweth discord among brethren. Prov. 6:16-19

The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

Prov. 12:19

Commit thy works unto the Lord, and thy thoughts shall be established. *Prov. 16:3*

Say not, I will do so to him as he hath done to

me: I will render to the man according to his work. Prov. 24:29

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee. Isa. 43:2

And the Lord shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones: and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters fail not. *Isa. 58:11*

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. Jer. 17:10

The Lord is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble; and He knoweth them that trust in Him. Nahum 1:7

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.

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

Mk. 11:25-26

And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? *1 Pet. 3:13*

Casting all your care upon Him; for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:7*

≈ 51 ∞ Surviving Wrong Counsel

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.

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But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in His law doth he meditate day and night.

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

I will bless the Lord, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.

Ps. 16:7

Shew me Thy ways, O Lord; teach me Thy paths. Ps. 25:4

Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident.

One thing have I desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple.

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock.

Ps. 27:3-5

I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with Mine eye. Ps. 32:8

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all. *Ps. 34:19*

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Ps. 46:1

Behold, Thou desireth truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part Thou shalt make me to know Wisdom. Ps. 51:6

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust. *Ps. 91:2*

Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: He is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous. Ps. 112:4

The Lord is on my side; I will not fear: what can man do unto me?

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man. Ps. 118:6, 8

For ever, O Lord, Thy word is settled in Heaven. Ps. 119:89 For the Lord giveth Wisdom: out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. *Prov. 2:6*

Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy paths. *Prov.* 3:5-6

My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings.

Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart.

For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. *Prov.* 4:20-22

Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety. *Prov.* 11:14

Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established. Prov. 15:22

Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart: so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel. *Prov.* 27:9

And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left.

Isa. 30:21

The grass withereth, the flower fadeth: but the word of our God shall stand for ever. Isa. 40:8

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

Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go. Isa. 48:17

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but My words shall not pass away. Matt. 24:35

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.

He shall glorify Me: for He shall receive of Mine, and shall shew it unto you. Jn. 16:13-14

What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? Rom. 8:31

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. James 1:5

≈ 52 ∞ Surviving Divorce

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;

(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. *Deut. 4:30-31*

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.

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.

Deut. 31:6, 8

O my God, I trust in Thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.

Ps. 25:2

Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for Thou art my strength. Ps. 31:4

I shall not die, but live, and declare the works

of the Lord.

Ps. 118:17

He give h power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increase h strength. Isa. 40:29

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.

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. Isa. 41:11-12

For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour My Spirit upon thy seed, and My blessing upon thine offspring. Isa. 44:3

For in Him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also His offspring. Acts 17:28

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. *Rom. 8:26*

While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal. 2 Cor. 4:18 Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice. Eph. 4:31

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. $Eph. \ 6:10$

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

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Phil. 4:6-8, 13, 19

Casting all your care upon Him: for He careth for you. *1 Pet. 5:7*

Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. Jude 21

SURVIVAL SKILLS



And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in Wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship. *Ex. 31:3*

And I, behold, I have given with him Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put Wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded thee. *Ex. 31:6*

For by Thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall. Ps. 18:29

Blessed be the Lord my strength which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight. *Ps. 144:1*

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.

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.

Jn. 15:4-5

If ye abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you. Jn. 15:7

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. *Rom.* 8:37

I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ;

That in every thing ye are enriched by Him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge;

Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you:

So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 1:4-7

Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.

And such trust have we through Christ to Godward. 2 Cor. 3:3-4

I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me. Phil. 4:13

But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. *Phil. 4:19*

As every man hath received the gift, even so minister the same one to another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles

of God; if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth: that God in all things may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

1 Pet. 4:10-11

Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord,

According as His divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that hath called us to glory and virtue. 2 Pet. 1:2-3



The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and He shall thrust out the enemy from before thee; and shall say, Destroy them. Deut. 33:27

And David was greatly distressed; for the people spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved, every man for his sons and for his daughters: but David encouraged himself in the Lord his God. *1 Sam. 30:6*

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.

Ps. 23:4

For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the secret of His tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock.

