

Becoming A Brilliant Star

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General

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth."

Genesis 1: 26 RSV

I lift up my eyes to the hills. From whence does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Psalms 121: 1-2 RSV

The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not smite you by day, nor the moon by night.

Psalms 121: 5-6 RSV

The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and for evermore.

Psalms 121: 7-8 RSV

The LORD is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Psalms 18: 2 RSV

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Psalms 100: 1-2 RSV

Know that the Lord is God! It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Psalms 100: 3 RSV

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him, bless his name!

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Psalms 100: 4-5 RSV

For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching is light; and reproofs of discipline are the way of life.

Proverbs 6: 23 RSV

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge Him and he will make straight your paths.

Proverbs 3: 5-6 RSV

Wine is a mocker, strong drink a brawler; and whoever is led astray by it is not wise.

Proverbs 20: 1 RSV

"You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose the easy way. But the gateway to life is small, and the road is narrow, and only a few ever find it."

Matthew 7: 13-14 TLB

Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; pray therefore the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Matthew 9: 37 RSV

...be sure that everything is done properly and in order.

Corinthians I 14: 40 TLB

... all things should be done decently and in order.

Corinthians I 14: 40 RSV

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour.

Peter I 5: 8 NKJV

Be careful! Watch out for attacks from the Devil, your great enemy. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for some victim to devour.

Peter I 5: 8 TLB

Look! Here I stand at the door and knock. If you hear me calling and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal as friends.

Revelation 3: 20 TLB

Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me.

Revelation 3: 20 ASB

Self, Temperament, Personality

But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look at his appearance or at the height of his stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

Samuel I 16: 7 RSV

Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing,
But a woman who fears the Lord, she shall be praised.

Proverbs 31: 30 NKJV

For by the grace given to me I bid every one among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith which God has assigned him.

Romans 12: 3 RSV

For as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

Romans 12: 4-5 RSV

Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Romans 12: 6-8 ASB

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit. And there are varieties of ministries, and the same Lord.

Corinthians I 12: 4-5 ASB

There are varieties of effects, but the same God who works all things in all persons. But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

Corinthians I 12: 6-7 ASB

But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills. For even as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ.

Corinthians I 12: 11-12 ASB

Now you are Christ's body, and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church, first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, various kinds of tongues. All are not apostles, are they? All are not prophets, are they? All are not teachers, are they? All are not workers of miracles, are they? All do not have gifts of healings, do they? All do not speak with tongues, do they? All do not interpret, do they? But earnestly desire the greater gifts. And I show you a still more excellent way.

Corinthians I 12: 27-31 ASB

Your adornment must not be merely external—braiding the hair, and wearing gold jewelry, or putting on dresses; but let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God.

Peter I 3: 3-4 ASB

Cognition/Thinking

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, says the
LORD.

Isaiah 55: 8 RSV

This book of the law shall not depart out of
your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day
and night, that you may be careful to do
according to all that is written in it; for then
you shall make your way prosperous, and
then you shall have good success.

Joshua 1: 8 RSV

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of
knowledge; fools despise wisdom and
instruction.

Proverbs 1: 7 RSV

That men may know wisdom and
instruction, understand words of insight,
receive instruction in wise dealing,
righteousness, justice, and equity.

Proverbs 1: 2-3 RSV

Because they hated knowledge and did not
choose the fear of the LORD, would have
none of my counsel, and despised all my
reproof, therefore they shall eat the fruit of
their way and be sated with their own
devices.

Proverbs 1: 29-31 RSV

The beginning of wisdom is this: Get
wisdom, and whatever you get, get insight.

Proverbs: 4: 7 RSV

Give heed to my reproof; behold, I will pour
out my thoughts to you; I will make my
words known to you.

Proverbs 1: 23 RSV

My son, if you receive my words and
treasure up my commandments with
you...then you will understand the fear of
the LORD and find the knowledge of God.

Proverbs 2: 1-5 RSV

For the LORD gives wisdom; from his
mouth come knowledge and understanding;
he stores up sound wisdom for the upright;
he is a shield to those who walk in integrity,
guarding the paths of justice and preserving
the way of his saints.

Proverbs 2: 6-8 RSV

My son, be attentive to my wisdom, incline
your ear to my understanding; that you may
keep discretion, and your lips may guard
knowledge.

Proverbs 5: 1-2 RSV

He who walks in integrity walks securely,
but he who perverts his ways will be found
out.

Proverbs 10: 9 RSV

Hatred stirs up strife, but love covers all
offenses.

Proverbs 10: 12 RSV

Wise men lay up knowledge, but the
babbling of a fool brings ruin near.

Proverbs 10: 14 RSV

The wage of the righteous leads to life, the
gain of the wicked to sin.

Proverbs 10: 16 RSV

He who heeds instruction is on the path to
life, but he who rejects reproof goes astray.

Proverbs 10: 17 RSV

The tongue of the righteous is choice silver;
the mind of the wicked is of little worth.

Proverbs 10: 20 RSV

It is like sport to a fool to do wrong, but
wise conduct is pleasure to a man of
understanding.

Proverbs 10: 23 RSV

Poverty and disgrace come to him who
ignores instruction, but he who heeds
reproof is honored.

Proverbs 13: 18 RSV

Righteousness guards him whose way is
upright, but sin overthrows the wicked.

Proverbs 13: 16 RSV

A fool takes no pleasure in understanding,
but only in expressing his opinion.

Proverbs 18: 2 RSV

Also, that the soul be without knowledge, it
is not good; and he that hasteth with his feet
sinneth.

Proverbs 19: 2 RSV

He who gets wisdom loves himself; he who
keeps understanding will prosper.

Proverbs 19: 8 RSV

Apply your mind to instruction and your ear
to words of knowledge.

Proverbs 23: 12 RSV

Hear, my son, and be wise, and direct your
mind in the way.

Proverbs 23: 19 RSV

Buy truth, and do not sell it; buy wisdom,
instruction, and understanding.

Proverbs 23: 23 RSV

By wisdom a house is built, and by
understanding it is established; by
knowledge the rooms are filled with all
precious and pleasant riches.

Proverbs 24: 3-4 RSV

A wise man is mightier than a strong man,
and a man of knowledge than he who has
strength; for by wise guidance you can wage
your war, and in abundance of counselors
there is victory.

Proverbs 24: 5-6 RSV

He who trusts in his own mind is a fool; but
he who walks in wisdom will be delivered.

Proverbs 28: 26 RSV

“Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you
will find; knock, and it will be opened to
you. For every one who asks receives, and
he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks
it will be opened.”

Matthew 7: 7-8 RSV

“Judge not, that you be not judged. For with
the judgment you pronounce you will be
judged, and the measure you give will be the
measure you get.

