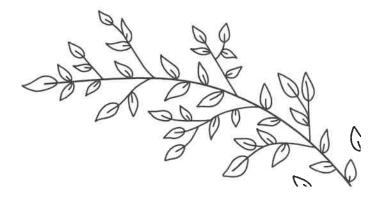


"The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds."

2 Corinthians 10:4 (NIV)



Two Kingdoms A Spiritual Warfare Bible Study Women's Bible Study – August/September 2023

Collaborated Sources:
Spiritual Warfare, Derek Prince
Breaking Down Strongholds, Derek Prince
The Discerning of Spirits, Frank Hammond
Battlefield of the Mind, Joyce Meyers

Sessions 1: You Are in the Fight

Session 2: Spiritual Weapons for Spiritual Fights

Session 3: Taking the Offensive

Session 4: Staying Alert

A personal note from Sarah Stephens:

These notes represent a working lecture outline I prepared to help me present a huge field of study in a four-week format. Forgive the formatting and punctuation. I hope the scriptures and points that follow challenge you to dig into the Word in the quiet of your home. These notes are primarily pulled from the sources cited above and I've made every effort to credit the authors.

Jesus' words in Matthew 10:7-8 have been on my heart as I pray for each of you, "As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give."

Friend, you are the woman of God the Holy Spirit wants to move through in this day and hour to advance His kingdom and set people free. Everything imparted to you through the power of God's word through this study I hope you will pass along to another woman in need of hope and encouragement. I am giving freely all I know and have, and believe you will as well, and together we will see the Lord bring the increase.

I am so excited to walk through study this with you!

Session 1: You are in the fight.

Summary: "Jesus' earthly ministry demonstrated the basic fact that there are two invisible spiritual kingdoms that are at war with each other. One is the kingdom of God, the other is the kingdom of Satan. If you are a citizen of the kingdom of God, through faith in Christ, you are automatically at war with the kingdom of Satan." (Pulling Down Strongholds, p. 7, Derek Prince)

Scripture Study:

1. Jesus explained there were 2 kingdoms, the kingdom of Satan and the kingdom of God.

- Read Matthew 12:24-28, "But when the Pharisees heard this, they said, "It is only by Beelzebul, the prince of demons, that this fellow drives out demons." Jesus knew their thoughts and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be ruined, and every city or household divided against itself will not stand. If Satan drives out Satan, he is divided against himself. How then can his kingdom stand? And if I drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your people drive them out? So then, they will be your judges. But if it is by the Spirit of God that I drive out demons, then the kingdom of God has come upon you."
- Read Colossians 1:12-14, "...and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you
 to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. For he has rescued
 us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves,
 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins."

Observation: In times where the world has many shades of gray, as disciples of Jesus, it is very important to remember, there are two kingdoms, and two kingdoms only, light and darkness. Remembering this really helps clarify my decision-making processes.

2. Jesus equipped His disciples to battle Satan's kingdom.

Jesus was intentional and strategic in how he prepared his disciples to go out in ministry on the earth. He sent 100% of the 12 disciples, 100% of the 72 disciples and 100% of the entire church with authority in spiritual warfare and confronting the darkness and demonic.

• Read Matthew 10 – Jesus Commissions 12 Disciples.

- verse 7: "As you go, proclaim this message: 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received; freely give. "
- In Luke 10 Jesus commissions 72 disciples. They return to Jesus, rejoicing that "even the demons were subject to us in your name." (v.17)
- Mark 16:17-18 Jesus gives the Great Commission to the church.
 - o "And these signs will accompany those who believe: In my name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up snakes with their hands; and when they drink deadly poison, it will not hurt them at all; they will place their hands on sick people, and they will get well."

Observation: Every time you share the truth of God's word and the hope of the gospel, you will be confronting the kingdom of Satan. Charles Spurgeon wrote, "How precious is a soul that both God and Satan contend for it."

Jesus prepared his disciples to go out into the world and threaten and defeat the kingdom of Satan. Jesus told the 72 disciples when they returned, he saw Satan fall like lightening (Luke 10:18) when they shared the testimony of all God had done through them. That's powerful. Sickness is not from God, oppression is not from God, scarcity is not from God, not being fruitful is not from God, fear is not from God – and when you confront those things in the world around you, and you exercise the authority you have from Jesus, then Satan's kingdom falls one miracle, one testimony, one soul at a time.

