The Tsunami Blessing, Inside and Out, Part 86 Scriptures

Jesus' ancestry remained undercover from the foundations of the world. Look at whom God used in His divine purpose and plan to usher Jesus Christ's birth into the world. Each one had her own fight, but God gave all of them the unfair advantage of hosting His presence and power to ensure victory. All were undetected to the enemy, therefore unexpected by the enemy. God chose them to allure satan into the battle to ambush him by Jesus Christ's death, burial, resurrection, and ascension.

Each one entered into the War Room. After the fight was finished, each one exited the battlefield with the banner of victory in her hand. This week's lesson will unveil three of the six women. Jesus Christ, the ultimate offspring of Eve, conquered satan forever that is now and perpetually. Tamar's covenant rights gave her the tenacity to fight for the fulfillment of the promise, Perez. Rahab's faith repositioned her and her household in God's safe house. Totally covered by His everlasting love, she conceived Boaz. That is the beginning of how God never withheld His best gift, Jesus Christ from you. Posture your heart to welcome the habitation of God. Stay in the place He endorsed, empowered, and endowed for you. Then you too will be equipped to take the spoils of war.

Remember, it does not matter how small or great your contribution seems to be, when Holy Spirit adds His super on your natural, you have the supernatural disposition that declares your calling and election undisputable. Arise as a member of the body of Christ. Take your place as the Bride of Christ, i.e., His War Bride.

Eve - God honored you as more than a conqueror

Genesis 3:14-24 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

¹⁴And the Lord God said to the serpent, Because you have done this, you are cursed above all [domestic] animals and above every [wild] living thing of the field; upon your belly you shall go, and you shall eat dust [and what it contains] all the days of your life.

¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her ©Offspring; He will bruise *and* tread your head underfoot, and you will lie in wait *and* bruise His heel.^(A)

¹⁶To the woman He said, I will greatly multiply your grief *and* your suffering in pregnancy *and* the pangs of childbearing; with spasms of distress you will bring forth children. Yet your desire *and* craving will be for your husband, and he will rule over you.

¹⁷And to Adam He said, Because you have listened *and* given heed to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you, saying, You shall not eat of it, the ground is under a curse because of you; in sorrow *and* toil shall you eat [of the fruits] of it all the days of your life.

¹⁸Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth for you, and you shall eat the plants of the field.

¹⁹In the sweat of your face shall you eat bread until you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; for dust you are and to dust you shall return.

²⁰The man called his wife's name Eve [life spring], because she was the mother of all the living.

²¹ For Adam also and for his wife the Lord God made long coats (tunics) of skins and clothed them.

²² And the Lord God said, Behold, the man has become like one of Us [the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit], to know [how to distinguish between] good and evil *and* blessing and calamity; and now, lest he put forth his hand and take also from the tree of life and eat, and live Inforever—

²³ Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the Garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken.

²⁴So [God] drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the Garden of Eden the cherubim and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep *and* guard the way to the tree of life.^(B)

Footnotes:

- a. <u>Genesis 3:15</u> Christ fulfills through his victory over Satan the wonderful promise here spoken. See also Isa. 9:6; Matt. 1:23; Luke 1:31; Rom. 16:20; Gal. 4:4; Rev. 12:17.
- b. <u>Genesis 3:22</u> This sentence is left unfinished, as if to hasten to avert the tragedy suggested of men living on forever in their now fallen state.
- c. <u>Genesis 3:24</u> Cherubim are ministering spirits manifesting God's invisible presence and symbolizing His action (E.F. Harrison et al., eds., *Baker's Dictionary of Theology*).

