

## **The Tsunami Blessing: Inside and Out, Part 35**

**Transfer your trust from the “other god, even if it is yourself” to the One and Only, True and Living God. Then your faith in God will be postured with an open heart that is always pure and perfect before the Lord without any potential betrayal. Your constant honor as well as humility before the Lord serves as your way of escape during every temptation. The baptism of God’s love casts out the fear of death so you can walk courageously in the fear of the Lord, i.e., your reverence for Him.**

**Always expect the best. Without any fear of evil foreboding, prepare for the worst. God has a future and hope that is for His glory and your good, never to harm you in anyway. Holy Spirit will show you how to possess the gates of your enemies so satan can’t get any access; the devil only bites after he finds a breach. Live determined that satan will not find anything in you that is in common with him or the demonic. Live free all the days of your life, so you live the days of heaven on earth without any oppression, but possession of the enemy’s gates.**

### **Restore the Generational Blessing**

**In response to fear, one will fight with it, flee from it, freeze in the face of it, or even feed on it.**

Wherever the love of God doesn’t rule, fear will exercise dominion through oppression.

- 1) God commanded Israel not to fear the Amorites [steal their command]; but the fear of them caused 7-year oppression.
- 2) Afraid of the Midianites, Gideon was threshing wheat in the winepress, instead of an open field.
- 3) Afraid that God was going to kill him because Gideon saw the face of an angel
- 4) Afraid of the people in his own town, Gideon hid behind his father after he destroyed the idol Baal and the adjacent grove as God directed
- 5) Afraid of trusting God, Gideon asked for two signs to ensure victory from God over the enemies; fleece and wet land and the reverse.
- 6) Afraid, Gideon’s son Jether hid behind his father and would not kill the two enemy kings as commanded, even with his father’s reinforcement.

## **Jesus freed you from oppression and possessed the gates of your enemies.**

Hebrews 2:14-15 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>14</sup>Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

<sup>15</sup>And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Hebrews 2:14-15 The Passion Translation (TPT)

<sup>14</sup>Since all his "children" have flesh and blood, so Jesus became human to fully identify with us. He did this, so that he could experience death and annihilate the effects of the intimidating accuser who holds against us the power<sup>[a]</sup> of death. <sup>15</sup>**By embracing death Jesus sets free those who live their entire lives in bondage<sup>[b]</sup> to the tormenting dread of death.**

## **The blessing that Abraham received from God after he offered Isaac as a living sacrifice includes the gates of the enemies.**

Genesis 22:16-18 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>16</sup>And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast not withheld thy son, thine only son:

<sup>17</sup>That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

<sup>18</sup>And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.

## **Indication of where the enemy sets**

Nehemiah 6:1-3 King James Version (KJV)

**6** Now it came to pass when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that I had builded the wall, and that there was no breach left therein; (though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;)

<sup>2</sup>That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief.

<sup>3</sup>And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you?

**Rev. 9:11 Apollyon [destroyer] is the king that works at the intersection in order to bring death, perish, mar, lose. That is to keep you away from something near in place, time, or relation; you are about to land the promise. The enemy tries to form a weapon to prevent you from the final separation, departure, cessation, completion, or reversal required for you to succeed.**

Psalm 127:4-5 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup>As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth.

<sup>5</sup>Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them: they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak [destroy, subdue] with the enemies in the gate.

Psalm 127:4-5 The Message (MSG)

<sup>3-5</sup>Don't you see that children are GOD's best gift?

the fruit of the womb his generous legacy?

Like a warrior's fistful of arrows

are the children of a vigorous youth.

Oh, how blessed are you parents,

with your quivers full of children!

Your enemies don't stand a chance against you;

you'll sweep them right off your doorstep.

Psalm 127:4-5 The Passion Translation (TPT)

<sup>4</sup>Children born to a young couple will one day rise to protect and provide for their parents.<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>5</sup>Happy will be the couple who has many of them!

A household full of children will not bring shame on your name

but victory when you face your enemies,  
for your offspring will have influence and honor<sup>[b]</sup>  
to prevail on your behalf!

**Footnotes:**

- a. **Psalm 127:4** The Hebrew text refers to children as “arrows in the hands of a warrior.” Our children will be our future protection and provision. So the more the merrier!
- b. **Psalm 127:5** The Hebrew includes a reference to “speaking with your enemies at the gate.” This is in the context of children being God’s way of blessing parents in their old age.

Isaiah 60 Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

**60** “Arise, shine [Yerushalayim],

for your light has come,  
the glory of *ADONAI*  
has risen over you.

<sup>2</sup>For although darkness covers the earth  
and thick darkness the peoples;  
on you *ADONAI* will rise;  
over you will be seen his glory.

<sup>3</sup>Nations will go toward your light  
and kings toward your shining splendor.

<sup>4</sup>Raise your eyes and look around:  
they are all assembling and coming to you;  
your sons are coming from far off,  
your daughters being carried on their nurses’ hips.

<sup>5</sup>Then you will see and be radiant,  
your heart will throb and swell with delight;  
for the riches of the seas will be brought to you,  
the wealth of nations will come to you.

<sup>6</sup>Caravans of camels will cover your land,  
young camels from Midyan and `Eifah,  
all of them coming from Sh’va,  
bringing gold and frankincense,  
and proclaiming the praises of *ADONAI*.

<sup>7</sup>All the flocks of Kedar will be gathered for you,  
the rams of N’vayot will be at your service;

they will come up and be received on my altar,  
as I glorify my glorious house.