Matthew 7: 1-2 RSV

Why do you see the speck that is in your
brother's eye, but do not notice the log that
is in your own eye?... You hypocrite, first
take the log out of your own eye, and then
you will see clearly to take the speck out of
your brother's eye.”

Matthew 7: 3-5 RSV

...”All things are possible to him who
believes.”

Mark 9: 23 RSV

“Woe to you experts in the law, because you have taken away the key to knowledge. You yourselves have not entered, and you have hindered those who were entering.”

Luke 11: 52 NIV

THEREFORE you have no excuse, everyone of you who passes judgment, for in that which you judge another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.

Romans 2: 1 ASB

So each of us shall give account of himself to God. Then let us no more pass judgment on one another, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother.

Romans 14: 13 NKJV

To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace.

Romans 8: 6 RSV

But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking in tongues, what will I profit you unless I speak to you either by way of revelation or of knowledge or of prophecy or of teaching? Yet even lifeless things, either flute or harp, in producing a sound, if they do not produce a distinction in the tones, how will it be known what is played on the flute or on the harp? For if the bugle produces an indistinct sound, who will prepare himself for battle? So also you, unless you utter by the tongue speech that is clear, how will it be known what is spoken? For you will be speaking into the air.

There are, perhaps, a great many kinds of languages in the world, and no kind is without meaning. If then I do not know the meaning of the language, I will be to the one who speaks a barbarian, and the one who speaks will be a barbarian to me. So also you, since you are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek to abound for the edification of the church.

Therefore let one who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret. For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful. What is the outcome then? I will pray with the spirit and I will pray with the mind also; I will sing with the spirit and I will sing with the mind also. Otherwise if you bless in the spirit only, how will the one who fills the place of the ungifted say the Amen at your giving of thanks, since he does not know what you are saying? For you are giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not edified.

Corinthians I 14: 6-17 ASB

Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Philippians 4: 8 RSV

... what you have heard from me before many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

Timothy II 2: 2 RSV

Affect/Emotion

Is not your fear of God your confidence, and the integrity of your ways your hope?

Job 4: 6 RSV

You will show me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Psalms 16: 11 NKJV

I waited patiently for the LORD; he inclined to me and heard my cry. He drew me up from the desolate pit, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

Psalms 40: 1-2 RSV

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD. Blessed is the man who makes the LORD his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after false gods!

Psalms 40: 3-4 RSV

Thou hast multiplied, O LORD my God, thy wondrous deeds and thy thoughts toward us; none can compare with thee! Were I to proclaim and tell of them, they would be more than can be numbered.

Psalms 40: 5 RSV

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is insight.

Proverbs 9: 10 RSV

Hope deferred makes the heart sick, But when the desire comes, it is a tree of life.

Proverbs 13: 12 NKJV

A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger.

Proverbs 15: 1 RSV

Before destruction a man's heart is haughty, but humility goes before honor.

Proverbs 18: 12 RSV

Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water, But a man of understanding will draw it out.

Proverbs 20: 5 NKJV

My son, if your heart is wise, my heart too will be glad. My soul will rejoice when your lips speak what is right.

Proverbs 23: 15-16 RSV

Surely there is a future, and your hope will not be cut off.

Proverbs 23: 18 RSV

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Matthew 5: 4 ASB

Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

Matthew 5: 5 ASB

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Matthew 5: 4 ASB

Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the earth.

Matthew 5: 5 ASB

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

Matthew 5: 8 ASB

“You have heard that it was said, ‘You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you...”

Matthew 5: 43-44 NKJV

“Come to Me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me; for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.”

Matthew 11: 28-30 RSV

“...For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, ‘Move from here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you.”

Matthew 17: 20 RSV

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.

Matthew 22: 37-38 RSV

And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets.”

Matthew 22: 39-40 RSV

“Have faith in God. Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and cast into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him.”

Mark 11: 22-23 RSV

“And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.”

Luke 6: 31-32 RSV

“But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish.”

Luke 6: 35 RSV

“Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

Luke 6: 36 RSV

Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.

Luke 12: 6-7 RSV

And Peter opened his mouth and said, “Truly I perceive that God shows no partiality, but in every nation any one who fears Him and does what is right is acceptable to Him.”

Acts 10: 34-35 RSV

More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured into our hearts.

Romans 5: 3-5 RSV

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor.

Romans 12: 9-10 RSV

...”No eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love Him.”

Corinthians I 2: 9 RSV

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.

Corinthians I 13: 1 RSV

If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Corinthians I 13: 3 RSV

Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right.

Corinthians I 13: 4-6 RSV

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends...

Corinthians I 13: 7-8 RSV

For our knowledge is imperfect and our prophecy is imperfect; but when the perfect comes, the imperfect will pass away.

Corinthians I 13: 9-10 RSV

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became a man, I gave up childish ways.

Corinthians I 13: 11 RSV

For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall understand fully, even as I have been fully understood.

Corinthians I 13: 12 RSV

So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

Corinthians I 13: 13 RSV

Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4: 6-7 RSV

Therefore do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that you may do the will of God and receive what is promised.

Hebrews 10: 35-36 RSV

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. For by it the men of old received divine approval.

Hebrews 11: 1-2 RSV

By faith we understand that the world was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was made out of things which do not appear.

Hebrews 11: 3 RSV

...let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith...

Hebrews 12: 1-2 RSV

Know this, my beloved brethren. Let every man be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger, for the anger of man does not work the righteousness of God.

James 1: 19-20 RSV

Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about what happens to you.

Peter I 5: 7 TLB

Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

John I 4: 7-8 RSV

...Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life.

Revelation 2: 10 RSV

Conation/Volition

For I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you.

Jeremiah 29: 11-12 RSV

“Be strong and of good courage, do not fear nor be afraid of them; for the Lord your God, He is the One who goes with you. He will not leave you nor forsake you.”

Deuteronomy 31: 6 NKJV

Then Moses called Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, “Be strong and of good courage, for you must go with this people to the land which the Lord has sworn to their fathers to give them, and you shall cause them to inherit it.”

Deuteronomy 31: 7 NKJV

Then He inaugurated Joshua the son of Nun, and said, “Be strong and of good courage; for you shall bring the children of Israel into the land of which I swore to them, and I will be with you.”

Deuteronomy 31: 23 NKJV

“Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them.

Joshua 1: 6 NKJV

Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go.”

Joshua 1: 7 NKJV

“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

Joshua 1: 9 NKJV

“Whoever rebels against your commandment and disobeys your words, whatever you command him, shall be put to death. Only be strong and of good courage.”

Joshua 1: 18 RSV

And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.