And now shall mine head be lifted up above mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in His tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the Lord. Ps. 27:5-6 For His anger endureth but a moment; in His favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. *Ps. 30:5*

I will be glad and rejoice in Thy mercy: for Thou hast considered my trouble; Thou hast known my soul in adversities. *Ps. 31:7*

Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee: He shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Ps. 55:22

Thou tellest my wanderings: put Thou my tears into Thy bottle: are they not in Thy book?

When I cry unto Thee, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God is for me.

In God will I praise His word: in the Lord will I praise His word. Ps. 56:8-10

This is my comfort in my affliction: for Thy word hath quickened me. Ps. 119:50

I remembered Thy judgments of old, O Lord; and have comforted myself. Ps. 119:52

Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage. Ps. 119:54

And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever;

Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth Him not, neither knoweth

Him: but ye know Him; for He dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. Jn. 14:16-18

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.

Jn. 14:26

Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send Him unto you. Jn. 16:7

For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the Spirit he speaketh mysteries.

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

1 Cor. 14:2-3

Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;

Who comforteth us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort them which are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God.

For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.

2 Cor. 1:3-5

Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do. *1 Thess. 5:11*

But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost.

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He sent from above, He took me, He drew me out of many waters.

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He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the Lord was my stay.

He brought me forth also into a large place; He delivered me, because He delighted in me.

Ps. 18:16-19

Thou shalt hide them in the secret of Thy presence from the pride of man: Thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues. *Ps. 31:20*

I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. Ps. 34:4

Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the Lord delivereth him out of them all. *Ps. 34:19*

Truly my soul waiteth upon God: from Him cometh my salvation.

He only is my rock and my salvation; He is my

defence; I shall not be greatly moved. Ps. 62:1-2

My soul, wait thou only upon God; for my expectation is from Him. Ps. 62:5

He only is my rock and my salvation: He is my defence; I shall not be moved.

In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God.

Trust in Him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before Him: God is a refuge for us. Selah. Ps. 62:6-8

God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God.

Also unto thee, O Lord, belongeth mercy: for Thou renderest to every man according to his work. Ps. 62:11-12

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. *Matt.* 8:16-17

And when He had called unto Him His twelve disciples, He gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease. *Matt. 10:1*

Then He called His twelve disciples together,

and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases. *Lk. 9:1*

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. *Lk. 10:19*

And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Jn. 2:13

Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on Him, If ye continue in My word, then are ye My disciples indeed;

And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. Jn. 8:31-32

And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work, and will preserve me unto His Heavenly kingdom: to Whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen. 2 Tim. 4:18

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

≈ 56 ∞ When You Need Encouragement

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. Deut. 31:6

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Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest. Josh. 1:9

Trust in the Lord, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

Delight thyself also in the Lord; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Commit thy way unto the Lord; trust also in Him; and He shall bring it to pass. Ps. 37:3-5

But Thou, O Lord, be merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them. Ps. 41:10

O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of His praise to be heard:

Which holdeth our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved. Ps. 66:8-9 I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving. *Ps. 69:30*

The humble shall see this, and be glad: and your heart shall live that seek God. *Ps. 69:32*

Nevertheless I am continually with Thee: Thou hast holden me by my right hand. Ps. 73:23

But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, and His righteousness unto children's children. *Ps. 103:17*

In the day when I cried Thou answeredst me, and strengthenedst me with strength in my soul. *Ps. 138:3*

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, Thou wilt revive me; Thou shalt stretch forth Thine hand against the wrath of mine enemies, and Thy right hand shall save me.

The Lord will perfect that which concerneth me; Thy mercy, O Lord, endureth for ever: forsake not the works of Thine own hands. *Ps. 138:7-8*

But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day. *Prov.* 4:18

When thou passest through the waters, I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee: when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

Isa. 43:2

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

I, even I, am He that comforteth you: who art thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man that shall die, and of the son of man which shall be made as grass. Isa. 51:12

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. *Jer. 29:11*

Then He answered and spake unto me, saying, This is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts. Zech. 4:6

Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of His knowledge by us in every place. 2 Cor. 2:14

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Being confident of this very thing, that He which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ. *Phil. 1:6*

Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given

us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work. 2 Thess. 2:16-17

For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward His name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end:

That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Heb. 6:10-12



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.

