

## **Guidance, Instruction**

. . . You meant evil against me, but God meant it for good in order to bring about this present result, to preserve many people alive. GENESIS 50.20b

Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be prolonged in the land which the Lord your God gives you. EXODUS 20.12

You shall not steal, nor deal falsely, nor lie to one another. LEVITICUS 19.11

And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words, which I am commanding you today, shall be on your heart; and you shall teach them diligently to your sons and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise up. DEUTERONOMY 6.5–7

. . . Man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by everything that proceeds out of the mouth of the Lord. DEUTERONOMY 8.3b

You shall therefore impress these words of mine on your heart and on your soul; and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontals on your forehead. And you shall teach them to your sons, talking of them when you sit in your house and when you walk along the road and when you lie down and when you rise up. DEUTERONOMY 11.18.19

Be strong and courageous, do not be afraid or tremble at them, for the Lord your God is the one who goes with you. He will not fail you or forsake you. DEUTERONOMY 31.6

And the Lord is the one who goes ahead of you; He will be with you. He will not fail you or forsake you. Do not fear, or be dismayed. DEUTERONOMY 31.8

This book of the law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it; for then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have success. JOSHUA 1.8

Be strong and courageous! Do not tremble or be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go. JOSHUA 1.9

God is my strong fortress; And He sets the blameless in His way. He makes my feet like hinds' feet, And sets me on my high places. He trains my hands for battle, So that my arms can bend a bow of bronze. You have also given me the shield of Your salvation, and your help makes me great. 2 SAMUEL 22.33–36

How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the doctrine of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night. He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, Which yields its fruit in its season And its leaf does not wither; And in whatever he does, he prospers. PSALMS 1.1–3

I will bless the Lord who has counseled me; Indeed, my mind instructs me in the night. PSALMS 16.7

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. PSALMS 23.1

He restores my soul; He guides me in the wagon tracks of righteousness because of His integrity. PSALMS 23.3

Guide me with Your doctrine and train me, for You are the God of my deliverance; all day long I have confidence in you. PSALMS 25.5

Good and upright is the Lord; Therefore He instructs sinners in the way. He leads the humble in justice, And He teaches the humble His way. All the paths of the Lord are lovingkindness and truth . . . . PSALMS 25.8–10a

One thing I have asked from the Lord, that I shall seek: That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, To behold the beauty of the Lord And to meditate in His temple. PSALMS 27.4

Wait for the Lord; Be strong and let your heart take courage; Yes, wait for the Lord. PSALMS 27.14

For You are my rock and my fortress; For Your name's sake You will lead me and guide me. PSALMS 31.3

I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you should go; I will counsel you with My eye upon you. PSALMS 32.8

Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you to be occupied the Lord. Who is the person who desires life, and desires to see a good many days? Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking lies. Depart from evil [sin and human good], and do [divine] good; seek prosperity [momentum in the plan of God], and pursue it [perception of doctrine]. PSALMS 34.11–14

Delight yourself in the Lord; And He will give you the desires of your heart. PSALMS 37.4

Commit your way to the Lord, Trust also in Him, and He will do it. PSALMS 37.5

Rest in the Lord and wait patiently for Him; Do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, Because of the man who carries out wicked schemes. PSALMS 37.7

Cease from anger and forsake wrath; Do not fret; it leads only to evildoing. PSALMS 37.8

The steps of a man are established by the Lord; And He delights in his way. When he falls, he shall not be hurled headlong; Because the Lord is the One who holds his hand. PSALMS 37.23,24

Teach us to number our days correctly, that we may gain a right-lobe full of doctrine. PSALMS 90.12

Satisfy us in the morning with Your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be happy [have inner happiness] all of our days. PSALMS 90.14

How can a young man keep his way pure? By keeping it according to Your word. PSALMS 119.9

Your word I have treasured in my heart, That I may not sin against You. PSALMS 119 11

Your word is a lamp to my feet And a light to my path. PSALMS 119.105

Those who love Your doctrine have great prosperity, and nothing causes them to stumble. PSALMS 119.165

He will not allow your foot to slip; He who keeps you will not slumber. PSALMS 121.3

Search me, O God, and know my heart; try me and know my anxious thoughts; And see if there be any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the everlasting way. PSALMS 139.23,24

Blessed be the Lord, my rock, Who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle; My lovingkindness and my fortress, My stronghold and my deliverer; My shield and He in whom I take refuge . . . . PSALMS 144.1,2a