Joshua 2: 11 KJV

And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.

Joshua 10: 25 KJV

“Be of good courage, and let us be strong for our people and for the cities of our God. And may the Lord do what is good in His sight.”

Samuel II 10: 12 NKJV

“Be strong, and let us show ourselves courageous for the sake of our people and for the cities of our God; and may the LORD do what is good in His sight.”

Chronicles I 19: 13 ASB

“Be of good courage, and let us be strong for our people and for the cities of our God. And may the Lord do what is good in His sight.”

Chronicles I 22: 13 NKJV

“Be strong and of good courage, and do it. Fear not, be not dismayed; for the LORD God, even my God, is with you. He will not fail you or forsake you, until all the work for the service of the house of the LORD is finished.”

Chronicles I 28: 20 RSV

Arise, for it is your task, and we are with you; be strong and do it.”

Ezra 10: 4 RSV

Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; yea, wait for the LORD!

Psalms 27: 14 RSV

Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!

Psalms 31: 24 RSV

Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the LORD!

Psalms 31: 25 RSV

He who is slack in his work is a brother to him who destroys.

Proverbs 18: 9 RSV

If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small.

Proverbs 24: 10 RSV

My son, eat honey, for it is good, and the drippings of the honeycomb are sweet to your taste. Know that wisdom is such to your soul; if you find it, there will be a future, and your hope will not be cut off.

Proverbs 24: 13-14 RSV

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary, his understanding is unsearchable.

Isaiah 40: 28 RSV

[The LORD] gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Isaiah 40: 29 RSV

Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Isaiah 40: 30-31 RSV

And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.

Daniel 11: 25 RSV

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful; and let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, . . . encouraging one another . . .

Hebrews 10: 23-25 RSV

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant; later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12: 11 RSV

Whatever your task, work heartily, as serving the Lord and not men . . .

Colossians 3: 23 RSV

Do you not know that in a race all the runners compete, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we are imperishable. Well, I do not run aimlessly, I do not box as one beating the air; but I pommel my body and subdue it, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

I want you to know, brethren, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, and all ate the same supernatural food and all drank the same supernatural drink. For they drank from the supernatural Rock which followed them, and the Rock was Christ. Nevertheless with most of them God was not pleased; for they were overthrown in the wilderness.

Now these things are warnings for us, not to desire evil as they did. Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to dance." We must not indulge in immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. We must not put the Lord to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents; nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer. Now these things happened to them as a warning, but they were written down for our instruction, upon whom the end of the ages has come.

Therefore let any one who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it. Therefore, my beloved, shun the worship of idols.

I speak as to sensible men; judge for yourselves what I say.

Corinthians I 9: 24-27; 10: 1-15 RSV

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Corinthians I 10: 13 RSV

Brethren, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 3: 13-14 RSV

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Corinthians I 10: 31 RSV

Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ. For if any one thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself.

Galatians 6: 2-3 RSV

But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. For each man will have to bear his own load.

Galatians 6: 4-5 RSV

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

Ephesians 6: 10 RSV

For God is not unjust to forget your work and labor of love which you have shown toward His name, in that you have ministered to the saints, and do minister.

Hebrews 6: 10 NKJV

And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end, that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

Hebrews 6: 11-12 NKJV

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Hebrews 12: 1-3 ASB

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant; later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12: 11 RSV

[W]henver trouble comes your way, let it be an opportunity for joy.

James 1: 2

[W]hen your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be strong in character and ready for anything.

James 1: 3-4

If you need wisdom--if you want to know what God wants you to do--ask him, and he will gladly tell you. He will not resent your asking.

James 1: 5

[A] doubtful mind is as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind.

James 1: 6

Christians who are poor should be glad, for God has honored them. And those who are rich should be glad, for God has humbled them. They will fade away like a flower in the field.

James 1: 7-8

The hot sun rises and dries up the grass; the flower withers, and its beauty fades away. So also, wealthy people will fade away with all of their achievements.

James 1: 9

God blesses the people who patiently endure testing. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him.

James 1: 12

But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

James 1: 22 RSV

For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so faith apart from works is dead.

James 2: 26 RSV

Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go into such and such a town and spend a year there and trade and get gain"; whereas you do not know about tomorrow. What is your life?

For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and we shall do this or that."

James 4: 13-15 RSV

I know how to be abased, and I know how to abound; in any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and want. I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

Philippians 4: 13-14 RSV

Physical/Kinesthetic

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

Corinthians I 3: 16-17 RSV

Eat whatever is sold in the meat market without raising any question on the ground of conscience. For "the earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."

Corinthians I 10: 25-26 RSV

If one of the unbelievers invites you to dinner and you are disposed to go, eat whatever is set before you without raising any question on the ground of conscience.

Corinthians I 10: 27 RSV

"All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything.

Corinthians I 6: 12 RSV

"Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food" –and God will destroy both one and the other.

Corinthians I 6: 13 RSV

The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power.

Corinthians I 6: 14 RSV

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?

Corinthians I 6: 15 RSV

Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body.

Corinthians I 6: 18 RSV

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Corinthians I 6: 19-20 RSV

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Corinthians I 10: 31 RSV

Social

You shall not take vengeance or bear any grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.

Leviticus 19: 18 RSV

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow; but woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up.

Ecclesiastes 4: 9-10 RSV

Every one helps his neighbor, and says to his brother, "Take courage!"

Isaiah 41: 6 RSV

The righteous should choose his friends carefully, For the way of the wicked leads them astray.

Proverbs 12: 26 NKJV

He who walks with wise men becomes wise, but the companion of fools will suffer harm.

Proverbs 13: 20 RSV

He who despises his neighbor is a sinner, but happy is he who is kind to the poor.

Proverbs 14: 21 RSV

It is an honor for a man to keep aloof from strife; but every fool will be quarreling.

Proverbs 20: 3 RSV

Make no friendship with a man given to anger, nor go with a wrathful man, lest you learn his ways and entangle yourself in a snare.

Proverbs 22: 24-25 RSV

There are friends who pretend to be friends, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

Proverbs 18: 24 RSV

Faithful are the wounds of a friend; profuse are the kisses of an enemy.

Proverbs 27: 6 RSV

Do not forsake your own friend or your father's friend, Nor go to your brother's house in the day of your calamity; Better is a neighbor nearby than a brother far away.

Proverbs 27: 9 NKJV

Ointment and perfume delight the heart, And the sweetness of a man's friend gives delight by hearty counsel.

Proverbs 27: 10 NKJV

Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.

Proverbs 27: 17 RSV

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

Matthew 5: 9 ASB

Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me.

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men.

Matthew 5: 11-13 ASB

You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.

Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 5: 14-16 ASB

“Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfil them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished.

“Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

Matthew 5: 17-20 ASB

“But I say to you, Do not resist one who is evil. But if any one strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also; and if any one would sue you and take your coat, let him have your cloak as well; and if any one forces you to go one mile, go with him two miles. Give to him who begs from you, and do not refuse him who would borrow from you.”

Matthew 5: 39-42 ASB

“Do for others what you would like them to do for you. This is a summary of all that is taught in the law and the prophets.”

Matthew 7: 12 TLB

“Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.”

Matthew 7: 12 NKJV

“So whatever you wish that men would do to you, do so to them; for this is the law and the prophets.”

Matthew 7: 12 RSV

And he sat down and called the twelve; and he said to them, “If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.”

Mark 9: 35 RSV

“He who is greatest among you shall be your servant; whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

Matthew 23: 11 RSV

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’

The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.”

Mark 12: 30-31 NIV

And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, “Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

He said to him, “What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?”

So he answered and said, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind,’ and ‘your neighbor as yourself.’”

And He said to him, “You have answered rightly; do this and you will live.”

But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?”

Then Jesus answered and said: “A certain man went down from Jerusalem to

Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?"

And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Luke 10: 25-37 NKJV

"If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love."

John 15: 10 RSV

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

John 15: 12 RSV

"Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you."

John 15: 13-14 RSV

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; never be conceited.

Repay no one evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If possible, so far as it depends upon you, live peaceably with all.

Romans 12: 14-18 RSV

Don't be selfish; don't live to make a good impression on others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourself.

Philippians 2: 3 TLB

Don't think only about your own affairs, but be interested in others, too, and what they are doing.

Philippians 2: 4 TLB

Do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count others better than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Philippians 2: 3-4 RSV

Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor.

Corinthians I 10: 24 RSV

Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it!

Hebrews 13: 2 TLB

Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God, and he who loves is born of God and knows God. He who does not love does not know God; for God is love....

John I 4: 7-8 RSV

No man has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his own Spirit....

John I 4: 12-13 RSV

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and he who fears is not perfected in love. We love, because he first loved us.

John I 4: 18-19 RSV

If anyone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.

John I 4: 20 RSV

Therefore, putting away falsehood, let every one speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

Ephesians 4: 25 RSV

And the Lord's servant must not be quarrelsome but kindly to every one, an apt teacher, forbearing, correcting his opponents with gentleness.

Timothy II 2: 24-25

Spirit/Transcendence

“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD; and you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.”

Deuteronomy 6: 4-5 RSV

The fool says in his heart, “There is no God.”

Psalms 14: 1 RSV

Fret not yourself because of the wicked, be not envious of wrongdoers! For they will soon fade like the grass, and wither like the green herb.

Psalms 37: 1-2 RSV

Trust in the LORD, and do good; so you will dwell in the land, and enjoy security. Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Psalms 37: 3-4 RSV

Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him, and he will act. He will bring forth your vindication as the light, and your right as the noonday.

Psalms 37: 5-6 RSV

Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over him who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!

Psalms 37: 7 RSV

My son, do not despise the Lord’s discipline or be weary of His reproof, for the Lord reproves him whom He loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.

Proverbs 3: 11-12 RSV

The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

Proverbs 18: 10 RSV

If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination.

Proverbs 28: 9 RSV

Blessed is the man who fears the LORD always; but he who hardens his heart will fall into calamity.

Proverbs 28: 14 RSV

Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen, But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Amos 5: 23-24 RSV

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5: 3 ASB

Blessed are those who have been persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5: 10 ASB

“But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.”

Matthew 6: 6 RSV

“No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

Matthew 6: 24 NIV

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well.

Matthew 6: 33 RSV

“Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it. For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.”

Matthew 7: 13-14 ASB

Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 7: 21 RSV

Jesus looked at them intently and said, “Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible.”

Matthew 19: 26 TLB

But Jesus looked at them and said to them, “With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.”

Matthew 19: 26 RSV

“The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed; nor will they say, ‘Lo, here it is!’ or ‘There!’ for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you.”

Luke 17: 20-21 RSV

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

John 3: 16 RSV

For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

John 3: 17 RSV

He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

John 3: 18 RSV

Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, “I am the Light of the world; he who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life.”

John 8: 12 ASB

“Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.”

John 12: 24 RSV

“He who loves his life loses it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it to life eternal. If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also; if anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.”

John 12: 25-26 RSV

“Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going.”

John 14: 1-3 RSV

“Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me.”

John 15: 4 ASB

I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

John 15: 5 ASB

If anyone does not abide in Me, he is thrown away as a branch and dries up; and they gather them, and cast them into the fire and they are burned.

John 15: 6 ASB

If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

John 15: 7 ASB

My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and so prove to be My disciples.

John 15: 8 ASB

Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love.

John 15: 9 ASB

If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.

John 15: 10-11 ASB

The God who made the world and all things in it, since He is Lord of heaven and earth, does not dwell in temples made with hands; nor is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things...

Acts 17: 24-25 ASB

...He made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined their appointed times and the boundaries of their habitation, that they would seek God...

Acts 17: 26-27 ASB

The kingdom of God is not food and drink but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit; he who thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and approved by men.

Romans 14: 17-18 RSV

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?

Romans 8: 31 MKJV

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2: 20 RSV

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such there is no law.

Galatians 5: 22-23 RSV

Have nothing to do with godless and silly myths. Train yourself in godliness; for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come.

Timothy I 4: 7-8 RSV

For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith.

John I 5: 4 RSV

Then I saw a great white throne and him who sat upon it; from his presence earth and sky fled away, and no place was found for them....And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, by what they had done.

Revelation 20: 11-12 RSV

Moral Character

And the Lord said to Moses, “Say to all the congregation of the people of Israel, You shall be holy; for I the Lord your God am holy.”

Leviticus 19: 1-2 RSV

“You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason with your neighbor, lest you bear sin because of him.

Leviticus 19: 17 RSV

“You shall not take vengeance or bear any grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.”

Leviticus 19: 18 RSV

When you vow a vow to God, do not delay paying it; for he has no pleasure in fools. Pay what you vow. It is better that you should not vow than that you should vow and not pay.

Ecclesiastes 5: 4-5 RSV

Misfortune pursues sinners, but prosperity rewards the righteous.

Proverbs 13: 21 RSV

All day long the wicked covets, but the righteous gives and does not hold back.

Proverbs 21: 26 RSV

A righteous man who walks in his integrity—blessed are his sons after him!

Proverbs 20: 7 RSV

He who conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Proverbs 28: 13 RSV

He who walks in integrity will be delivered, but he who is perverse in his ways will fall into a pit.