3. You are fighting from a place of victory, not for a victory.

- We will study this more in week 2, but read:
 - Colossians 2:15, "And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross."
 - O 2 Corinthians 2:14, "Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place. For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. To the one we are the aroma of death leading to death, and to the other the aroma of life leading to life."

Observation: According to the World History Encyclopedia, a Roman Triumph was a spectacular celebration parade for a military commander who had won an important victory on the battlefield. The triumph wasn't the battle itself, but a celebration of a battle won. Paul is reminding us that Christ always leads you in TRIUMPH, you are fighting from a place of victory and powers and authorities from the kingdom of Satan

know that at the cross they were defeated, and your position and authority secured. The enemy is counting you not operating fully from your rightful position and authority in Jesus.

4. Satan's three-part strategy: guilt, distraction, and fear.

- The purpose of guilt is to bring you shame, so you will forget your place in Christ.
 - o In Revelations 2:10, Satan accuses the saint's day and night before the throne of God.
 - o Keep your accounts short with God, confess your sin, ask for forgiveness, and know God's mercies are new every morning and will never fail. Remember, when you confess your sin, God has promised to forgive you and cleanse you of that sin (1 John 1:9).
- The purpose of distraction is to keep you from focusing on the true battle at hand, and to prevent you from going to God in prayer and declaring the promises of God's Word (Bible) over your life.
- The purpose of fear is to keep your decisions based on emotional counsel over scriptural truth.
 - Read Luke 10:19, "Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you."
 - o 2 Timothy 1:7, "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."

Observation: There were two leaders, with two radically different philosophical approaches, who fought to lead the United Kingdom at the dawn of World War 2 and confront the Nazi war machine.

Prime Minister Chamberlin had a position of, "peace at any cost". Prime Minister Churchill argued, "You do not negotiate with a lion when your head is in its mouth." Churchill led the island kingdom to victory over the Nazi's because fear will never lead you to victory, only more bondage.

5. Why we fight.

• Read Daniel chapters 10, 11, 12

- This is a powerful glimpse of what happens when we pray. The moment you
 petition heaven, angels are dispatched, and things start shifting in the
 supernatural world.
- o "God has given to us and to us alone the armaments by which we can intervene on behalf of those who are being attacked by Satan and his kingdom." (Pulling Down Strongholds, p. 33, Derek Prince)
- o Some of the most significant action you can take is to be an intercessor. See Ephesians 6:12, 2 Cor 10:4.

6. Let's apply the truth we've learned.

- I want to practically demonstrate, how we train ourselves to fight (pray) from a place of victory.
 - o Begin your prayers with praise, reminding yourself and the enemy who God is and who you are in Jesus.
 - Sustain your prayers with scripture, as people, situations come to your mind as the Holy Spirit to bring to your remembrance a scripture you can speak over that circumstance.
 - Follow the leading of the Holy Spirit while you pray. If a distracting thought comes to mind (I need to pick up a gallon of milk), write it down on a notepad and return to prayer.
 - o End your prayers with thanksgiving.

Note: If you don't feel peace or unburdened after you've prayed, you haven't prayed, but griped at God and you need to repeat the process above.

- I want to practically demonstrate how I identify guilt over conviction, so we can prevent giving the enemy a foothold.
 - O Guilt is condemnation. It says, "you are bad, not you did something bad". Conviction from the Lord is direct, swift, and does not typically point to the past, but instead says, stop this action now and repent.

o "There is therefore no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, for the law of Spirit has set me free from the law of sin and death." (Romans 8:1)

At Home:

- This week, memorize Colossians 2:15, "And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross." Remember, you are always fighting from a place of victory.
- Identify an area of your life that you feel is a struggle (could it be a lingering sickness, a financial challenge, strife in a relationship) and ask the Holy Spirit to show you how to pray specifically against any supernatural root of that struggle. Journal your experience.
- Read Chapters 1-3 in, Spiritual Warfare, Derek Prince.

Session 1 Table Discussion Questions

- 1. Why do you think Jesus was intentional in preparing his disciples to confront Satan's kingdom?
- 2. Can you share an experience where you believe you were in a spiritual battle? How did you fight effectively? Is there anything you would do differently?
- 3. Do you see yourself as a threat to the kingdom of darkness? Where are you feeling compelled to pray in this season of your life?

Session 1 Notes:

Session 2: Spiritual Weapons for a Spiritual Fight

Summary: In session 1, we established that every believer is engaged in spiritual warfare. This week we will closely examine the spiritual armor and gifts we have been issued to help defeat our opponent daily. It's important to remember that physical tactics will not defeat a spiritual opponent. We are completely dependent upon and confident in the authority of God's word and the Holy Spirit. Remember, you are dressed to kill.