Hear, my son, your father's instruction And do not forsake your mother's teaching; Indeed, they are a graceful wreath to your head And ornaments about your neck. PROVERBS 1.8,9

My son, do not forget my teaching, but let your right-lobe keep my commandments; For length of days and years of life, plus prosperity they will add to you. PROVERBS 3.1,2

Do not let kindness and truth leave you; Bind them around your neck, Write them on the tablet of your heart. So you will find favor and good repute In the sight of God and man. PROVERBS 3.3,4

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He will make your paths straight. PROVERBS 3.5,6

Happiness to the man who finds wisdom and the man who gains understanding. For its [doctrine's] profit is better than the profit of silver, and its [doctrine's] gain greater than fine gold. She [doctrine] is more precious than jewels; and nothing you desire compares with her. Long life is in her right hand; in her left hand are riches and honor. Her ways are pleasant ways, and all her paths are prosperity. She is a tree of life to those who take hold of her, And happy are all who hold her fast. PROVERBS 3.13–18

By His knowledge the deeps were broken up And the skies drip with dew. My son, let them not vanish from your sight; Keep sound wisdom and discretion, So they will be life to your soul And adornment to your neck. Then you will walk in your way securely And your foot will not stumble. PROVERBS 3.20–23

I have directed you in the way of wisdom; I have led you in upright paths. When you walk, your steps will not be impeded; And if you run, you will not stumble. Take hold of instruction; do not let go. Guard her, for she is your life. PROVERBS 4.11–13

But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, That shines brighter and brighter until the full day. PROVERBS 4.18

My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your sight; Keep them in the midst of your heart. For they are life to those who find them And health to all their body. PROVERBS 4.20–22

Drink water from your own cistern And fresh water from your own well. Should your springs be dispersed abroad, Streams of water in the streets? Let them be yours alone And not for strangers with you. Let your fountain be blessed, And rejoice in the wife of your youth. As a loving hind and a graceful doe, Let her breasts satisfy you at all times; Be exhilarated always with her love. For why should you, my son, be exhilarated with an adulteress And embrace the bosom of a foreigner? For the ways of a man are before the eyes of the Lord, And He watches all his paths. His own iniquities will capture the wicked, And he will be held with the cords of his sin. He will die for lack of instruction, And in the greatness of his folly he will go astray. PROVERBS 5.15–23

For the commandment is a lamp, and the teaching is light; And reproofs for discipline are the way of life. PROVERBS 6.23

Give instruction to a wise man and he will be still wiser, Teach a righteous man and he will increase his learning. Occupation with the Lord [Christ] is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding. For by me your days will be multiplied, And years of life will be added to you. PROVERBS 9.9–11

He is on the path of life who heeds instruction, But he who ignores reproof goes astray. PROVERBS 10.17

A hot-tempered man stirs up strife, But the slow to anger calms a dispute. PROVERBS 15.18

The highway of the upright is to depart from evil; He who watches his way preserves his life. PROVERBS 16.17

He who gives attention to the word will find good, And blessed is he who trusts in the Lord. PROVERBS 16.20

He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous, Both of them alike are an abomination to the Lord. PROVERBS 17.15

He who restrains his words has knowledge, And he who has a cool spirit is a man of understanding. PROVERBS 17.27

He who gets wisdom loves his own soul; He who keeps understanding will find good. PROVERBS 19.8

Listen to counsel and accept discipline, That you may be wise the rest of your days. PROVERBS 19.20

It is better to live in a desert land Than with a contentious and vexing woman. PROVERBS 21.19

Train up a child in the way he should go, Even when he is old he will not depart from it. PROVERBS 22.6

For as a person thinks within himself, so he is. PROVERBS 23.7a

Apply your heart to discipline and your ears to words of knowledge. PROVERBS 23.12

Do not hold back discipline from the child, although you strike him with the rod, he will not die. PROVERBS 23.13

My son, if your heart is wise, My own heart also will be glad; And my inmost being will rejoice when your lips speak what is right. PROVERBS 23.15,16

Do not let your right-lobe envy sinners, but live in occupation with the Lord all day long. PROVERBS 23.17

Listen, my son, and be wise, And direct your heart in the way. PROVERBS 23.19

Listen to your father who begot you, And do not despise your mother when she is old. PROVERBS 23.22

The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice, And he who sires a wise son will be glad in him. PROVERBS 23.24

Let your father and your mother be glad, And let her rejoice who gave birth to you. PROVERBS 23.25