Proverbs 28: 18 RSV

There are those who are pure in their own eyes but are not cleansed of their filth.

Proverbs 30: 12 RSV

He who sows injustice will reap calamity, and the rod of his fury will fail.

Proverbs 22: 8 RSV

Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

Psalms 1: 1-2 RSV

‘And it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the LORD our God, as he has commanded us.’

Deuteronomy 6: 25 RSV

“According to the sentence of the law in which they instruct you, according to the judgment which they tell you, you shall do; you shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left from the sentence which they pronounce upon you.”

Deuteronomy 17: 11 NKJV

But he who is noble devises noble things, and by noble things he stands.

Isaiah 32: 8 RSV

Take care! Don't do your good deeds publicly, to be admired, because then you will lose the reward from your Father in heaven

Matthew 6: 1 TLB

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Matthew 5: 6 ASB

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

Matthew 5: 7 ASB

You, therefore, must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Matthew 5: 48 RSV

“Beware of practicing your piety before men in order to be seen by them; for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 6: 1 RSV

“You brood of vipers! how can you speak good, when you are evil? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. The good man out of his good treasure brings forth good, and the evil man out of his evil treasure brings forth evil. I tell you, on the day of judgment men will render account for every careless word they utter; for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned.”

Matthew 12: 34-37 RSV

The time is coming when everything will be revealed; all that is secret will be made public.

Luke 12: 2 TLB

Whatever you have said in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have whispered behind closed doors will be shouted from the housetops for all to hear!

Luke 12: 3 TLB

Nothing is covered up that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. Therefore whatever you have said in the dark shall be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in private rooms shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

Luke 12: 2-3 RSV

Unless you are faithful in small matters, you won't be faithful in large ones. If you cheat even a little, you won't be honest with greater responsibilities

Luke 16: 10 TLB

Dear friends, never avenge yourselves. Leave that to God. For it is written, “I will take vengeance; I will repay those who deserve it,” says the Lord.

Romans 12: 19 TLB

Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

Romans 5: 1 TLB

Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of highest privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

Romans 5: 2 TLB

We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they are good for us—they help us learn to endure.

Romans 5: 3 TLB

And endurance develops strength of character in us, and character strengthens our confident expectation of salvation.

Romans 5: 4 TLB

And this expectation will not disappoint us. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

Romans 5: 5 TLB

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5: 1 RSV

...we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us...

Romans 5: 3-5 RSV

Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God, for it is written, "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY," says the Lord.

Romans 12: 19 ASB

Don't be misled. Remember that you can't ignore God and get away with it. You will always reap what you sow!

Galatians 6: 7 TLB

Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful desires will harvest the consequences of decay and death. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit.

Galatians 6: 8 TLB

So don't get tired of doing what is good. Don't get discouraged and give up, for we will reap a harvest of blessing at the appropriate time.

Galatians 6: 9 TLB

Whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone, especially to our Christian brothers and sisters.

Galatians 6: 10 TLB

Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.

Galatians 6: 7 NKJV

For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life.

Galatians 6: 8 NKJV

And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.

Galatians 6: 9 NKJV

Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Galatians 6: 10 NKJV

Put off your old nature which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful lusts, and be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

Ephesians 4: 22-24 RSV

Therefore, putting away falsehood, let everyone speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

Ephesians 4: 25 RSV

Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one.

Ephesians 6: 14-16 RSV

Do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count others better than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Philippians 2: 3-4 RSV

Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, and patience, forbearing one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other...

Colossians 3: 12-13 RSV

And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

Colossians 3: 14 RSV

Don't let anyone think less of you because you are young. Be an example to all believers in what you teach, in the way you live, in your love, your faith, and your purity.

Timothy I 4: 12 TLB

Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.

Timothy I 4: 12 RSV

Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching; for the scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain," and, "The laborer deserves his wages."

Timothy I 5: 17-18 RSV

Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He suffered.

Hebrews 5: 8 ASB

For ground that drinks the rain which often falls on it and brings forth vegetation useful to those for whose sake it is also tilled, receives a blessing from God; but if it yields thorns and thistles, it is worthless and close to being cursed, and it ends up being burned.

Hebrews 6: 7-8 ASB

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never fail you nor forsake you."

Hebrews 13: 5 RSV

Hence we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid; what can man do to me?"

Hebrews 13: 6 RSV

Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God; consider the outcome of their life, and imitate their faith.

Hebrews 13: 7 RSV

Finally, all of you, have unity of spirit, sympathy, love of the brethren, a tender heart and a humble mind. Do not return evil for evil or reviling for reviling; but on the contrary bless, for to this you have been called, that you may obtain a blessing.

Peter I 3: 8-9 RSV

See how very much our heavenly Father loves us, for he allows us to be called his children, and we really are! But the people who belong to this world don't know God, so they don't understand that we are his children.

John I 3: 1 TLB

Yes, dear friends, we are already God's children, and we can't even imagine what we will be like when Christ returns. But we do know that when he comes we will be like him, for we will see him as he really is.

John I 3: 2 TLB

And all who believe this will keep
themselves pure, just as Christ is pure.

John I 3: 3 TLB

Citizenship: Overview

The LORD said to Moses, “Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tables of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction.”

Exodus 24: 12 RSV

You shall have one law for him who does anything unwittingly, for him who is native among the people of Israel, and for the stranger who sojourns among them.

Numbers 15: 29 RSV

“If you are not careful to do all the words of this law which are written in this book... then the LORD will bring on you and your offspring extraordinary afflictions...

Deuteronomy 28: 58-59 RSV

“Assemble the people, men, women, and little ones, and the sojourner within your towns, that they may hear and learn to fear the LORD your God, and be careful to do all the words of this law...”

Deuteronomy 31: 12 RSV

“Take good care to observe the commandment and the law which Moses the servant of the LORD commanded you, to love the LORD your God, and to walk in all his ways...”

Joshua 22: 5 RSV

Do not envy a man of violence and do not choose any of his ways; for the perverse man is an abomination to the LORD, but the upright are in his confidence.

Proverbs 3: 31-32 RSV

It is not good to be partial to a wicked man, or to deprive a righteous man of justice.

Proverbs 18: 9 RSV

He who has a bountiful eye will be blessed; for he shares his bread with the poor.

Proverbs 22: 9 RSV

Those who forsake the law praise the wicked, but those who keep the law strive against them.

Proverbs 28: 4 RSV

If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination.

Proverbs 28: 9 RSV

Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow; but woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up.

Ecclesiastes 4: 9-10 RSV

Again, if two lie together, they are warm; but how can one be warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him. A threefold cord is not quickly broken.