<sup>8</sup>“Who are these, flying along like clouds,  
like doves to their dovecotes?

<sup>9</sup>The coastlands are putting their hope in me,  
with the ‘Tarshish’ ships in the lead,  
to bring your children from far away,  
and with them their silver and gold,  
for the sake of *ADONAI* your God,  
the Holy One of Isra’el, who glorifies you.

<sup>10</sup>Foreigners will rebuild your walls,  
their kings will be at your service;  
for in my anger I struck you,  
but in my mercy I pity you.

<sup>11</sup>Your gates will always be open,  
they will not be shut by day or by night,  
so that people can bring you the wealth of nations,  
with their kings led in procession.

<sup>12</sup>For the nation or kingdom that won’t serve you will perish;  
yes, those nations will be utterly destroyed.

<sup>13</sup>“The glory of the L’vanon will come to you,  
cypresses together with elm trees and larches,  
to beautify the site of my sanctuary —  
I will glorify the place where I stand.

<sup>14</sup>The children of your oppressors will come  
and bow low before you,  
all who despised you will fall at your feet,  
calling you the city of *ADONAI*,  
Tziyon of the Holy One of Isra’el.

<sup>15</sup>“In the past you were abandoned and hated,  
so that no one would even pass through you;  
but now I will make you the pride of the ages,  
a joy for many generations.

<sup>16</sup>You will drink the milk of nations,

you will nurse at royal breasts  
and know that I, *ADONAI*, am your Savior,  
your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Ya`akov.

<sup>17</sup>“For bronze I will bring you gold,  
for iron I will bring you silver,  
bronze in place of wood,  
and iron in place of stones.

**I will make *shalom* your governor  
and righteousness your taskmaster.**

**<sup>18</sup>Violence will no longer be heard in your land,  
desolation or destruction within your borders;  
instead, you will call your walls Salvation  
and your gates Praise.**

<sup>19</sup>“No more will the sun be your light by day,  
nor will moonlight shine on you;  
instead *ADONAI* will be your light forever  
and your God your glory.

<sup>20</sup>No longer will your sun go down;  
your moon will no longer wane;  
for *ADONAI* will be your light forever;  
your days of mourning will end.

<sup>21</sup>All your people will be *tzaddikim*;  
they will inherit the land forever;  
they will be the branch I planted,  
my handiwork, in which I take pride.

**<sup>22</sup>The smallest will grow to a thousand,  
the weakest will become a mighty nation.  
I, *ADONAI*, when the right time comes,  
will quickly bring it about.”**

### **Restore Agricultural Blessing**

**When Judges 6 begins the Children of Israel were steeped in idolatry. The Midianites oppressed the Children of Israel at harvesttime for seven years straight. Now the Midianites are positioned to raid the crops and livestock once again and destroy all**

**their increase. After the children cried for help, God sent a prophet to help them to understand why they were having a back to back crop failure as well as to send them correction on mending their ways.**

### **God selected Gideon as Priest**

Revelation 1:5-6 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>5</sup>And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

<sup>6</sup>And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

[https://www.bible-history.com/tabernacle/TAB4The\\_5\\_Levitical\\_Offerings.htm](https://www.bible-history.com/tabernacle/TAB4The_5_Levitical_Offerings.htm)

### **Judges 6:17-21 - Gideon Made a Meal offering before God**

#### **1) The Meal Offerings**

The Israelites offered meal (cereals) or vegetables in addition to the animals. Leviticus chapter 2 mentions 4 kinds of cereal offerings and gives cooking instructions for each. The sinner could offer dough from wheat flour baked in an oven, cooked on a griddle, fried in a pan, or roasted to make bread (as in the offering of the first fruits). All meal offerings were made with oil and salt and no honey and leaven were to be used (oil and salt preserved while honey and leaven would spoil). The worshipper was also to bring a portion of incense (frankincense).

**The meal offerings were brought to one of the priests, who took it to the altar and cast a "memorial portion" on the fire and he did this also with the incense. The priest ate the remainder unless he was bringing the meal offering for himself where he would burn the whole thing.**

The purpose of the meal offering was an offering of gifts and speaks of a life that is dedicated to generosity and giving.

**Judges 6:25-26 - Gideon prepared a burnt offering to cover children of Israel sin of idolatry after he destroyed and the adjacent grove. Serving another god was considered the ultimate betrayal because it dishonored their covenant with God. Broken loyalty.**

#### **2) The Burnt Offerings**

The burnt offering was a sacrifice that was completely burnt. None of it was to be eaten at all, and therefore the fire consumed the whole sacrifice. It is also important to note that the fire on the altar was never to go out:

***Lev 6:13 'A fire shall always be burning on the altar; it shall never go out.***

The common Israelite worshipper brought a male animal (a [bull](#), lamb, [goat](#), pigeon, or turtledove depending on the wealth of the worshipper) to [the door of the tabernacle](#).

**Lev 1:3 'Let him offer a male without blemish; he shall offer it of his own free will at the door of the tabernacle of meeting before the LORD.**

The animal had to be without blemish. The worshipper then placed his hands upon the head of the animal and in awareness that this innocent animal was standing in for the sinner he would seek the Lord for forgiveness and then killed the animal immediately.