Psalm 68 The Passion Translation (TPT)

A Song of Triumph

For the Pure and Shining One David's poetic song of praise ¹God! Arise with awesome power, and every one of your enemies will scatter in fear! ²Chase them away—all these God-haters. Blow them away as a puff of smoke. Melt them away like wax in the fire. One good look at you and the wicked vanish. ³But let all your godly lovers be glad! Yes, let them all rejoice in your presence and be carried away with gladness.^[a] Let them laugh and be radiant with joy! ⁴Let them sing their celebration-songs for the coming of the cloud rider whose name is Yah![1] ⁵⁻⁶To the fatherless he is a father. To the widow he is a champion friend. To the lonely he makes them part of a family. To the prisoners^[c] he leads into prosperity until they sing for joy. This is our Holy God in his Holy Place! But for the rebels there is heartache and despair.^[d] ⁷O Lord, it was you who marched in front of your people, leading them through the wasteland. Pause in his presence *The earth shook beneath your feet; the heavens filled with clouds

before the presence of the God of Sinai.

The sacred mountain shook at the sight of the face of Israel's God. ⁹You, O God, sent the reviving rain upon your weary inheritance, showers of blessing to refresh it. ¹⁰So there your people settled. And in your kindness you provided the poor with abundance. ¹¹God Almighty declares the word of the gospel with power,^[e] and the warring women of Zion deliver its message:^[1] ¹²"The conquering legions have themselves been conquered.

Look at them flee!"

Now Zion's women are left to gather the spoils.

¹³When you sleep between sharpened stakes,^[9]

I see you sparkling like silver and glistening like gold,

covered by the beautiful wings of a dove![h]

¹⁴When the Almighty found a king for himself,

it became white as snow in his shade.

¹⁵⁻¹⁶O huge, magnificent mountain,

you are the mighty kingdom of God!

All the other peaks, though impressive and imposing,

look with envy on you, Mount Zion!

For Zion is the mountain where God has chosen to live forever.

¹⁷Look! The mighty chariots of God!

Ten thousands upon ten thousands,

more than anyone could ever number.

God is at the front,

leading them all from Mount Sinai into his sanctuary

with the radiance of holiness upon him.^[k]

¹⁸He ascends into the heavenly heights,

taking his many captured ones with him,

leading them in triumphal procession.

And gifts were given to men, even the once rebellious,

so that they may dwell with Yah.

¹⁹What a glorious God!^[1]

He gives us salvation over and over,^[m]

then daily he carries our burdens![1]

Pause in his presence

²⁰Our God is a mighty God who saves us over and over!

For the Lord, Yahweh, rescues us from the ways of death many times. ²¹But he will crush every enemy, shattering their strength. He will make heads roll for they refuse to repent of their stubborn, sinful ways. ²²I hear the Lord God saying to all the enemies of his people, "You'd better come out of your hiding places, all of you who are doing your best to stay far away from me.^[0] Don't you know there's no place to hide? ²³For my people will be the conquerors; they will soon have you under their feet. They will crush you until there is nothing left!"[P] ²⁴O God, my King, your triumphal processions keep moving onward in holiness; you're moving onward toward the Holy Place! ²⁵Leaders in front,^[4] then musicians, with young maidens in between, striking their tambourines. ²⁶ And they sing, "Let all God's princely people rejoice! Let all the congregations bring their blessing to God, saving, 'The Lord of the fountain! The Lord of the fountain of life! The Lord of the fountain of Israel!' " ²⁷Astonishingly, it's the favored youth leading the way: princes of praise in their royal robes, and exalted princes are among them, along with princes who have wrestled with God. ²⁸⁻²⁹ Display your strength, God, and we'll be strong! For your miracles have made us who we are. Lord, do it again, and parade from your temple your mighty power. By your command even kings will bring gifts to you. ³⁰God, rebuke the beast-life that hides within us!^[1] Rebuke those who claim to be "strong ones,"[1] who lurk within the congregation and abuse the people out of their love for money. God scatters the people who are spoiling for a fight. ³¹Africa will send her noble envoys to you, O God.

They will come running, stretching out their hands in love to you.

³²Let all the nations of the earth sing songs of praise to almighty God!

Go ahead, all you nations—sing your praise to the Lord!

Pause in his presence

³³Make music for the one who strides the ancient skies.

Listen to his thunderous voice of might split open the heavens.