Ecclesiastes 4: 11-12 RSV

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it...

Isaiah 2: 2 RSV

[The LORD] shall judge between the nations...and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

Isaiah 2: 4 RSV

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.”

Matthew 5: 9 ASB

“Blessed are you when people insult you and persecute you, and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of Me.”

Matthew 5: 11 ASB

“Rejoice and be glad, for your reward in heaven is great; for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.”

Matthew 5: 12 ASB

“You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt has become tasteless, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men.”

Matthew 5: 13 ASB

“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house.”

Matthew 5: 14-15 ASB

“Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 5: 16 ASB

“Do not think that I came to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to abolish but to fulfill.

Matthew 5: 17 ASB

...”Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and no city or house divided against itself will stand.”

Matthew 12: 25 ASB

“He who is greatest among you shall be your servant; whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted.”

Matthew 23: 11 RSV

“But I say to you, do not resist an evil person; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also.”

Matthew 5: 39-40 ASB

“Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you.”

Matthew 5: 41-42 ASB

...“Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and no city or house divided against itself will stand.”

Matthew 12: 25 ASB

“When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left.

Then the King will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’

Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or thirsty and give thee drink? And when did we see thee a stranger and

welcome thee, or naked and clothe thee?
And when did we see thee sick or in prison
and visit thee?’

And the King will answer them, ‘Truly,
I say to you, as you did it to one of the least
of these my brethren, you did it to me.’

Then he will say to those at his left
hand, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the
eternal fire prepared for the devil and his
angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no
food, I was thirsty and you gave me no
drink, I was a stranger and you did not
welcome me, naked and you did not clothe
me, sick and in prison and you did not visit
me.’

Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when
did we see thee hungry or thirsty or a
stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and
did not minister to thee?’

Then he will answer them, ‘Truly, I say
to you, as you did it not to one of the least of
these, you did it not to me.’

And they will go away into eternal
punishment, but the righteous into eternal
life.”

Matthew 25: 31-46 ASB

And he took a child, and put him in the
midst of them; and taking him in his arms,
he said to them, “Whoever receives one such
child in my name receives me; and whoever
receives me, receives not me but him who
sent me.”

Mark 9: 36-37 RSV

“...He who has two coats, let him share with
him who has none; and he who has food, let
him do likewise.”

Luke 3: 11 ASB

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is
neither slave nor free, there is neither male
nor female; for you are all one in Christ
Jesus. And if you are Christ’s, then you are
Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to
promise.

Galatians 3: 28-29 ASB

Let us then pursue what makes for peace and
for mutual upbuilding.

Romans 14: 19 RSV

They were commanded not to harm the grass
of the earth, or any green thing, or any
tree...

Revelation 9: 4 NKJV

Citizenship: Family

Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and reject not your mother's teaching; for they are a fair garland for your head, and pendants for your neck.

Proverbs 1: 8-9 RSV

Hear, O sons, a father's instruction, and be attentive, that you may gain insight; for I give you good precepts: do not forsake my teaching.

Proverbs 4: 1-2 RSV

"Let your heart hold fast my words; keep my commandments, and live; do not forget, and do not turn away from the words of my mouth. Get wisdom; get insight."

Proverbs 4: 4-5 RSV

My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching.

Bind them upon your heart always; tie them about your neck.

Proverbs 6: 20-21 RSV

For the commandment is a lamp and the teaching a light, and the reproofs of discipline are the way of life...

Proverbs 6: 23 RSV

A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish son is a sorrow to his mother.

Proverbs 10: 1 RSV

A son who gathers in summer is prudent, but a son who sleeps in harvest brings shame.

Proverbs 10: 5 RSV

A good wife is the crown of her husband, but she who brings shame is like rottenness in his bones.

Proverbs 12: 4 RSV

A wise son hears his father's instruction, but a scoffer does not listen to rebuke.

Proverbs 13: 1 RSV

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the sinner's wealth is laid up for the righteous.

Proverbs 13: 22 RSV

Wisdom builds her house, but folly with her own hands tears it down.

Proverbs 14: 1 RSV

Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of sons is their fathers.

Proverbs 17: 6 RSV

House and wealth are inherited from fathers, but a prudent wife is from the LORD.

Proverbs 19: 14 RSV

A foolish son is ruin to his father, and a wife's quarreling is a continual dripping of rain.

Proverbs 19: 13 RSV

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

Proverbs 22: 6 RSV

A righteous man who walks in his integrity--blessed are his sons after him!

Proverbs 20: 7 RSV

Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you beat him with a rod, he will not die. If you beat him with the rod you will save his life from Sheol.

Proverbs 23: 13-14 RSV

The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who begets a wise son will be glad in him.

Proverbs 23: 24 RSV

Hearken to your father who begot you, and do not despise your mother when she is old.

Proverbs 23: 22 RSV

Let your father and mother be glad, let her who bore you rejoice.

Proverbs 23: 25 RSV

Hearken to your father who begot you, and do not despise your mother when she is old.

Proverbs 23: 22 RSV

The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice; he who begets a wise son will be glad in him.

Proverbs 23: 24 RSV

There are those who curse their fathers and do not bless their mothers.

Proverbs 30: 11 RSV

A good wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life.

Proverbs 31: 10-12 RSV

[A good wife] seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands. She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from afar. She rises while it is yet night and provides food for her household and tasks for her maidens.

Proverbs 31: 13-15 RSV

[A good wife] girds her loins with strength and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night.

Proverbs 31: 16-18 RSV

[A good wife] opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid of snow for her household, for all her household are clothed in scarlet. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple.

Proverbs 31: 20-22 RSV

[A good wife's] husband is known in the gates, when he sits among the elders of the land.

Proverbs 31: 23 RSV

Strength and dignity are [a good wife's] clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness.

Proverbs 31: 25-27 RSV

[A good wife's] children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all."

Proverbs 31: 28-29 RSV

Enjoy life with the wife whom you love, all the days of your vain life which he has given you under the sun, because that is your portion in life and in your toil at which you toil under the sun.

Ecclesiastes 9: 9 RSV

For the wife does not rule over her own body, but the husband does; likewise the husband does not rule over his own body, but the wife does. Do not refuse one another except perhaps by agreement for a season...

Corinthians I 7: 4-5 RSV

To the married I give charge, not I but the Lord, that the wife should not separate from her husband (but if she does, let her remain single or else be reconciled to her husband)—and that the husband should not divorce his wife.

Corinthians I 7: 10-11 RSV

Wife, how do you know whether you will save your husband? Husband, how do you know whether you will save your wife? Only, let every one lead the life which the Lord has assigned to him, and in which God has called him.