**Lev 1:4-9 'Then he shall put his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it will be accepted on his behalf to make atonement for him. 'He shall kill the bull before the LORD; and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall bring the blood and sprinkle the blood all around on the altar that is by the door of the tabernacle of meeting . . . and the priest shall burn all on the altar as a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, a sweet aroma to the LORD.**

The priests were also responsible to wash various parts of the animal before putting it on the altar:

**Lev 1:6-9 'And he shall skin the burnt offering and cut it into its pieces. 'The sons of Aaron the priest shall put fire on the altar, and lay the wood in order on the fire. 'Then the priests, Aaron's sons, shall lay the parts, the head, and the fat in order on the wood that is on the fire upon the altar; 'but he shall wash its entrails and its legs with water.**

Later In Israel's history there were burnt offerings made twice per day, one at morning and one at evening (when the first star appeared:

**Num 28:3-4 "And you shall say to them, 'This is the offering made by fire which you shall offer to the LORD: two male lambs in their first year without blemish, day by day, as a regular burnt offering. 'The one lamb you shall offer in the morning, the other lamb you shall offer in the evening"**

The Burnt offering was performed to atone for the peoples sins against the Lord and was a dedication offering of ones life before the Lord continually.

Proverbs 25:21-22 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>21</sup>If your enemy is hungry, give him bread to eat; and if he is thirsty, give him water to drink;

<sup>22</sup>For in doing so, you will <sup>[a]</sup>heap coals of fire upon his head, and the Lord will reward you.

Footnotes:

- a. [Proverbs 25:22](#) This is not to be understood as a revengeful act intended to embarrass its victim, but just the opposite. The picture is that of the high priest (Lev. 16:12) who, on the Day of Atonement, took his censer and filled it with "coals of fire" from off the altar of burnt offering, and then put incense on the coals to create a pleasing, sweet-smelling fragrance. The cloud or smoke of the incense covered the mercy seat and was acceptable to God for atonement. Samuel Wesley wrote:/ "So artists melt the sullen ore of lead,/ By heaping coals of fire upon its head:/ In the kind warmth the metal learns to glow,/ And pure from dross the silver runs below."



### 3) The Peace Offerings

The peace offering was a meal that was shared with the Lord, the priests, and sometimes the common Israelites. The worshipper was to bring a male or female oxen, **sheep**, or a goat. The ritual was closely compared to the burnt offering up to the point of the actual burning where the animals blood was poured around the edges of the altar. The fat and entrails were burned and the remainder was eaten by the priests and (if it was a free-will offering) by the worshippers themselves. **This sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving was most of the time a voluntary act.**

The Peace offerings included unleavened cakes. The priests ate all except the memorial portion of the cakes and certain parts of the animal on the same day the sacrifice was made, and when the worshipper joined in and the offering was free-will the worshipper could eat for 2 days of the whole animal except the breast and the right thigh which were eaten by the priests.

Jacob and Laban offered a peace offering when they made their treaty (Gen 31:43 ff). **It was required to make offerings while making a vow of ones life to God and thanking Him with praise while free-will offerings were voluntary.**

### 4) The Sin Offerings

The sin offering expiated (paid the debt in full) the worshippers unintentional weaknesses and failures before the Lord.

***Lev 4:1-4 Now the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'If a person sins unintentionally against any of the commandments of the LORD in anything which ought not to be done, and does any of them, 'if the anointed priest sins, bringing guilt on the people, then let him offer to the LORD for his sin which he has sinned a young bull without blemish as a sin offering. 'He shall bring the bull to the door of the tabernacle of meeting before the LORD, lay his hand on the bull's head, and kill the bull before the LORD.***

Each class of people had various ordinances to perform:

***Sins of the high priest*** required the offering of a bull and the blood was not poured on the altar but sprinkled from the finger of the high priest 7 times on the altar. Then the fat was burnt, and the remainder was burned (never eaten) outside the camp "unto a clean place" where the sacrifice was made and the **ashes** were poured out.

***Lev 4:12 'the whole bull he shall carry outside the camp to a clean place, where the ashes are poured out, and burn it on wood with fire; where the ashes are poured out it shall be burned.***

***Sins of the leaders*** required the offering of a male goat. the blood was sprinkled only once and the remainder was poured around the altar as with the burnt offering.

***Sins of the common Israelites*** required female animals, goats, lambs, turtledoves, or pigeons and in the case of the very poor an offering of grain was acceptable just like a meal offering.

**Unintentional sins were difficult to identify and could happen at any time and therefore the priests worked closely as mediators with God and the people and were there to instruct the people as they sought the Lord.** In case any sins were not brought before the Lord there were offerings for the nation and for the high priest which covered them all in a collective way. On the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur) the high priest sprinkled blood on the mercy seat for his own sins and the sins of the nation.

### 5) The Trespass Offerings

The trespass offering was very similar to that of the sin offering but the main difference was that the trespass offering was an offering of money for sins of ignorance connected with fraud. For example if someone unintentionally cheated another out of money or property, his sacrifice was to be equal to the amount taken, plus one-fifth to the priest and to the one offended. Therefore he repaid twice the amount taken plus 40 %.

**Lev 6:5-7 "He shall restore its full value, add one-fifth more to it, and give it to whomever it belongs, on the day of his trespass offering. And he shall bring his trespass offering to the LORD, a ram without blemish from the flock, with your valuation, as a trespass offering, to the priest. So the priest shall make atonement for him before the LORD, and he shall be forgiven for any one of these things that he may have done in which he trespasses."**

## **Built an altar Jehovah Shalom**

Altars are mentioned often in the Bible. Ancient altars were raised structures that people placed sacrifices on. In the ancient world the altar was almost exclusively built as a monument to remember or commemorate a divine occurrence which took place at a certain location. In ancient Israel altars were very significant, they symbolized communion with the LORD. They were a place of worship and a place to remember His covenant. The "altar" was a place of "approach", a place to call upon the name of the LORD and remember His glorious promises.