Do not be envious of evil men, Nor desire to be with them; For their minds devise violence, And their lips talk of trouble. PROVERBS 24.1,2

By wisdom a house is built, And by understanding it is established; And by knowledge the rooms are filled With all precious and pleasant riches. PROVERBS 24.3,4

A wise man is strong, And a man of knowledge increases power. PROVERBS 24.5

Do not boast about tomorrow, For you do not know what a day may bring forth. PROVERBS 27.1

He who turns away his ear from listening to the doctrine, Even his prayer is an abomination. PROVERBS 28.9

The rod and reproof give wisdom, But a child who gets his own way brings shame to his mother. PROVERBS 29.15

Correct your son, and he will give you comfort; He will also delight your soul. PROVERBS 29.17

Do not be eager in your heart to be angry, for anger resides in the bosom of fools. ECCLESIASTES 7.9

And He will be the stability of your times, a wealth of salvation, wisdom and knowledge; occupation with the Lord is his treasure. ISAIAH 33.6

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth does not become weary or tired. His understanding is inscrutable. He gives strength to the weary, and to him who lacks might He increases power. ISAIAH 40.28,29

Yet those who wait for the Lord will gain new strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary. ISAIAH 40.31

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they will not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be scorched, nor will the flame burn you. ISAIAH 43.2

"Come near to Me, listen to this: From the first I have not spoken in secret, From the time it took place, I was there. And now the Lord God has sent Me, and His Spirit." ISAIAH 48.16

Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; "I am the Lord your God, who teaches you to profit, Who leads you in the way you should go." ISAIAH 48.17

But you will not go out in haste, Nor will you go as fugitives; For the Lord will go before you, And the God of Israel will be your rear guard. ISAIAH 52.12

Seek the Lord while He may be found [make Bible doctrine your first priority]; Call upon Him while He is near [if you are still alive, you have equal privilege and equal opportunity]. ISAIAH 55.6

And the Lord will continually guide you, And satisfy your desire in scorched places, And give strength to your bones; And you will be like a watered garden, And like a spring of water whose waters do not fail. ISAIAH 58.11

Your doctrines were found and I ate them, therefore your words became for me happiness and the delight of my right-lobe; For I have been called by Your name, O Lord, Lord of the armies. JEREMIAH 15.16

'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope. JEREMIAH 29.11

Call to Me, and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know. JEREMIAH 33.3

"The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "Therefore I have hope in Him." The Lord is good to those who wait on [trust in] Him, to the soul who seeks Him [perpetuated positive volition toward doctrinal teaching]. LAMENTATIONS 3.24,25

If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the furnace of blazing fire; and if He wants to, He will deliver us out of your hands, O king. But even if He does not, be it known, O king, that we are not going to bow down and worship your gods or the golden image that you have constructed. DANIEL 3.17,18

And those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. DANIEL 12.3

. . . The righteous will live by faith. HABAKKUK 2.4b

The Lord God is my strength, And He has made my feet like hinds' feet, And makes me walk on my high places . . . . HABAKKUK 3.19a

. . . Man shall not live on bread alone, but by every word [Bible doctrine] that comes from the mouth of God. MATTHEW 4.4

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

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. MATTHEW 6.20,21

Ask, and it shall be given to you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it shall be opened. MATTHEW 7.7,8

"Keep watching and praying that you may not enter into temptation; the spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." MATTHEW 26.41

For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul? MARK 8.36

... Happy are they that hear the word of God, and do it. LUKE 11.28b

God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in [the filling of the] spirit and [biblical] truth. JOHN 4.24

... "If you abide in My word, then you are truly disciples of Mine; and you shall know the doctrine, and the doctrine shall make you free." JOHN 8.31b,32

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. JOHN 13.34

The Mentor, the Holy Spirit, . . . will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you. JOHN 14.26

But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth; for He will not speak on His own initiative, but whatever He hears, He will speak; and He will disclose to you what is to come. JOHN 16.13

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because that which is known about God is evident within them; for God made it evident to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse. For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools. ROMANS 1.18–22

Yet, with respect to the promise of God, he [Abraham] did not waver in unbelief, but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform. ROMANS 4.20,21

For the married woman is bound by law to her husband while he is living; but if her husband dies, she is released from the law concerning the husband. ROMANS 7.2

Stop being conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. For I say through the grace which has been given to me to everyone who is among you, stop thinking of self in terms of arrogance, beyond what you ought to think; but think in terms of sanity, as God has assigned to each one of us a standard of thinking from doctrine. ROMANS 12.2,3