Corinthians I 7: 16-17 RSV

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. As the church is subject to Christ, so let wives also be subject in everything to their husbands.

Ephesians 5: 22-23 RSV

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her...

Ephesians 5: 25-26 RSV

Even so husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For no man ever hates his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, as Christ does the church, because we are members of his body.

Ephesians 5: 28-30 RSV

[L]et each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Ephesians 5: 33 RSV

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), "that it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth."

Ephesians 6: 1-3 RSV

Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

Ephesians 6: 4 RSV

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them.

Colossians 3: 18-19 RSV

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

Colossians 3: 20 RSV

Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

Colossians 3: 21 RSV

Do not rebuke an older man but exhort him as you would a father; treat younger men like brothers, older women like mothers, younger women like sisters, in all purity.

Timothy I 5: 1-2 RSV

Honor widows who are real widows. If a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn their religious duty to their own family and make some return to their parents; for this is acceptable in the sight of God.

Timothy I 5: 3-4 RSV

If any one does not provide for his relatives, and especially for his own family, he has disowned the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

Timothy I 5: 8 RSV

Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

Timothy II 1: 6-7 RSV

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings...

Timothy II 3: 14-15 RSV

“My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor lose courage when you are punished by him. For the Lord disciplines him whom he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.”

Hebrews 12: 5-6 RSV

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons.

Hebrews 12: 7-8 RSV

Give honor to marriage, and remain faithful to one another in marriage. God will surely judge people who are immoral and those who commit adultery.

Hebrews 13: 4 TLB

Now concerning the matters about which you wrote. It is well for a man not to touch a woman. But because of the temptation to immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband.

The husband should give to his wife her conjugal rights, and likewise the wife to her husband. For the wife does not rule over her own body, but the husband does; likewise the husband does not rule over his own body, but the wife does. Do not refuse one another except perhaps by agreement for a season, that you may devote yourselves to prayer; but then come together again, lest Satan tempt you through lack of self-control. I say this by way of concession, not of command.

I wish that all were as I myself am. But each has his own special gift from God, one of one kind and one of another. To the unmarried and the widows I say that it is well for them to remain single as I do. But if they cannot exercise self-control, they should marry. For it is better to marry than to be aflame with passion.

To the married I give charge, not I but the Lord, that the wife should not separate from her husband (but if she does, let her remain single or else be reconciled to her husband)—and that the husband should not divorce his wife. To the rest I say, not the Lord, that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he should not divorce her.

If any woman has a husband who is an unbeliever, and he consents to live with her, she should not divorce him. For the unbelieving husband is consecrated through his wife, and the unbelieving wife is consecrated through her husband. Otherwise, your children would be unclean, but as it is they are holy. But if the unbelieving partner desires to separate, let it be so; in such a case the brother or sister is not bound. For God

has called us to peace. Wife, how do you know whether you will save your husband? Husband, how do you know whether you will save your wife? Only, let every one lead the life which the Lord has assigned to him, and in which God has called him. This is my rule in all the churches.

Corinthians I 7: 1-17 RSV

And have you forgotten the exhortation which addresses you as sons?—"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor lose courage when you are punished by him. For the Lord disciplines him whom he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons; for what son is there whom his father does not discipline? If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. Besides this, we have had earthly fathers to discipline us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? For they disciplined us for a short time at their pleasure, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness.

For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant; later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

Hebrews 12: 5-11 RSV

Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled; for God will judge the immoral and adulterous.

Hebrews 13: 4 RSV

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives, and do not be harsh with them.

Colossians 3: 18-19 RSV

Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.

Colossians 3: 20 RSV

Fathers, do not provoke your children, lest they become discouraged.

Colossians 3: 21 RSV

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life which is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I thank God whom I serve with a clear conscience, as did my fathers, when I remember you constantly in my prayers. As I remember your tears, I long night and day to see you, that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lo'is and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you.

Hence I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of timidity but a spirit of power and love and self-control.

Timothy II 1: 1-7 RSV

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Timothy II 3: 14-15 RSV

Citizenship: Career/Work

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it.

Genesis 2: 15 RSV

“May the LORD reward your work, and your wages be full from the LORD, the God of Israel, under whose wings you have come to seek refuge.”

Ruth 2: 12 ASB

Behold, what I have seen to be good and to be fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life which God has given him, for this is his lot.

Ecclesiastes 5: 18 RSV

You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes nor figs from thistles, are they? So every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. So then, you will know them by their fruits.

Matthew 7: 16-20 ASB

Therefore they said to Him, “What shall we do, so that we may work the works of God?” Jesus answered and said to them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent.”

John 6: 28-29 ASB

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.

Timothy II 2: 15 RSV

Citizenship: Finances/Wealth

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing forth in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey...

Deuteronomy 8: 7-8 RSV

Take heed lest you forget the LORD your God, by not keeping his commandments and his ordinances and his statutes, which I command you this day

Deuteronomy 8: 11 RSV

Beware lest you say in your heart, 'My power and the might of my hand have gotten me this wealth.'

Deuteronomy 8: 17 RSV

You shall remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth; that he may confirm his covenant which he swore to your fathers, as at this day.

Deuteronomy 8: 18 RSV

And if you forget the LORD your God and go after other gods and serve them and worship them, I solemnly warn you this day that you shall surely perish.

Deuteronomy 8: 19 RSV

Like the nations that the LORD makes to perish before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the LORD your God.

Deuteronomy 8: 20 RSV

If there is among you a poor man, one of your brethren...you shall not harden your heart or shut your hand against your poor brother, but you shall open your hand to him, and lend him sufficient for his need...

Deuteronomy 15: 7-8 RSV

You shall give to him freely, and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him; because for this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake.

Deuteronomy 15: 10 RSV

For the poor will never cease out of the land; therefore I command you, You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in the land.

Deuteronomy 15: 11 RSV

"[E]very man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD your God which he has given you."

Deuteronomy 16: 17 RSV

"Go back to your homes with much wealth, and with very many cattle, with silver, gold, bronze, and iron, and with much clothing; divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren."

Joshua 22: 8 RSV

I will extol thee, O LORD, for thou hast drawn me up, and hast not let my foes rejoice over me.

Psalms 30: 1 RSV

O LORD my God, I cried to thee for help, and thou hast healed me.

Psalms 30: 2 RSV

O LORD, thou hast brought up my soul
from Sheol, restored me to life from among
those gone down to the Pit.

Psalms 30: 3 RSV

Sing praises to the LORD, O you his saints,
and give thanks to his holy name.

Psalms 30: 4 RSV

By thy favor, O LORD, thou hadst
established me as a strong mountain; thou
didst hide thy face, I was dismayed.