Deut. 31:8

As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the Lord is tried: He is a buckler to all them that trust in Him. 2 Sam. 22:31

And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the Lord God, even my God, will be with thee; He will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the Lord. *1 Chr. 28:20*

And they rose early in the morning, and went forth into the wilderness of Tekoa: and as they went forth, Jehoshaphat stood and said, Hear me, O Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem; Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be established; believe His prophets, so shall ye prosper. 2 *Chr. 20:20*

Be strong and courageous, be not afraid nor

dismayed for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that is with him: for there be more with us than with him:

With him is an arm of flesh; but with us is the Lord our God to help us, and to fight our battles. And the people rested themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah. *2 Chr. 32:7-8*

But let all those that put their trust in Thee rejoice: let them ever shout for joy, because Thou defendest them: let them also that love Thy name be joyful in Thee. Ps. 5:11

The Lord also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a refuge in times of trouble.

And they that know Thy name will put their trust in Thee: for Thou, Lord, hast not forsaken them that seek Thee. Ps. 9:9-10

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

Ps. 23:1

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man.

It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in princes. Ps. 118:8-9

My help cometh from the Lord, which made Heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: He that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, He that keepeth Israel shall neither

slumber nor sleep.

Ps. 121:2-4

They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever. Ps. 125:1

Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things. Joel 2:21

Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith. *Hab. 2:4*

But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach. Rom. 10:8

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Rom. 10:17

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

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.

1 Thess. 2:13

But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made of sins every year. *Heb. 10:3* Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul. *Heb. 10:38-39*

For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. 1 Jn. 5:4



Then answered I them, and said unto them, The God of Heaven, He will prosper us; therefore we His servants will arise and build: but ye have no portion, nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem. *Neh. 2:20*

I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor His seed begging bread.

He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and His seed is blessed. Ps. 37:25-26

Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine. *Prov. 3:9-10*

The Lord will not suffer the soul of the righteous to famish: but He casteth away the substance of the wicked. *Prov. 10:3*

Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days. *Eccl. 11:1*

Thus saith the Lord, thy Redeemer, the Holy

One of Israel; I am the Lord thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go. Isa. 48:17

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of Heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the Lord of hosts.

And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of hosts.

Mal. 3:10-12

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Behold the fowls of the air: for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?

And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field,

which to day is, and to morrow is cast into the oven, shall He not much more clothe you, O ye of little faith?

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your Heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

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

Matt. 6:25-34

Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. *Mk.* 9:23

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. *Lk. 6:38*

For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might be rich. 2 Cor. 8:9

As it is written, He that had gathered much had nothing over; and he that had gathered little had no lack. *2 Cor.* 8:15 But this I say, he which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver.

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

As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; He hath given to the poor: His righteousness remaineth for ever.

Now He that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness. 2 Cor. 9:6-10

Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. *Gal.* 6:7

Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Eph. 4:28

But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus. *Phil. 4:19*

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If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray, thou shalt surely bring it back to him again.

If thou see the ass of him that hateth thee lying under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him, thou shalt surely help with him. *Ex.* 23:4-5

The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.

Prov. 19:11

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

But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil: but whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

And if any man will sue thee at the law, and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloke also.

And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain.

Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away.

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

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;

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.

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

Matt. 5:39-46

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Matt. 6:12

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

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

Matt. 6:14-15

And another of His disciples said unto Him, Lord, suffer me first to go and bury my father.

But Jesus said unto him, Follow Me; and let the dead bury their dead. Matt. 8:21-22

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.

Mk. 11:25

But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for He is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

Be ye therefore merciful, as your Father also is merciful.

Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven. *Lk.* 6:35-37

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

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.

Lk. 17:3-4

Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

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

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

Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good. Rom. 12:14, 17, 19, 21

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. *1 Cor. 13:4-8*

Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath:

Neither give place to the devil. Eph. 4:26-27

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. *Eph. 4:32*

Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children:

And walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savour.

Eph. 5:1-2

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

Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son:

In whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

For by Him were all things created, that are in Heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him:

And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist. Col. 1:12-17

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

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

Heb. 12:14-15

Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing; knowing that ye are thereunto called, that ye should inherit a blessing. *1 Pet. 3:9*



Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. Ps. 32:7

Delight thyself also in the Lord; and He shall give thee the desires of thine heart. Ps. 37:4

For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly. *Ps.* 84:11

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. Ps. 91:15

Whither shall I go from Thy Spirit?or whithershall I flee from Thy presence?Ps. 139:7

Even there shall Thy hand lead me, and Thy right hand shall hold me. Ps. 139:10

He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

Prov. 13:20

A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. Prov. 17:17

A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother. Prov. 18:24

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves.

Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. *Phil. 2:3-4*

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And said, If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that healeth thee. Ex. 15:26

And ye shall serve the Lord your God, and He shall bless thy bread, and thy water; and I will take sickness away from the midst of thee.

There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil. Ex. 23:25-26

For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth thou shalt have wars. *2 Chr. 16:9*

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. *Ps. 91:10*

With long life will I satisfy Him, and shew Him My salvation. Ps. 91:16

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits:

Who forgive all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases. *Ps. 103:2-3*

He sent His word, and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.

Ps. 107:20

Surely He hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

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. Isa. 53:4-5

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. Isa. 55:11

And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped Him saying, Lord, if Thou wilt, Thou canst make me clean.

And Jesus put forth His hand, and touched him, saying, I will; be thou clean. And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. *Matt.* 8:2-3

When the even was come, they brought unto Him many that were possessed with devils: and He cast out the spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick:

That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses. *Matt.* 8:16-17

For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.

Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. *Mk.* 11:23-24

Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God? Jn. 9:35

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.

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. Jn. 14:12

How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him. Acts 10:38

Jn. 10:10

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.

Gal. 3:13

Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever. *Heb. 13:8*

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning. James 1:17

Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. James 5:14-15

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. *1 Pet. 2:24*

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. 1 Jn. 4:4

Beloved, I wish above all things that thou may est prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth. 3 Jn. 2



Glory and honour are in His presence; strength and gladness are in His place. *1 Chr. 16:27*

Also that day they offered great sacrifices, and rejoiced: for God had made them rejoice with great joy: the wives also and the children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar off.

Neh. 12:43

Thou hast put gladness in my heart, more than in the time that their corn and their wine increased. Ps. 4:7

I will be glad and rejoice in Thee: I will sing praise to Thy name, O Thou most High. Ps. 9:2

Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence is fulness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore. *Ps. 16:11*

The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes. Ps. 19:8 The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in Him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise Him. Ps. 28:7

And my soul shall be joyful in the Lord: it shall rejoice in His salvation. Ps. 35:9

Wilt Thou not revive us again: that Thy people may rejoice in Thee? Ps. 85:6

Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O Lord, in the light of Thy countenance.

In Thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in Thy righteousness shall they be exalted.

Ps. 89:15-16

Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands.

Serve the Lord with gladness: come before His presence with singing. Ps. 100:1-2

When the Lord turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.

Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then said they among the heathen, The Lord hath done great things for them. Ps. 126:1-2

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

Jer. 15:16

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

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

And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost. Acts 13:52

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

For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light.

Eph. 5:8

Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you. *Phil. 4:9*

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



And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. Deut. 6:5

But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the Lord charged you, to love the Lord your God, and to walk in all His ways, and to keep His commandments, and to cleave unto Him, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul. Josh. 22:5

I love the Lord, because He hath heard my voice and my supplications. *Ps. 116:1*

Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins. Prov. 10:12

He that covereth a transgression seeketh love; but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends. Prov. 17:9

A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity. *Prov.* 17:17 Set me as a seal upon thine heart, as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death; jealousy is cruel as the grave: the coals thereof are coals of fire, which hath a most vehement flame.

Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned. Song 8:6-7

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

By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples, if ye have love one to another.

Jn. 13:34-35

And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. *Rom. 5:5*

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

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.

Rom. 8:35, 38-39

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.

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.

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.

Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up.

Doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.

For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.

But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child. I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

For now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three: but the greatest of these is charity.

1 Cor. 13:1-13

And this I pray, that your love may abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment. *Phil. 1:9*

And the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you:

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. *1 Thess. 3:12-13*

And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ. 2 Thess. 3:5

And above all things have fervent charity among yourselves: for charity shall cover the multitude of sins. *1 Pet. 4:8*

He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him. 1 Jn. 2:10

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Beloved, If God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.

No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His love is perfected in us. 1 Jn. 4:10-12 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.

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.