## Jehovah shalom (Yahweh shalom) The Lord is Peace

**Jehovah shalom is one of three names for God that was actually given to an altar.** It happened when the angel of Yahweh (the LORD) visited Gideon to recruit him as a new judge over Israel to deliver the nation from the Midianites. Gideon thought that he would die because he had seen the angel. God spoke to Him and said, "Peace! Do not be afraid. You are not going to die" (Judg. 6:23 NIV). The incident made such an impression on Gideon that he built an altar in Ophrah and gave it the name *Jehovah shalom*. Altars made of uncut stones lasted for centuries in the relatively dry climate of Israel.

**Shalom is not just an absence of noise or strife. The word *shalom* speaks of wholeness and harmony with oneself and others, and of completion and fulfillment.** As Jesus said, it is a peace far beyond the world's peace (John 14:27; 16:33). The ultimate peace is peace with God. The Bible contains a promise about God's peace: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusts in thee" (Isa. 26:3 KJV). Peace comes to us when we focus our lives on God and trust Him. In order to feel peaceful about a God who is perfect and vastly superior to us we must change as Gideon did. Gideon's initial fear of God was laid aside when he heard God speak peace to Him instead of killing him.

## **Jesus bequeathed us His peace**

John 16:33 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>33</sup>I have told you these things, so that in Me you may have [perfect] peace *and* confidence. In the world you have tribulation *and* trials *and* distress *and* frustration; but be of good cheer [take courage; be confident, certain, undaunted]! For I have overcome the world. [I have deprived it of power to harm you and have conquered it for you.]

Exodus 20:1-7 King James Version (KJV)

**20** And God spake all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup>I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

<sup>3</sup>Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

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

<sup>6</sup>And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.

<sup>15</sup>But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee:

<sup>20</sup>The LORD shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

<sup>25</sup>The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: and shalt be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.

<sup>28</sup>The LORD shall smite thee with madness, and blindness, and astonishment of heart:

<sup>29</sup>And thou shalt grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth in darkness, and thou shalt not prosper in thy ways: and thou shalt be only oppressed and spoiled evermore, and no man shall save thee.

<sup>30</sup>Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: thou shalt build an house, and thou shalt not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt not gather the grapes thereof.

<sup>31</sup>Thine ox shall be slain before thine eyes, and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass shall be violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep shall be given unto thine enemies, and thou shalt have none to rescue them.

<sup>32</sup>Thy sons and thy daughters shall be given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and fail with longing for them all the day long; and there shall be no might in thine hand.

<sup>33</sup>The fruit of thy land, and all thy labours, shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed alway:

<sup>36</sup>The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee, unto a nation which neither thou nor thy fathers have known; and there shalt thou serve other gods, wood and stone.

<sup>38</sup>Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather but little in; for the locust shall consume it.

<sup>39</sup>Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dress them, but shalt neither drink of the wine, nor gather the grapes; for the worms shall eat them.

<sup>40</sup>Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint thyself with the oil; for thine olive shall cast his fruit.

<sup>42</sup>All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust consume.

<sup>45</sup>Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed; because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee:

<sup>46</sup>And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder, and upon thy seed for ever.

<sup>47</sup>Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all things;

<sup>48</sup>Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all things: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.

<sup>49</sup>The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand;

<sup>50</sup>A nation of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young:

<sup>51</sup>And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which also shall not leave thee either corn, wine, or oil, or the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee.

<sup>52</sup>And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

### **God selected Gideon as King**

Revelation 1:5-6 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>5</sup>And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

<sup>6</sup>And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

**Advancing "as one man" shows Gideon had a seamless connection with God as well as for Gideon to envision the enemy as one person, instead of 135,000 destroyers.**

Judges 6:12-16 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>12</sup>And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him, and said unto him,  
**The LORD is with thee, thou mighty man of valour.**

<sup>13</sup>And Gideon said unto him, Oh my Lord, if the LORD be with us, why then is all this befallen us? and where be all his miracles which our fathers told us

of, saying, Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt? but now the LORD hath forsaken us, and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites.

**<sup>14</sup>And the LORD looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee?**

<sup>15</sup>And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? behold, my family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house.

**<sup>16</sup>And the LORD said unto him, Surely I will be with thee, and thou shalt smite the Midianites as one man.**

### **Vision of God bringing being victorious over your enemies**

1 Samuel 2:8-10 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>8</sup>He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory: for the pillars of the earth are the LORD'S, and he hath set the world upon them.

<sup>9</sup>He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness; for by strength shall no man prevail.

<sup>10</sup>The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth; and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed.

### **Scriptures for Freedom from Pride; God is always faithful to tell you what to do as well as what not to do.**

Proverbs 15:33 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>33</sup>The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom; and before honour is humility.

Proverbs 18:12 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>12</sup>Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility.

Proverbs 22:4 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup>By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches, and honour, and life.

Exodus 20:20 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>20</sup>And Moses said to the people, Fear not; for God has come to prove you, so that the [reverential] fear of Him may be before you, that you may not sin.

**Celebrate God as the Conqueror, not man. Reducing the army utterly helped Gideon's army reduce the pride as well. 32,000 troops were reduced to 300. 22,000 went home because they were afraid and 9,700 went home because they weren't alert. Removed potential rebellion.**

Judges 7:1-8 King James Version (KJV)

**7** Then Jerubbaal, who is Gideon, and all the people that were with him, rose up early, and pitched beside the well of Harod: so that the host of the Midianites were on the north side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.