Psalms 30: 7 RSV

Vindicate me, O LORD, my God, according
to thy righteousness; and let them not rejoice
over me!

Psalms 35: 24 RSV

Let them be put to shame and confusion
altogether who rejoice at my calamity! Let
them be clothed with shame and dishonor
who magnify themselves against me!

Psalms 35: 26 RSV

Let those who desire my vindication shout
for joy and be glad, and say evermore,
“Great is the LORD, who delights in the
welfare of his servant!”

Psalms 35: 27 RSV

Blessed is he who considers the poor! The
LORD delivers him in the day of trouble; the
LORD protects him and keeps him alive; he
is called blessed in the land; thou dost not
give him up to the will of his enemies.

Psalms 41: 1-2 RSV

Thou art my King and my God, who
ordainest victories for Jacob.

Through thee we push down our foes;
through thy name we tread down our
assailants.

Psalms 44: 4-5 RSV

For not in my bow do I trust, nor can my
sword save me.

But thou hast saved us from our foes,
and hast put to confusion those who hate us.

Psalms 44: 6-7 RSV

In God we have boasted continually, and we
will give thanks to thy name for ever.

[Selah]

Psalms 44: 8 RSV

Why should I fear in times of trouble, when
the iniquity of my persecutors surrounds me,
men who trust in their wealth and boast of
the abundance of their riches?

Psalms 49: 5-6 RSV

Truly no man can ransom himself, or give to
God the price of his life, for the ransom of
his life is costly, and can never suffice, that
he should continue to live on for ever, and
never see the Pit.

Psalms 49: 7-8 RSV

...even the wise die, the fool and the stupid
alike must perish and leave their wealth to
others.

Psalms 49: 10 RSV

Man cannot abide in his pomp, he is like the
beasts that perish.

Psalms 49: 12 RSV

But God will ransom my soul from the
power of Sheol, for he will receive me.

[Selah]

Psalms 49: 15 RSV

Be not afraid when one becomes rich,
when the glory of his house increases.

For when he dies he will carry nothing
away; his glory will not go down after him.

Psalms 49: 16-17 RSV

Praise the LORD. Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who greatly delights in his commandments!

His descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Psalms 112: 1-2 RSV

Light rises in the darkness for the upright; the LORD is gracious, merciful, and righteous.

Psalms 112: 4 RSV

It is well with the man who deals generously and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice.

For the righteous will never be moved; he will be remembered for ever.

Psalms 112: 5-6 RSV

This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day which the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalms 118: 23-24 RSV

Save us, we beseech thee, O LORD! O LORD, we beseech thee, give us success!

Psalms 118: 25 RSV

Blessed be he who enters in the name of the LORD! We bless you from the house of the LORD.

Psalms 118: 26 RSV

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they prosper who love you!

Peace be within your walls, and security within your towers!"

Psalms 122: 6-7 RSV

For my brethren and companions' sake I will say, "Peace be within you!"

For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.

Psalms 122: 8-9 RSV

Honor the LORD with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Proverbs 3: 9-10 RSV

Treasures gained by wickedness do not profit, but righteousness delivers from death.

Proverbs 10: 2 RSV

A slack hand causes poverty, but the hand of the diligent makes rich.

Proverbs 10: 4 RSV

A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children, but the sinner's wealth is laid up for the righteous.

Proverbs 13: 22 RSV

Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

Proverbs 19: 1 RSV

He who gives to the poor will not want, but he who hides his eyes will get many a curse.

Proverbs 28: 27 RSV

He who is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deed.

Proverbs 19: 17 RSV

The blessing of the LORD makes rich, and he adds no sorrow with it.

Proverbs 10: 22 RSV

Wealth brings many new friends, but a poor man is deserted by his friend.

Proverbs 19: 4 RSV

The getting of treasures by a lying tongue is a fleeting vapor and a snare of death.

Proverbs 21: 6 RSV

The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender.

Proverbs 22: 7 RSV

Better is a poor man who walks in his integrity than a rich man who is perverse in his ways.

Proverbs 28: 6 RSV

A faithful man will abound with blessings, but he who hastens to be rich will not go unpunished.

Proverbs 28: 20 RSV

A miserly man hastens after wealth, and does not know that want will come upon him.

Proverbs 28: 22 RSV

He who tills his land will have plenty of bread, but he who follows worthless pursuits will have plenty of poverty.

Proverbs 28: 19 RSV

And on that day a great panic from the LORD shall fall on them, so that each will lay hold on the hand of his fellow, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other...

Zechariah 14: 13 RSV

Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house; and thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.

Malachi 3: 10 RSV

“Beware of practicing your piety before men in order to be seen by them; for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 6: 1 RSV

“[W]hen you give alms, sound no trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may be praised by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward.”

Matthew 6: 2 RSV

“But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.”

Matthew 6: 3-4 RSV

Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven...for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6: 19-21 ASB

Jesus said to him, “If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.”

Matthew 19: 21 RSV

Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour. “For it will be as when a man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away.

He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master’s money.

Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.’

And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.’

He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with

interest.

So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to every one who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.’

Matthew 25: 13-30 ASB

He answered and said to them, “He who has two tunics, let him give to him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise.”

Luke 3: 11 RSV

“Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven;

Luke 6: 37 RSV

[G]ive, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

Luke 6: 38 RSV

“But rather give alms of such things as you have; then indeed all things are clean to you.”

Luke 11: 41 RSV

“Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Luke 12: 33-34 RSV

Then He said to them, “Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions.”

Luke 12: 15 ASB

“I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

Acts 20: 35 RSV

Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.

Romans 12: 10-13 RSV

Stay away from the love of money; be satisfied with what you have. For God has said, “I will never fail you. I will never forsake you.”

Hebrews 13: 5 TLB

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.

Corinthians I 13: 3 RSV

On the first day of the week let each one of you lay something aside, storing up as he may prosper, that there be no collections when I come.

Corinthians I 16: 2 RSV

The point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

Corinthians II 9: 6 RSV

Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Corinthians II 9: 7 RSV

Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his hands, so that he may be able to give to those in need.

Ephesians 4: 28 RSV

There is great gain in godliness with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world; but if we have food and clothing, with these we shall be content.

Timothy I 6: 6-8 RSV

But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction.

Timothy I 6: 9 RSV

For the love of money is the root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced their hearts with many pangs.

Timothy I 6: 10 RSV

But if any one has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him?

John I 3: 17 RSV

Little children, let us not love in word or speech but in deed and in truth.

John I 3: 18 RSV

You say, ‘I am rich. I have everything I want. I don't need a thing!’ And you don't realize that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked.

Revelation 3: 17 TLB