³⁴Give it up for God, for he alone has all the strength and power!

Proclaim his majesty! For his glory shines down on Israel.

His mighty strength soars in the clouds of glory.

³⁵God, we are consumed with awe, trembling before you

as your glory streams from your Holy Place.

The God of power shares his mighty strength with Israel and with all his people.

God, we give our highest praise to you!

Footnotes:

- a. Psalm 68:3 As translated from the Septuagint. The Aramaic is "They rejoice in his sweetness."
- b. Psalm 68:4 More than an abbreviation, the name Yah is associated with the God of heaven, the God of highest glory and power.
- c. Psalm 68:5 The Septuagint says, "the bitter ones."
- d. Psalm 68:5 The Aramaic says, "The rebels will dwell among the tombs."
- e. Psalm 68:11 As translated from the Aramaic.
- f. Psalm 68:11 As translated from the Masoretic text.
- g. Psalm 68:13 The Aramaic word *shaphya* can be translated "sharpened stakes or thorns," an obvious prophecy of the cross and our union with Christ as he was crucified.
- h. Psalm 68:13 As translated from the Aramaic text, this verse contains prophetic hints of Calvary, where Jesus "slept" the sleep of death between the "sharpened stakes" of the cross. The word *you* is plural and points us to our co-crucifixion with Christ.
- i. Psalm 68:14 Every scholar consulted concludes that this verse is difficult, if not impossible, to interpret properly and translate accurately. The last words are literally "Snow fell in Zalmon." Zalmon (or Salmon) was a wooded area and means "shady."
- j. Psalm 68:15 The Septuagint reads "mountain of provision."
- k. Psalm 68:17 The Septuagint says, "The Lord sends his provisions from his Holy Place on Mount Sinai."
- I. Psalm 68:19 The Aramaic is Maryah, the Aramaic form of YHWH or Lord Jehovah.
- m. Psalm 68:19 Salvation is in the plural form in the text (salvations).
- n. Psalm 68:19 Or "daily loads us with benefits."
- o. Psalm 68:22 The Hebrew text makes reference to Bashan (a high mountain) and to the depths of the sea. In other words, there's no place to hide.
- p. Psalm 68:23 The Hebrew text is literally "Your enemies will be food for the dogs."
- q. Psalm 68:25 As translated from the Septuagint. The Hebrew is "singers in front."
- r. Psalm 68:27 The Hebrew includes the names of four sons of Jacob, representing four tribes. Benjamin, the youngest son, means "son of my right hand" or "the favored one." Judah

means "praise." Zebulon's name is the word for "exalted." Naphtali means "obtained by wrestling." Each name speaks of a princely group and is used here poetically not only for Israel but for all of God's "princely people" in this holy procession of worship.

- s. Psalm 68:28 The Great Bible translated by Miles Coverdale (1488–1569) translates this "Your God has sent forth strength for you."
- t. Psalm 68:30 Literal Hebrew: "Rebuke the beasts in the reeds."
- u. Psalm 68:30 This verse has puzzled scholars, and many conclude that the Hebrew text is nearly incomprehensible, with tremendous variations in the translation.

Tamar - God honored you with His everlasting covenant

Genesis 38 King James Version (KJV)

And it came to pass at that time, that Judah went down from his brethren, and turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah.

²And Judah saw there a daughter of a certain Canaanite, whose name was Shuah; and he took her, and went in unto her.

³And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name Er.

⁴And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name Onan.

⁵And she yet again conceived, and bare a son; and called his name Shelah: and he was at Chezib, when she bare him.

⁶And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, whose name was Tamar.

⁷And Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the LORD; and the LORD slew him.

⁸And Judah said unto Onan, Go in unto thy brother's wife, and marry her, and raise up seed to thy brother.

⁹And Onan knew that the seed should not be his; and it came to pass, when he went in unto his brother's wife, that he spilled it on the ground, lest that he should give seed to his brother.

¹⁰ And the thing which he did displeased the LORD: wherefore he slew him also.