<sup>2</sup>And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people that are with thee are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hands, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, Mine own hand hath saved me.

<sup>3</sup>Now therefore go to, proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, Whosoever is fearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from mount Gilead. And there returned of the people twenty and two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.

<sup>4</sup>And the LORD said unto Gideon, The people are yet too many; bring them down unto the water, and I will try them for thee there: and it shall be, that of whom I say unto thee, This shall go with thee, the same shall go with thee; and of whomsoever I say unto thee, This shall not go with thee, the same shall not go.

<sup>5</sup>So he brought down the people unto the water: and the LORD said unto Gideon, Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue, as a dog lappeth, him shalt thou set by himself; likewise every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink.

<sup>6</sup>And the number of them that lapped, putting their hand to their mouth, were three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water.

<sup>7</sup>And the LORD said unto Gideon, By the three hundred men that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand: and let all the other people go every man unto his place.

<sup>8</sup>So the people took victuals in their hand, and their trumpets: and he sent all the rest of Israel every man unto his tent, and retained those three hundred men: and the host of Midian was beneath him in the valley.

### **Function as One with God**

Psalm 44:1-8 King James Version (KJV)

**44** We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what work thou didst in their days, in the times of old.

<sup>2</sup>How thou didst drive out the heathen with thy hand, and plantedst them; how thou didst afflict the people, and cast them out.

<sup>3</sup>For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them.

<sup>4</sup>Thou art my King, O God: command deliverances for Jacob.

<sup>5</sup>Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.

<sup>6</sup>For I will not trust in my bow, neither shall my sword save me.

<sup>7</sup>But thou hast saved us from our enemies, and hast put them to shame that hated us.

<sup>8</sup>In God we boast all the day long, and praise thy name for ever. Selah.

### **Function as a United Front with your Comrades**

1 Corinthians 12:25 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>25</sup>That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.



## 1 Corinthians 12:24-26 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>24</sup>Which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so adjusted (mingled, harmonized, and subtly proportioned the parts of) the whole body, giving the greater honor *and* richer endowment to the inferior parts which lack [apparent importance],

<sup>25</sup>So that there should be no division *or* discord *or* lack of adaptation [of the parts of the body to each other], but the members all alike should have a mutual interest in *and* care for one another.

<sup>26</sup>And if one member suffers, all the parts [share] the suffering; if one member is honored, all the members [share in] the enjoyment of it.

## Ephesians 4:15 The Passion Translation (TPT)

<sup>15</sup>But instead we will remain strong and always sincere in our love as we express the truth. *All our direction and ministries will flow* from Christ and lead us deeper into him, the anointed Head of his body, the church.

## Colossians 1:17-19 The Passion Translation (TPT)

<sup>17</sup>He existed before anything was made, and now everything finds completion in him.

<sup>18</sup>He is the Head of his body, which is the church. And since he is the beginning and the firstborn heir in resurrection,<sup>[a]</sup> he is the most exalted One, holding first place<sup>[b]</sup> in everything. <sup>19</sup>For God is satisfied to have all his fullness<sup>[c]</sup> dwelling in Christ.

## Colossians 2:19 The Passion Translation (TPT)

<sup>19</sup>They refuse to take hold of the true source.

*But we receive directly from him, and his life supplies<sup>[a]</sup> vitality into every part of his body through the joining ligaments connecting us all as one. He is the divine Head who guides his body and causes it to grow by the supernatural power of God.<sup>[b]</sup>*

### **Function on one accord with Holy Spirit to receive secrets**

Judges 7:9-14 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>9</sup>And it came to pass the same night, that the LORD said unto him, Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered it into thine hand.

<sup>10</sup>But if thou fear to go down, go thou with Phurah thy servant down to the host:

<sup>11</sup>And thou shalt hear what they say; and afterward shall thine hands be strengthened to go down unto the host. Then went he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of the armed men that were in the host.

<sup>12</sup>And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the east lay along in the valley like grasshoppers for multitude; and their camels were without number, as the sand by the sea side for multitude.

<sup>13</sup>And when Gideon was come, behold, there was a man that told a dream unto his fellow, and said, Behold, I dreamed a dream, and, lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the host of Midian, and came unto a tent, and smote it that it fell, and overturned it, that the tent lay along.

<sup>14</sup>And his fellow answered and said, This is nothing else save the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: for into his hand hath God delivered Midian, and all the host.

Ephesians 3:12 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>12</sup>In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

### **Intelligence from the enemy's camp**

Psalms 21:5-13 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>5</sup>His glory is great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him.

<sup>6</sup>For thou hast made him most blessed for ever: thou hast made him exceeding glad with thy countenance.

<sup>7</sup>For the king trusteth in the LORD, and through the mercy of the most High he shall not be moved.

<sup>8</sup>Thine hand shall find out all thine enemies: thy right hand shall find out those that hate thee.

<sup>9</sup>Thou shalt make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall swallow them up in his wrath, and the fire shall devour them.

<sup>10</sup>Their fruit shalt thou destroy from the earth, and their seed from among the children of men.

<sup>11</sup>For they intended evil against thee: they imagined a mischievous device, which they are not able to perform.

<sup>12</sup>Therefore shalt thou make them turn their back, when thou shalt make ready thine arrows upon thy strings against the face of them.

<sup>13</sup>Be thou exalted, LORD, in thine own strength: so will we sing and praise thy power.

Luke 12:2-3 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>2</sup>For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid, that shall not be known.