Your faith should not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God. 1 CORINTHIANS 2.5

Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may know the things freely given to us by God, which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words. 1 CORINTHIANS 2.12,13

For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he should instruct Him? But we have the thinking of Christ. 1 CORINTHIANS 2.16

Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. 1 CORINTHIANS 6.18

The husband must fulfill his duty to his wife, and likewise also the wife to her husband. The wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does; and likewise also the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does. Stop depriving one another, except by agreement for a time, so that you may devote yourselves to prayer, and come together again so that Satan will not tempt you because of your lack of self-control. 1 CORINTHIANS 7.3–5

But to the married I give instructions, not I, but the Lord, that the wife should not leave her husband (but if she does leave, she must remain unmarried, or else be reconciled to her husband), and that the husband should not divorce his wife. 1 CORINTHIANS 7.10,11

But to the rest [mixed marriages (believer and unbeliever)] I say, not the Lord, that if any brother has a wife who is an unbeliever, and she consents to live with him, he must not divorce her. And a woman who has an unbelieving husband, and he consents to live with her, she must not send her husband away. For the unbelieving husband is sanctified through his wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified through her believing husband; for otherwise your children are unclean, but now they are holy. Yet if the unbelieving one leaves, let him leave; the brother or the sister is not under bondage in such cases, but God has called us to peace. For how do you know, O wife, whether you will save your husband? Or how do you know, O husband, whether you will save your wife? 1 CORINTHIANS 7.12–16

A wife is bound as long as her husband lives; but if her husband is dead, she is free to be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord. 1 CORINTHIANS 7.39

No temptation has overtaken you but such as is common to man; and God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape also, so that you will be able to endure it.

1 CORINTHIANS 10.13

For we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 CORINTHIANS 5.7

But what I am doing I will continue to do, so that I may cut off opportunity from those who desire an opportunity to be regarded just as we are in the matter about which they are boasting. For such men are false apostles, deceitful workers, disguising themselves as apostles of Christ. No wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. Therefore it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness, whose end will be according to their deeds. 2 CORINTHIANS 11.12–15

It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery. GALATIANS 5.1

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh. GALATIANS 5.16

But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the Law. GALATIANS 5.18

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. GALATIANS 5.22,23

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. GALATIANS 5.25

In Whom we have received a destiny, having been pre-designed according to a predetermined plan from the One who works all things according to the decree from His Will and purpose. EPHESIANS 1.11

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them. EPHESIANS 2.10

That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man; so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; and that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and get to know the love of Christ which surpasses all academic knowledge [and emotion], that you may be filled resulting in all the fullness of blessing from the source of God. EPHESIANS 3.16–19

As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming; but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ. EPHESIANS 4.14,15

Therefore become refreshed [renewed (name known sins per 1 John 1.9), reinvigorated (filled with the Holy Spirit), that is, resumption of your spiritual life after failure] through the agency of the Holy Spirit by means of your [spiritual] thinking. EPHESIANS 4.23

Stop grieving [failing to name known sins—per 1 John 1.9] the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. EPHESIANS 4.30

Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not be partakers with them; For you were formerly darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of light (for the fruit of the Light consists in all goodness and righteousness and truth), trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. EPHESIANS 5.6–10

Therefore he communicates, "Wake up you sleeping one [ignorant of doctrine], and get up from among the dead ones [walking dead—out of fellowship], and Christ will shine on you." Therefore beware how accurately you walk, not as stupid ones, but as wise ones, constantly buying time, because the days are evil. Because of this, stop being ignorant, but completely and thoroughly understand the will [purpose, policy] of the Lord. And stop getting intoxicated with wine, which is debautchery, but keep on being filled with the Spirit. EPHESIANS 5.14–18

Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body. But as the church is subject to Christ, so also the wives ought to be to their husbands in everything. EPHESIANS 5.22–24

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her, EPHESIANS 5.25

So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself; EPHESIANS 5.28

For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. EPHESIANS 5.31

Nevertheless, each individual among you also is to love his own wife even as himself, and the wife must see to it that she respects her husband. EPHESIANS 5.33

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. Honor your father and mother (which is the first commandment with a promise), so that it may be well with you, and that you may live long on the earth. EPHESIANS 6.1–3

And, fathers [parents] do not provoke your children to anger; but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord. EPHESIANS 6.4b