¹¹Then said Judah to Tamar his daughter in law, Remain a widow at thy father's house, till Shelah my son be grown: for he said, Lest peradventure he die also, as his brethren did. And Tamar went and dwelt in her father's house. ¹²And in process of time the daughter of Shuah Judah's wife died; and Judah was comforted, and went up unto his sheepshearers to Timnath, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.

¹³And it was told Tamar, saying, Behold thy father in law goeth up to Timnath to shear his sheep.

¹⁴And she put her widow's garments off from her, and covered her with a vail, and wrapped herself, and sat in an open place, which is by the way to Timnath; for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

¹⁵When Judah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot; because she had covered her face.

¹⁶ And he turned unto her by the way, and said, Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee; (for he knew not that she was his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me?

¹⁷And he said, I will send thee a kid from the flock. And she said, Wilt thou give me a pledge, till thou send it?

¹⁸ And he said, What pledge shall I give thee? And she said, Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that is in thine hand. And he gave it her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him.

¹⁹And she arose, and went away, and laid by her vail from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood.

²⁰ And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite, to receive his pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not.

²¹Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where is the harlot, that was openly by the way side? And they said, There was no harlot in this place.

²²And he returned to Judah, and said, I cannot find her; and also the men of the place said, that there was no harlot in this place.

²³And Judah said, Let her take it to her, lest we be shamed: behold, I sent this kid, and thou hast not found her.

²⁴ And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying, Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot; and also, behold,

she is with child by whoredom. And Judah said, Bring her forth, and let her be burnt.

²⁵ When she was brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, whose these are, am I with child: and she said, Discern, I pray thee, whose are these, the signet, and bracelets, and staff.

²⁶ And Judah acknowledged them, and said, She hath been more righteous than I; because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he knew her again no more.

²⁷ And it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins were in her womb.

²⁸ And it came to pass, when she travailed, that the one put out his hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first.

²⁹And it came to pass, as he drew back his hand, that, behold, his brother came out: and she said, How hast thou broken forth? this breach be upon thee: therefore his name was called Pharez.

³⁰ And afterward came out his brother, that had the scarlet thread upon his hand: and his name was called Zarah.

Revelation 13:8 Amplified Bible (AMP)

⁸All the inhabitants of the earth will fall down *and* worship him, *everyone* whose name has not been written since the foundation of the world in the Book of Life of the Lamb who has been slain [as a willing sacrifice].

Genesis 3:21-23 Amplified Bible (AMP)

²¹ The LORD God made tunics of [animal] skins for Adam and his wife and clothed them.

²² And the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us (Father, Son, Holy Spirit), knowing [how to distinguish between] good and evil; and now, he might stretch out his hand, and take from the tree of life

as well, and eat [its fruit], and live [in this fallen, sinful condition] forever"— ²³therefore the LORD God sent Adam away from the Garden of Eden, to till *and* cultivate the ground from which he was taken.

2 Samuel 23:1-5 Amplified Bible (AMP)

David's Last Song

Now these are the last words of David.

David the son of Jesse declares, The man who was raised on high declares, The anointed of the God of Jacob, And the sweet psalmist of Israel, 2 "The Spirit of the LORD spoke by me, And His word was on my tongue. "The God of Israel, The Rock of Israel spoke to me, 'He who rules over men righteously, Who rules in the fear of God, 4 Is like the morning light when the sun rises, A morning without clouds, When the fresh grass springs out of the earth Through sunshine after rain.' 5 "Truly is not my house so [blessed] with God? For He has made an everlasting covenant with me, Ordered in all things, and secured. For will He not cause to grow and prosper All my salvation and my every wish? Will He not make it grow and prosper?

Psalm 132 King James Version (KJV)

Lord, remember David, and all his afflictions:

²How he sware unto the LORD, and vowed unto the mighty God of Jacob;

³Surely I will not come into the tabernacle of my house, nor go up into my bed;

⁴I will not give sleep to mine eyes, or slumber to mine eyelids,

⁵Until I find out a place for the LORD, an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.