<sup>3</sup>Therefore whatsoever ye have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

Deuteronomy 7:20 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>20</sup>Moreover the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them, until they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, be destroyed

### **Anointed for Service: The Priest and the King**

Judges 6:34 Complete Jewish Bible (CJB)

<sup>34</sup>But the Spirit of *ADONAI* covered Gid'on. He sounded the call on the *shofar*, and Avi'ezer [Abi-ze-rite] rallied behind him.

### **Enveloped; empowered; full-filled; clothed; possessed**

Isaiah 11:1-10 King James Version (KJV)

**11** And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:

<sup>2</sup>And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of **wisdom** and **understanding**, the spirit of **counsel** and **might**, the spirit of **knowledge** and of the **fear of the LORD**;

<sup>3</sup>And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD: and he shall not judge after the sight of his eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of his ears:

<sup>4</sup>But with righteousness shall he judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and he shall smite the earth: with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.

<sup>5</sup>And **righteousness** shall be the girdle of his loins, and **faithfulness** the girdle of his reins.

<sup>6</sup>The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.

<sup>7</sup>And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup>And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the asp, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.

<sup>9</sup>They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>And in that day there shall be a root of Jesse, which shall stand for an ensign of the people; to it shall the Gentiles seek: and his rest shall be **glorious**.

Galatians 5:22-23 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>22</sup>But the fruit of the Spirit is **love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,**

<sup>23</sup>**Meekness, temperance:** against such there is no law.

1 Corinthians 12:1-12 King James Version (KJV)

**12** Now concerning **spiritual gifts**, brethren, I would not have you ignorant.

<sup>2</sup>Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led.

<sup>3</sup>Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

<sup>4</sup>Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.

<sup>5</sup>And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord.

<sup>6</sup>And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all.

<sup>7</sup>But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.

<sup>8</sup>For to one is given by the Spirit the **word of wisdom**; to another the **word of knowledge** by the same Spirit;

<sup>9</sup>To another [gift of] **faith** by the same Spirit; to another the **gifts of healing** by the same Spirit;

<sup>10</sup>To another the **working of miracles**; to another **prophecy**; to another **discerning of spirits**; to another **divers kinds of tongues**; to another the **interpretation of tongues**:

<sup>11</sup>But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

<sup>12</sup>For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

### **Impartation of the Wisdom of God**

Psalms 25:12-14 Living Bible (TLB)

<sup>12</sup>Where is the man who fears the Lord? God will teach him how to choose the best.

<sup>13</sup>He shall live within God's circle of blessing, and his children shall inherit the earth.

<sup>14</sup>Friendship with God is reserved for those who reverence him. With them alone he shares the secrets of his promises.

### **Jesus explains the Comfort of Holy Spirit's ministry to expect**

John 14:25-27 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>25</sup>These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you.

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

<sup>27</sup>Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 16:12-14 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>12</sup>I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

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

<sup>14</sup>He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

Ephesians 5:17-21 J.B. Phillips New Testament (PHILLIPS)

You know the truth—let your life show it!

<sup>15-21</sup>Live life, then, with a due sense of responsibility, not as men who do not know the meaning and purpose of life but as those who do. Make the best use of your time, despite all the difficulties of these days. Don't be vague but firmly grasp what you know to be the will of God. Don't get your stimulus from wine (for there is always the danger of excessive drinking), but **let the Spirit stimulate your souls. Express your joy in singing among yourselves psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, making music in your hearts for the ears of God! Thank God at all times for**

**everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. And “fit in with” each other, because of your common reverence for Christ.**

Leviticus 26:3-13 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>3</sup>If you walk in My statutes and keep My commandments and do them,

<sup>4</sup>I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase and the trees of the field yield their fruit.

<sup>5</sup>And your threshing [time] shall reach to the vintage and the vintage [time] shall reach to the sowing time, and you shall eat your bread to the full and dwell in your land securely.

<sup>6</sup>I will give peace in the land; you shall lie down and none shall fill you with dread *or* make you afraid; and I will clear ferocious (wild) beasts out of the land, and no sword shall go through your land.

<sup>7</sup>And you shall chase your enemies, and they shall fall before you by the sword.

<sup>8</sup>Five of you shall chase a hundred, and a hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight; your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

<sup>9</sup>For I will be leaning toward you with favor *and* regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing *and* ratifying My covenant with you.

<sup>10</sup>And you shall eat the [abundant] old store of produce long kept, and clear out the old [to make room] for the new.

<sup>11</sup>I will set My dwelling in *and* among you, and My soul shall not despise *or* reject *or* separate itself from you.

<sup>12</sup>And I will walk in *and* with *and* among you and will be your God, and you shall be My people.

<sup>13</sup>I am the Lord your God, Who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that you should no more be slaves; and I have broken the bars of your yoke and made you walk erect [as free men].

### **Restored from Failure**

**There are levels of trust in every relationship, including the one with God: With the fear of the Lord both His treasure and ours, we are keeping our gaze on the same thing He desires. The essence is you are learning to trust the Lord as well as He is learning to trust.**

Isaiah 33:5-6 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>5</sup>The Lord is exalted, for He dwells on high; He will fill Zion with justice and righteousness (moral and spiritual rectitude in every area and relation).

<sup>6</sup>And there shall be stability in your times, an abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge; the reverent fear *and* worship of the Lord is your treasure *and* His.

Proverbs 19:23 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>23</sup>The fear of the LORD tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil.