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. 1 Jn. 4:16-18



And the people the men of Israel encouraged themselves, and set their battle again in array in the place where they put themselves in array the first day. Judg. 20:22

I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:

That I may cause those that love Me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures.

Prov. 8:20-21

He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich.

Prov. 10:4

He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that causeth shame. Prov. 10:5

He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with bread: but he that followeth vain persons is void of understanding. *Prov.* 12:11

The hand of the diligent shall bear rule: but the

slothful shall be under tribute. Prov. 12:24

Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall increase.

Prov. 13:11

Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger. Prov. 19:15

Love not sleep, lest thou come to poverty; open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread. *Prov. 20:13*

Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he shall stand before kings; he shall not stand before mean men. *Prov. 22:29*

By much slothfulness the building decayeth; and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through. Eccl. 10:18

And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire. Go not from house to house.

Lk. 10:7

Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. *Rom.* 8:37

Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord. Rom. 12:11

Servants, obey in all things your masters

according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God:

And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men. *Col. 3:22-23*

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

That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.

1 Thess. 4:11-12

For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat. 2 Thess. 3:10

Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God, which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

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

2 Tim. 1:6-7

That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Heb. 6:12



Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth.

Ps. 37:7-9

Better is the end of a thing than the beginning thereof: and the patient in spirit is better than the proud in spirit.

Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools. Eccl. 7:8-9

In your patience possess ye your souls.

Lk. 21:19

And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience.

Rom. 5:3

And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. *Gal. 6:9*

I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called. Eph. 4:1

With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love.

Eph. 4:2

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

Strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness. Col. 1:10-11

Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men. *1 Thess. 5:14*

And the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.

2 Thess. 3:5

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

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And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. *Heb. 6:15*

For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. *Heb. 10:36*

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

Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

James 1:3-4

Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.

James 1:19

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

Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh. James 5:7-8

And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;

And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness. 2 Pet. 1:5-6

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise,

as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance. 2 Pet. 3:9

Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus. *Rev.* 14:12



Acquaint now thyself with Him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee. Job 22:21

When He giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and when He hideth His face, who then can behold Him? whether it be done against a nation, or against a man only. Job 34:29

What man is he that feareth the Lord? him shall He teach in the way that He shall choose.

His soul shall dwell at ease; and his seed shall inherit the earth. Ps. 25:12-13

Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright: for the end of that man is peace. *Ps. 37:37*

He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me: for there were many with me. Ps. 55:18

I will hear what God the Lord will speak: for He will speak peace unto His people, and to His saints: but let them not turn again to folly.

Ps. 85:8

Great peace have they which love Thy law: and nothing shall offend them. Ps. 119:165

They that trust in the Lord shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but abideth for ever. Ps. 125:1

When a man's ways please the Lord, He maketh even his enemies to be at peace with him.

Prov. 16:7

It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling. *Prov. 20:3*

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on Thee: because he trusteth in Thee.

Trust ye in the Lord for ever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength. Isa. 26:3-4

Lord, Thou wilt ordain peace for us: for Thou also hast wrought all our works in us. *Isa. 26:12*

To whom He said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear. Isa. 28:12

And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray unto the Lord for it: for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace. Jer. 29:7

The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts. Hag. 2:9 Hag. 2:9

My covenant was with him of life and peace; and I gave them to him for the fear wherewith he feared Me, and was afraid before My name. *Mal. 2:5*

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

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

Peace I leave with you, My peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Jn. 14:27

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. *Rom. 5:1*

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

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

And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. *Phil.* 4:6-7 And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful. *Col. 3:15*

Now the Lord of peace Himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all. 2 Thess. 3:16



As for God, His way is perfect; the word of the Lord is tried: He is a buckler to all them that trust in Him. 2 Sam. 22:31

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For this shall every one that is godly pray unto Thee in a time when Thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto Him.

Thou art my hiding place; Thou shalt preserve me from trouble; Thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah. Ps. 32:6-7

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore will not we fear, though the earth be removed, and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea. Ps. 46:1-2

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved: God shall help her, and that right early.

Ps. 46:5

What time I am afraid, I will trust in Thee. In God I will praise His word, in God I have put my trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me. Ps. 56:3-4

Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man. Ps. 60:11

Through God we shall do valiantly: for He it is that shall tread down our enemies. *Ps. 60:12*

Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

From the end of the earth will I cry unto Thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.

For Thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy.

I will abide in Thy tabernacle for ever: I will trust in the covert of Thy wings. Selah. *Ps. 61:1-4*

He that dwelleth in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust.

Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten

thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

Because thou hast made the Lord, which is my refuge, even the Most High, thy habitation;

There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

For He shall give His angels charge over thee. to keep thee in all thy ways.

They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.

Because he hath set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known My name.

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.

With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him My salvation. Ps. 91:1-16

In the fear of the Lord is strong confidence: and His children shall have a place of refuge.

The fear of the Lord is a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death. Prov. 14:26-27

For I, saith the Lord, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her. Zech. 2:5

For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that day. 2 Tim. 1:12

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. Jude 24

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He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city. *Prov. 16:32*

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And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite. *Prov. 23:2*

Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it. Prov. 25:16

Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. *Rom. 6:6*

But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof. Rom. 13:14

All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. 1 Cor. 6:12

And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a corruptible crown; but we an incorruptible.

I therefore so run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway. *1 Cor.* 9:25-27

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.

Gal. 2:20

This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. *Gal. 5:16*

And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts. Gal. 5:24

Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord is at hand. *Phil. 4:5*

No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; that he may please Him who hath chosen him to be a soldier. 2 *Tim.* 2:4

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

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

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



The Lord is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation: He is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation; my father's God, and I will exalt Him. Ex. 15:2

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God is my strength and power: and He maketh my way perfect. 2 Sam. 22:33

For Thou hast girded me with strength to battle: them that rose up against me hast Thou subdued under me. 2 Sam. 22:40

It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect. Ps. 18:32

For Thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: Thou hast subdued under me those that rose up against me. *Ps. 18:39*

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my Redeemer. Ps. 19:14

The Lord will give strength unto His people; the

Lord will bless His people with peace. Ps. 29:11

Thy God hath commanded thy strength: strengthen, O God, that which Thou hast wrought for us. Ps. 68:28

My flesh and my heart faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and my portion for ever.

Ps. 73:26

Sing aloud unto God our strength: make a joyful noise unto the God of Jacob. Ps. 81:1

The Lord is my strength and song, and is become my salvation. Ps. 118:14

A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength. Prov. 24:5

Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; He also is become my salvation.

Isa. 12:2

Trust ye in the Lord for ever: for in the Lord Jehovah is everlasting strength. Isa. 26:4

He give h power to the faint; and to them that have no might He increase h strength. Isa. 40:29

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. 2 Cor. 12:9

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Eph. 6:10



I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with Mine eye. Ps. 32:8

For with Thee is the fountain of life: in Thy light shall we see light. *Ps. 36:9*

O send out Thy light and Thy truth: let them lead me; let them bring me unto Thy holy hill, and to Thy tabernacles. *Ps. 43:3*

The entrance of Thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple. Ps. 119:130

Turn you at My reproof: behold, I will pour out My Spirit unto you, I will make known My words unto you. Prov. 1:23

For the Lord giveth Wisdom: out of His mouth cometh knowledge and understanding.

He layeth up sound Wisdom for the righteous: He is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.

Prov. 2:6-7

Go not forth hastily to strive, lest thou know not what to do in the end thereof, when thy neighbour hath put thee to shame.

Debate thy cause with thy neighbour himself; and discover not a secret to another. *Prov.* 25:8-9

As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprover upon an obedient ear. *Prov.* 25:12

And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee, saying, This is the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand, and when ye turn to the left. *Isa. 30:21*

Call unto Me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. Jer. 33:3

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:

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,

And what is the exceeding greatness of His power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of His mighty power. *Eph. 1:17-19*

For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all Wisdom and spiritual understanding. Col. 1:9

Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things. 2 Tim. 2:7

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.

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.

For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.

A double minded man is unstable in all his ways. James 1:5-8

This Wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish.

For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work.

But the Wisdom that is from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace. James 3:15-18

He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.

But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes. 1 Jn. 2:10-11 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things. *1 Jn. 2:20*

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 Jn. 2:27

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Your Letter Is Very Important to Me

You are a special person to me, and I believe that you are special to God. I want to assist you in any way possible. Write me when you need an intercessor to pray for you. When you write, my staff and I will pray over your letter. I will write you back.

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