⁶Lo, we heard of it at Ephratah: we found it in the fields of the wood.

⁷We will go into his tabernacles: we will worship at his footstool.

*Arise, O LORD, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thy strength.

[°]Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy.

¹⁰ For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine anointed.

¹¹The LORD hath sworn in truth unto David; he will not turn from it; Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.

¹² If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them, their children shall also sit upon thy throne for evermore.

¹³For the LORD hath chosen Zion; he hath desired it for his habitation.

¹⁴This is my rest for ever: here will I dwell; for I have desired it.

¹⁵I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.

¹⁶I will also clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall shout aloud for joy.

¹⁷There will I make the horn of David to bud: I have ordained a lamp for mine anointed.

¹⁸His enemies will I clothe with shame: but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

Psalm 111 King James Version (KJV)

Praise ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

²The works of the LORD are great, sought out of all them that have pleasure therein.

³His work is honourable and glorious: and his righteousness endureth forever.

⁴He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered: the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.

⁵He hath given meat unto them that fear him: he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

⁶He hath shewed his people the power of his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

⁷The works of his hands are verity and judgment; all his commandments are sure.

*They stand fast for ever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness.

⁹He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: holy and reverend is his name.

¹⁰The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.

Rahab - God honored you with His glorious covering

Joshua 2 King James Version (KJV)

2 And Joshua the son of Nun sent out of Shittim two men to spy secretly, saying, Go view the land, even Jericho. And they went, and came into an harlot's house, named Rahab, and lodged there.

²And it was told the king of Jericho, saying, Behold, there came men in hither to night of the children of Israel to search out the country.

³And the king of Jericho sent unto Rahab, saying, Bring forth the men that are come to thee, which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the country.

⁴And the woman took the two men, and hid them, and said thus, There came men unto me, but I wist not whence they were:

⁵And it came to pass about the time of shutting of the gate, when it was dark, that the men went out: whither the men went I wot not: pursue after them quickly; for ye shall overtake them.

⁶But she had brought them up to the roof of the house, and hid them with the stalks of flax, which she had laid in order upon the roof.

⁷And the men pursued after them the way to Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they which pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate.

⁸And before they were laid down, she came up unto them upon the roof;

⁹And she said unto the men, I know that the LORD hath given you the land, and that your terror is fallen upon us, and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.

¹⁰For we have heard how the LORD dried up the water of the Red sea for you, when ye came out of Egypt; and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites, that were on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.

¹¹And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.

¹²Now therefore, I pray you, swear unto me by the LORD, since I have shewed you kindness, that ye will also shew kindness unto my father's house, and give me a true token:

¹³And that ye will save alive my father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.

¹⁴And the men answered her, Our life for yours, if ye utter not this our business. And it shall be, when the LORD hath given us the land, that we will deal kindly and truly with thee.

¹⁵Then she let them down by a cord through the window: for her house was upon the town wall, and she dwelt upon the wall.

¹⁶And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way.

¹⁷And the men said unto her, We will be blameless of this thine oath which thou hast made us swear.

¹⁸Behold, when we come into the land, thou shalt bind this line of scarlet thread in the window which thou didst let us down by: and thou shalt bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's household, home unto thee.

¹⁹And it shall be, that whosoever shall go out of the doors of thy house into the street, his blood shall be upon his head, and we will be guiltless: and whosoever shall be with thee in the house, his blood shall be on our head, if any hand be upon him.

²⁰ And if thou utter this our business, then we will be quit of thine oath which thou hast made us to swear.

²¹And she said, According unto your words, so be it. And she sent them away, and they departed: and she bound the scarlet line in the window.

²²And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way, but found them not.

²³So the two men returned, and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun, and told him all things that befell them:

²⁴ And they said unto Joshua, Truly the LORD hath delivered into our hands all the land; for even all the inhabitants of the country do faint because of us.