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. EPHESIANS 6.10–13

Stand firm therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; in addition to all, taking up the shield of faith with which you will be able to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. EPHESIANS 6.14–17

With all prayer and petition pray at all times in the Spirit, and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition for all the saints. EPHESIANS 6.18

Brethren [members of the royal family of God], I evaluate myself to have not yet attained [pleroma status (maximum glorification of God)]; but one thing on which I concentrate: forgetting what lies behind [past failures in carnality or reversionism] and pressing toward what lies ahead [pleroma status], I keep advancing to the objective [dying grace] for the purpose of reward [escrow blessings] belonging to the upward station [eternity] from God in Christ Jesus. PHILIPPIANS 3.13,14

... I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having

abundance and suffering need. I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. PHILIPPIANS 4.11b-13

To whom God decreed to make known what are the riches of His glory of this mystery [God's glory as manifested in the royal family, not revealed until the Church Age] in the Gentiles [gentile believers — the Church Age has interrupted the Jewish Age], which is, Christ in you, the hope [confident anticipation] of glory. COLOSSIANS 1.27

Wives, be subject to your husbands, as is fitting in the Lord. COLOSSIANS 3.18

Husbands, love your wives and do not be embittered against them. COLOSSIANS 3.19

Children, be obedient to your parents in all things, for this is well-pleasing to the Lord. COLOSSIANS 3.20

Fathers [parents], do not exasperate your children, that they may not lose heart. COLOSSIANS 3.21

Whatever you do, do your work heartily, as for the Lord rather than for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance. It is the Lord Christ whom you serve. COLOSSIANS 3.23,24

Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with an attitude of thanksgiving; COLOSSIANS 4.2

See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one another and for all people. 1 THESSALONIANS 5.15

Pray without ceasing. 1 THESSALONIANS 5.17

Stop squelching [prolonged carnality] the [Holy] Spirit. 1 THESSALONIANS 5.19

. . . I [Paul] urge that entreaties and prayers, petitions and thanksgivings, be made on behalf of all men, for kings and all who are in authority, so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life in all godliness and dignity. This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 1 TIMOTHY 2.1b-4

Fight the good fight of faith; take an interest in eternal life to which you were called, and you made a good witness in the presence of many witnesses. 1 TIMOTHY 6.12

Retain the standard of sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. Guard the noble deposit [doctrine in the stream of consciousness] through the agency of the Holy Spirit who keeps on dwelling in us. 2 TIMOTHY 1.13,14

Study to show yourself approved unto God, a workman that does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. 2 TIMOTHY 2.15

Now flee from youthful lusts and pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, with those who call on the Lord from a pure heart. 2 TIMOTHY 2.22

But refuse foolish and ignorant speculations, knowing that they produce quarrels. 2 TIMOTHY 2.23

All Scripture is God-breathed and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness that the man of God may be mature, thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 TIMOTHY 3.16,17

I have fought that honorable fight [advancing to and maintaining maturity until death], I have finished the course, I have guarded the doctrine [resident in my soul]. In the future [eternity], a wreath of that righteousness [that is, of total fulfillment of spiritual objectives] is reserved for me, which wreath the Lord, the righteous Evaluator, will award me on that day [at the Evaluation Seat of Christ]; and not only to me, but to all those who love His appearing [mature believers who, from the detailed system of doctrine in their souls, eagerly anticipate the out-resurrection (Rapture), which will precede the Evaluation Seat of Christ]. 2 TIMOTHY 4.7,8

The word of God is alive and powerful, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of the soul and the spirit, and of the joints and the marrow, and is a critic of thoughts and intents of the heart. HEBREWS 4.12

Stop neglecting the assembling of yourselves together [learning doctrine under enforced humility], as is the habit of certain ones, but for the purpose of encouragement [from the doctrine learned]; even so much the more, as you see the day drawing near. HEBREWS 10.25

According to doctrine resident in the soul, all these died [Abraham and the other believer's in context who transferred under the principle of dying grace], not having received the promises [surpassing-grace blessings of eternity], but having seen them from a distance [from the high ground of spiritual maturity in time] and having saluted and embraced them [the entirety of dying grace] and having acknowledged that they were strangers [those who thought differently, i.e., divine viewpoint] and transients on the earth ["passing-through types" from grace to grace and glory to glory]. HEBREWS 11.13