Psalms 121:7 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>7</sup>The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

Luke 11:4 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup>And forgive us our sins; for we also forgive every one that is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.

Proverbs 3 King James Version (KJV)

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

<sup>2</sup>For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they add to thee.

<sup>3</sup>Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:



<sup>4</sup>So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

<sup>5</sup>Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

<sup>6</sup>In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

<sup>7</sup>Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD, and depart from evil.

<sup>8</sup>It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

<sup>9</sup>Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

<sup>10</sup>So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

<sup>11</sup>My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD; neither be weary of his correction:

<sup>12</sup>For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

<sup>13</sup>Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, and the man that getteth understanding.

<sup>14</sup>For the merchandise of it is better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

<sup>15</sup>She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

<sup>16</sup>Length of days is in her right hand; and in her left hand riches and honour.

<sup>17</sup>Her ways are ways of pleasantness, and all her paths are peace.

<sup>18</sup>She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy is every one that retaineth her.

<sup>19</sup>The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

<sup>20</sup>By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

<sup>21</sup> My son, let not them depart from thine eyes: keep sound wisdom and discretion:

<sup>22</sup> So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.

<sup>23</sup> Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely, and thy foot shall not stumble.

<sup>24</sup> When thou liest down, thou shalt not be afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

<sup>25</sup> Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.

<sup>26</sup> For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken.

**Trust Level 1: Learn to trust by faith even if you have not experienced the Lord in that area. Just believe God is not a liar.**

John 20:31 The Voice (VOICE)

<sup>31</sup> These accounts are recorded so that you, too, might believe that Jesus is the Anointed, *the Liberating King*, the Son of God, because believing grants you the life He came to share.

**Trust Level 2: Your learning to trust has turned into confidence in God. You are certain that God will come through for you even if you have never experienced that Lord before.**

Philippians 4:13 Amplified Bible (AMP)

<sup>13</sup> I can do all things [which He has called me to do] through Him who strengthens *and* empowers me [to fulfill His purpose—I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency; I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him who infuses me with inner strength and confident peace.]

**Trust Level 3: Your confidence has turned into a royal, loyal partnership with God. Now you remain adaptable to accommodate God with His leading.**

Romans 8:28 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>28</sup>We are assured *and* know that [<sup>a</sup>God being a partner in their labor] all things work together *and* are [fitting into a plan] for good to *and* for those who love God and are called according to [His] design *and* purpose.  
1 John 4:17-21 J.B. Phillips New Testament (PHILLIPS)

### **Knowing Christ means more love and confidence, less and less fear**

<sup>14-16a</sup>We ourselves are eye-witnesses able and willing to testify to the fact that the Father did send the Son to save the world. Everyone who acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God lives in him, and he lives in God. So we have come to know and trust the love God has for us.

<sup>16b-18</sup> **God is love, and the man whose life is lived in love does, in fact, live in God, and God does, in fact, live in him. So our love for him grows more and more, filling us with complete confidence for the day when he shall judge all men—for we realise that our life in this world is actually his life lived in us. Love contains no fear—indeed fully-developed love expels every particle of fear, for fear always contains some of the torture of feeling guilty. This means that the man who lives in fear has not yet had his love perfected.**

<sup>19-21</sup>Yes, we love him because he first loved us. If a man says, “I love God” and hates his brother, he is a liar. For if he does not love the brother before his eyes how can he love the one beyond his sight? And in any case it is his explicit command that the one who loves God must love his brother too.

**Righteousness illustrates your capability to believe right about everyone and everything: God, self, friends, family, enemies, and satan.**

Romans 8:29-30 The Passion Translation (TPT)

<sup>29</sup>For he knew all about us before we were born and he destined us<sup>[a]</sup>from the beginning to share the likeness of his Son. This means the Son is the oldest among a vast family of brothers and sisters who will become just like him.

<sup>30</sup>Having determined our destiny ahead of time, he called us to himself and transferred his perfect righteousness to everyone he called. And those who possess his perfect righteousness he co-glorified with his Son!

## **Secured Victory**

**The priest ensures the internal properties are at peace with God, self, and others while the king ensures that the external properties are at peace with enemies, without any compromise.**

1 Kings 5:4 Living Bible (TLB)

<sup>4</sup>“But now,” Solomon said to Hiram, “the Lord my God has given Israel peace on every side; I have no foreign enemies or internal rebellions.

**Wisdom is better than weapons of warfare.**

Judges 8:1-9 King James Version (KJV)

**8 And the men of Ephraim said unto him, Why hast thou served us thus, that thou calledst us not, when thou wentest to fight with the Midianites? And they did chide with him sharply.**

<sup>2</sup>And he said unto them, What have I done now in comparison of you? Is not the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage of Abiezer?

<sup>3</sup>God hath delivered into your hands the princes of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb: and what was I able to do in comparison of you? Then their anger was abated toward him, when he had said that.

<sup>4</sup>And Gideon came to Jordan, and passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing them.

<sup>5</sup>And he said unto the men of Succoth, Give, I pray you, loaves of bread unto the people that follow me; for they be faint, and I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, kings of Midian.

**<sup>6</sup>And the princes of Succoth said, Are the hands of Zebah and Zalmunna now in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thine army?**

<sup>7</sup>And Gideon said, Therefore when the LORD hath delivered Zebah and Zalmunna into mine hand, then I will tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness and with briers.

**<sup>8</sup> And he went up thence to Penuel, and spake unto them likewise: and the men of Penuel answered him as the men of Succoth had answered him.**

<sup>9</sup> And he spake also unto the men of Penuel, saying, When I come again in peace, I will break down this tower.