Joshua 6 King James Version (KJV)

6 Now Jericho was straitly shut up because of the children of Israel: none went out, and none came in.

²And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, I have given into thine hand Jericho, and the king thereof, and the mighty men of valour.

³And ye shall compass the city, all ye men of war, and go round about the city once. Thus shalt thou do six days.

⁴And seven priests shall bear before the ark seven trumpets of rams' horns: and the seventh day ye shall compass the city seven times, and the priests shall blow with the trumpets.

⁵And it shall come to pass, that when they make a long blast with the ram's horn, and when ye hear the sound of the trumpet, all the people shall shout with a great shout; and the wall of the city shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up every man straight before him.

⁶And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them, Take up the ark of the covenant, and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

⁷And he said unto the people, Pass on, and compass the city, and let him that is armed pass on before the ark of the LORD.

⁸And it came to pass, when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that the seven priests bearing the seven trumpets of rams' horns passed on before the LORD, and blew with the trumpets: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD followed them.

⁹And the armed men went before the priests that blew with the trumpets, and the rereward came after the ark, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

¹⁰And Joshua had commanded the people, saying, Ye shall not shout, nor make any noise with your voice, neither shall any word proceed out of your mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout.

¹¹So the ark of the LORD compassed the city, going about it once: and they came into the camp, and lodged in the camp.

¹²And Joshua rose early in the morning, and the priests took up the ark of the LORD.

¹³And seven priests bearing seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets: and the armed men went before them; but the rereward came after the ark of the LORD, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

¹⁴And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp: so they did six days.

¹⁵ And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they rose early about the dawning of the day, and compassed the city after the same manner seven times: only on that day they compassed the city seven times.

¹⁶And it came to pass at the seventh time, when the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people, Shout; for the LORD hath given you the city.

¹⁷ And the city shall be accursed, even it, and all that are therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.

¹⁸ And ye, in any wise keep yourselves from the accursed thing, lest ye make yourselves accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.

¹⁹But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, are consecrated unto the LORD: they shall come into the treasury of the LORD.

²⁰So the people shouted when the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass, when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that the wall fell down flat, so that the people went up into the city, every man straight before him, and they took the city.

²¹And they utterly destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.

²²But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware unto her.

²³And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.

²⁴ And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein: only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.

²⁵ And Joshua saved Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's household, and all that she had; and she dwelleth in Israel even unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

²⁶ And Joshua adjured them at that time, saying, Cursed be the man before the LORD, that riseth up and buildeth this city Jericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his firstborn, and in his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it.

²⁷So the LORD was with Joshua; and his fame was noised throughout all the country.

Exodus 23:22 King James Version (KJV)

²²But if thou shalt indeed obey his voice, and do all that I speak; then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.

1 Kings 8:56-61 King James Version (KJV)

⁵⁶Blessed be the LORD, that hath given rest unto his people Israel, according to all that he promised: there hath not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.

⁵⁷The LORD our God be with us, as he was with our fathers: let him not leave us, nor forsake us:

⁵⁸That he may incline our hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, and his statutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers.

⁵⁹And let these my words, wherewith I have made supplication before the LORD, be nigh unto the LORD our God day and night, that he maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people Israel at all times, as the matter shall require:

⁶⁰ That all the people of the earth may know that the LORD is God, and that there is none else.

⁶¹Let your heart therefore be perfect with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and to keep his commandments, as at this day.

Ephesians 5:28-30 Amplified Bible (AMP)

²⁸ Even so husbands should *and* are morally obligated to love their own wives as [being in a sense] their own bodies. He who loves his own wife loves himself. ²⁹ For no one ever hated his own body, but [instead] he nourishes *and* protects and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, ³⁰ because we are members (parts) of His body.

Seal: G4972 to stamp for security or preservation; to keep secret; to attest

2 Corinthians 1:22 The Passion Translation (TPT)

²²*He knows we are his* since he has also stamped his seal of love^[a] over our hearts and has given us the Holy Spirit like an engagement ring is given to a bride—a down payment of the blessings to come!