Therefore, since we also have such a great battalion of witnesses [Old Testament Jeshurun-class believers in Christ (Adonai)] supporting us, having laid aside every impediment [distraction to concentration], and the easily ensnaring sin [your current area of weakness, handled by the continual function of naming your sins per 1 John 1.9], let us advance on the run with endurance [opposite of distraction] in the conflict to the present objective [pleroma = maximum glorification of God]. Concentrating on Jesus, the prince and perfecter of doctrine Who because of His exhibited joy [absolute happiness], He

endured the cross having disregarded the shame and He sat down on the right hand of the Father. HEBREWS 12.1,2

For consider Him who has endured such hostility by sinners against Himself, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart. You have not yet resisted to the point of shedding blood in your striving against sin; and you have forgotten the exhortation which is addressed to you as sons, "My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor faint when you are reproved by Him; for whom the Lord loves he disciplines, and he skins alive with a whip every son whom He receives." HEBREWS 12.3–6

See to it that no one comes short of the grace of God; that no root of bitterness springing up causes trouble, and by it many be defiled. HEBREWS 12.15

Obey your [spiritual] leaders [pastors], and submit to them; for they keep watch over your souls, as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you. HEBREWS 13.17

But if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all generously and without reproach, and it will be given to him. JAMES 1.5

... But let everyone be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger. The anger of man does not achieve the righteousness of God. . . . In humility receive the word implanted, which is able to save your souls. JAMES 1.19b–21b

Or do you presume that the Scripture speaks in vain against jealously? The Spirit who dwells in us pursues us with love, and He gives us greater grace. Therefore it says, "God makes war against the arrogant, but He gives grace to the humble." Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. JAMES 4.5–7

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands [name your sins to God the Father], you sinners; and purify your right-lobes, you double-minded. JAMES 4.8

Come now, you who think, "Today or tomorrow, we shall go to such and such a city, and spend a year there and engage in business and make a profit." You who do not know the things of tomorrow, what is your life [quality, purpose, meaning, goals]? You are just a vapor trail that appears for a little while [from the moment of salvation] and then vanishes away [physical death]. Instead, you ought to think, "If the Lord wills, we shall live and also do this [doctrine] or that [divine good]." JAMES 4.13–15

Therefore, putting aside all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander, like newborn babies, desire the unadulterated milk of the Word, so that by it you may grow up as a result of your salvation, if you have tasted the kindness of the Lord. 1 PETER 2.1–3

Submit yourselves for the Lord's sake to every human institution, whether to a king as the one in authority, or to governors as sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and the praise of those who do right. 1 PETER 2.13,14

For such is the will of God that by doing right you may silence the ignorance of foolish men. 1 PETER 2.15

. . . But if when you do what is right and suffer for it you patiently endure it, this finds favor with God. For this purpose you have been called, because Christ also suffered as a substitute for you, leaving you a copybook that you may follow in His steps.

1 PETER 2.20b,21

In the same way, you wives, be submissive to your own husbands so that even if any of them are disobedient to the word, they may be won without a word by the behavior of their wives, as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior. 1 PETER 3.1,2

Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time. 1 PETER 5.6

Casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you. 1 PETER 5.7

After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you. 1 PETER 5.10

Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord; seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence. He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, in order that by them you might become partakers of the divine nature . . . . 2 PETER 1.2–4a

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ . . . . 2 PETER 3.18a

What we have seen and heard we proclaim to you also, that you also may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father, and with His Son Jesus Christ. 1 JOHN 1.3

This is the message we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is Light, and in Him there is no darkness at all. 1 JOHN 1.5

But if we walk in the light as He Himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. 1 JOHN 1.7

Whoever keeps His word, truly in him the love for God has been completed. By this we know that we are in Him. 1 JOHN 2.5

For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that has overcome the world — our faith. 1 JOHN 5.4

And we know that the Son of God has come, and has given us understanding so that we may know Him who is true; and we are in Him who is true, in His Son Jesus Christ. This is the true God and eternal life. 1 JOHN 5.20

I was very glad to find some of your children walking in truth, just as we have received commandment to do from the Father. 2 JOHN 4

Watch yourselves, that you do not lose what we have accomplished, but that you may receive a full reward. 2 JOHN 8

Guard yourselves by means of love for God, as you wait with anticipation for the mercy (and loving kindness) of the Lord Jesus Christ with reference to eternal life. JUDE 21

Those whom I love, I reprimand [warning discipline] and punish [intensive discipline]; therefore, keep on being motivated [by the love of God and love for God] and change your mind [about sin; i.e., rebound—1 John 1.9]. REVELATION 3.19

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