John 14:29-31 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC) <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you [this] before it occurs, so that when it does take place you may believe *and* have faith in *and* rely on Me.

<sup>30</sup> I will not talk with you much more, for the prince (evil genius, ruler) of the world is coming. And he has no claim on Me. [He has nothing in common with Me; there is nothing in Me that belongs to him, and he has no power over Me.]

<sup>31</sup> But [<sup>[a]</sup>satan is coming and] I do as the Father has commanded Me, so that the world may know (be convinced) that I love the Father and that I do only what the Father has instructed Me to do. [I act in full agreement with His orders.] Rise, let us go away from here.

James 3:13-18 The Passion Translation (TPT)

Wisdom from Above

<sup>13</sup> If you consider yourself to be wise and one who understands the ways of God, advertise it with a beautiful, fruitful<sup>[a]</sup> life guided by wisdom's gentleness. Never brag or boast about what you've done and you'll prove that you're truly wise. <sup>14</sup> But if there is bitter jealousy or competition hiding in your heart, then don't deny it and try to compensate for it by boasting and being phony. <sup>15</sup> For that has nothing to do with God's heavenly wisdom but can best be described as the wisdom of this world, both selfish<sup>[b]</sup> and devilish.<sup>[c]</sup> <sup>16</sup> So wherever jealousy<sup>[d]</sup> and selfishness are uncovered, you will also find many troubles<sup>[e]</sup> and every kind of meanness.

<sup>17</sup>But the wisdom from above is always pure,<sup>[f]</sup> filled with peace, considerate and teachable.<sup>[g]</sup> It is filled with love<sup>[h]</sup> and never displays prejudice or hypocrisy<sup>[i]</sup> in any form <sup>18</sup>and it always bears the beautiful harvest of righteousness! Good seeds of wisdom's fruit will be planted with peaceful acts by those who cherish making peace.

2 Timothy 1:7 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>7</sup>For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Philippians 1:6 The Passion Translation (TPT)

<sup>6</sup>*I pray with great faith for you*, because I'm fully convinced that the One who began this glorious work<sup>[a]</sup> in you will faithfully continue the process of maturing you<sup>[b]</sup> and will put his finishing touches to it until the unveiling<sup>[c]</sup> of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Romans 8:29-39 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>29</sup>For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

<sup>30</sup>Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

<sup>31</sup>What shall we then say to these things? **If God be for us, who can be against us?**

<sup>32</sup>He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

<sup>33</sup>Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

<sup>34</sup>Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

<sup>35</sup>Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

<sup>36</sup>As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.

<sup>37</sup>Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.

<sup>38</sup>For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

<sup>39</sup>Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

2 Kings 6:15-17 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>15</sup>And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold, an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas, my master! how shall we do?

<sup>16</sup>And he answered, **Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them.**

<sup>17</sup>And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.

2 Corinthians 2:14 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>14</sup>Now thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

1 Corinthians 15:57 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 John 4:4 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>4</sup>Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Psalm 55:18 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>18</sup>He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me:  
for there were many with me.

Psalm 18:29-40 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>29</sup>For by thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over  
a wall.

<sup>30</sup>As for God, his way is perfect: the word of the LORD is tried: he is a buckler  
to all those that trust in him.

<sup>31</sup>For who is God save the LORD? or who is a rock save our God?

<sup>32</sup>It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh my way perfect.

<sup>33</sup>He maketh my feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places.

<sup>34</sup>He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine  
arms.

<sup>35</sup>Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation: and thy right hand  
hath holden me up, and thy gentleness hath made me great.

<sup>36</sup>Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that my feet did not slip.

<sup>37</sup>I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken them: neither did I turn  
again till they were consumed.

<sup>38</sup>I have wounded them that they were not able to rise: they are fallen under  
my feet.

<sup>39</sup>For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued  
under me those that rose up against me.

<sup>40</sup>Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies; that I might destroy  
them that hate me.

Psalm 149 King James Version (KJV)

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



<sup>2</sup>Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

<sup>3</sup>Let them praise his name in the dance: let them sing praises unto him with the timbrel and harp.

<sup>4</sup>For the LORD taketh pleasure in his people: he will beautify the meek with salvation.

<sup>5</sup>Let the saints be joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.

<sup>6</sup>Let the high praises of God be in their mouth, and a two-edged sword in their hand;

<sup>7</sup>To execute vengeance upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people;

<sup>8</sup>To bind their kings with chains, and their nobles with fetters of iron;

<sup>9</sup>To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD.

## 2 Corinthians 12:8-10 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

<sup>8</sup>Three times I called upon the Lord *and* besought [Him] about this *and* begged that it might depart from me;

<sup>9</sup>But He said to me, My grace (My favor and loving-kindness and mercy) is enough for you [sufficient against any danger and enables you to bear the trouble manfully]; for *My* strength *and* power are made perfect (fulfilled and completed) *and* <sup>[a]</sup>*show themselves most effective* in [your] weakness. Therefore, I will all the more gladly glory in my weaknesses *and* infirmities, that the strength *and* power of Christ (the Messiah) may rest (yes, may <sup>[b]</sup>pitch a tent over and dwell) upon me!

<sup>10</sup>So for the sake of Christ, I am well pleased *and* take pleasure in infirmities, insults, hardships, persecutions, perplexities *and* distresses; for when I am weak <sup>[c]</sup>[in human strength], then am I <sup>[d]</sup>[truly] strong (able, powerful <sup>[d]</sup>in divine strength).