Footnotes:

a. <u>2 Corinthians 1:22</u> The Greek word for seal is *sphragizō*. God has sealed believers with a seven-fold seal: (1) a seal of security, sealed tightly and kept secure in God's love (Deut. <u>32:34</u>; Job <u>14:17</u>; <u>Matt. 27:66</u>), (2) a seal of authentication that marks us as God's very own (1 Kings <u>21:8</u>; Est. <u>8:10</u>; John <u>6:27</u>), (3) a seal to certify genuineness (Est. <u>8:8</u>, <u>10</u>; John <u>3:33</u>), (4) a seal of ownership (Neh. <u>10:1</u>; Jer. <u>32:44</u>; <u>2 Cor. 1:22</u>), (5) a seal of approval (<u>Eph. 1:13-14</u>), (6) a seal of righteousness (<u>Rom. 4:11</u>), and (7) a seal denoting a promise to be fulfilled (<u>2 Cor. 5:5</u>; <u>Eph. 1:13-14</u>; <u>4:30</u>). The mark given by the beast is upon the forehead and hand, but the "seal" of Christ is over our hearts. Jesus, our Bridegroom, invites us to place him over our hearts like a fiery seal of love, the jealous flame of God that burns continually in our hearts (<u>Song. 8:6</u>). We are born of the Spirit, sealed with the Spirit, indwelt by the Spirit, baptized in the Spirit, filled with the Spirit, made one (unity) in the Spirit, given gifts of the Spirit, and given ministries by the Spirit. He is a promise, a seal, and a guarantee of receiving our full inheritance. The Greek word for "down payment" is *arrabōn* and is used in Greek culture for "engagement ring." Notice in <u>vv. 21–22</u> that the Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) is involved in bringing all this to pass.

Hebrews 13:5 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

⁵Let your ^[a]character *or* moral disposition be free from love of money [including greed, avarice, lust, and craving for earthly possessions] and be satisfied with your present [circumstances and with what you have]; for He [God] ^[b]Himself has said, I will not in any way fail you *nor* ^[c]give you up *nor* leave you without support. [I will] not, ^[d][I will] not, [I will] not in any degree leave you helpless *nor* forsake *nor* ^[e]let [you] down (^[f]relax My hold on you)! [^[b]Assuredly not!]^(A)

2 Corinthians 10:3-6 King James Version (KJV)

³For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:

⁴(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

⁵Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

⁶And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

Ephesians 6:10-18 King James Version (KJV)

¹⁰ Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

¹¹Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

¹²For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

¹³Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

¹⁴Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness;

¹⁵And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

¹⁶Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

¹⁷ And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

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

1 Corinthians 2:11-16 King James Version (KJV)

¹¹For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.

¹²Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God.

¹³Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

¹⁴But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

¹⁵But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.

¹⁶For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ.

1 Peter 4:1-2 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition (AMPC)

So, since Christ suffered in the flesh *infor us, for you*, arm yourselves with the same thought *and inpurpose* [patiently to suffer rather than fail to please God]. For whoever has suffered in the flesh [having *information*] is done with [intentional] sin [has stopped pleasing himself and the world, and pleases God],

²So that he can no longer spend the rest of his natural life living by [his] human appetites *and* desires, but [he lives] for what God wills.

Romans 15:5-7 King James Version (KJV)

⁵Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

⁶That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

⁷Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.

Philippians 4:7 King James Version (KJV)

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

Wycliffe – garrison around your [military troop]

Philippians 4:5-9 The Message (MSG)

⁴⁻⁵Celebrate God all day, every day. I mean, *revel* in him! Make it as clear as you can to all you meet that you're on their side, working with them and not against them. Help them see that the Master is about to arrive. He could show up any minute!

⁶⁻⁷ Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life.

⁸⁻⁹Summing it all up, friends, I'd say you'll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse. Put into practice what you learned from me, what you heard and saw and realized. Do that, and God, who makes everything work together, will work you into his most excellent harmonies.