1. We Have Spiritual Weapons for a Spiritual Fight

- Read 2 Corinthians 10: 3-6, "3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according
 to the flesh. 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for
 pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts
 itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the
 obedience of Christ, 6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is
 fulfilled."
- Read Ephesians 6:10-13, "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of
 His might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the
 wiles of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against
 principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against
 spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore take up the whole
 armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to
 stand.

Observation: We are in a spiritual fight, with spiritual opponents, and are required to put on and use spiritual weapons. Our opponents are highly organized, and we must be skillful in our approach. Whenever you see a "therefore" in the Bible, as yourself, "What is that, 'there for'?" We are told to prepare ourselves because an evil day is coming. Stay suited up on a daily basis and you will be able to take care of any situation the day presents.

2. Where is this fight waged?

- Read 2 Corinthians 10:5 "...casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ..."
- Read 2 Corinthians 4:4, "... whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God,

should shine on them."

Observation: The war waged with Satan is always in the mind. I've never met a single person who was oppressed by the devil with physical shackles on, but I've seen hundreds of people with a mind so deceived they could not walk in freedom. Proverbs 23:7 reminds us, "as a man thinketh so is he."

3. What are our Defensive and Offensive Weapons?

• Note: We will cover offensive weapons in session 3. (Prayer, Praise, Preaching, Testimony) This section follows Prince's outline in his book, <u>Spiritual Warfare</u>.

Defensive Weapons: (Ephesians 6:10-18)

A. Belt of Truth

- Practically this is truth in daily living, honesty, sincerity, openness and frankness.
- "Religious "talk" and hypocrisy prevent us from being active effective Christians. Religious talk keeps our garments "loose", so we are encumbered and prevents the effective use of other weapons." (pg. 52, Spiritual Warfare, Prince)

B. Breastplate of Righteousness

- Faith in Jesus' finished work in the cross, issues you a breastplate. This faith protects our hearts. Proverbs 4:23 reminds us, "Watch over your heart with all diligence for from it flow the springs of life."
- Righteousness simply defined is, "right standing before God." There are two approaches to righteousness: your own works, and in faith receiving the righteousness of Jesus.
- We must be convinced out of Scripture and accept by faith that we have become the righteousness of God. That is the only kind of breastplate that can adequately protect our heart and life.
 - Read I Thessalonians 5:8
 - Read Philippians 3:9

C. Feet shod with peace

• There's a saying that sometimes you need to sleep with your boots on. Christians with feet properly shod are always ready to walk into whatever situation they are called to.

- "Readiness that comes from the gospel of peace." Ephesians 6:15
- You cannot cram for every conversation, and you cannot transmit what you do not have.
 - o Matthew 10:12-13, "...if the home is deserving let your peace rest on it..."

D. Shield of faith

- A Roman legionnaire could use a shield to protect every part of his body from being impacted by an enemy missile. You must have a shield big enough to protect everything for which God has made you responsible, including yourself, your family, and the things God has committed to you.
- You may ask, where can I get a bigger shield? "Faith comes by hearing....and hearing by the Word of God." Romans 10:17
- Roman soldiers also stood in ranks, side by side in a formation called a phalanx.
 This allowed them to lock their shields together. When you link arms with other believers, it grows your faith and affords you more protection.

E. Helmet of salvation

- We discussed earlier that the battle is in the mind. The helmet of salvation protects your mind.
- If faith issues you a breastplate (as we discussed previously) hope issues you a helmet. The protection of the mind is hope. Hebrews 11:1, "Faith is the substance of things HOPED for." Valid faith equates to valid hope.
- "Hope is a quiet steady expectation of good based on the promises of God's word. In a sense, it is continuing optimism. That is the protection of the mind. Hope chooses to see the best and will not give way to depression, doubt and self-pity." (p. 73, Spiritual Warfare, Prince)

F. Sword of the spirit

• The Sword of the Spirit is the Word of God. You weld it with your mouth not your hand. This is the first weapon that's not purely defensive. It's the only weapon we have that can drive the devil out.

- o Read Revelation 1:16 and observe the sword coming out of the MOUTH of Jesus.
- o Read Matthew 4:1-10 and observe Jesus defeated the devil through quoted scripture. Neither Satan nor Jesus questioned the authority of Scripture! The basis of every temptation presented to Jesus was to doubt (same with Eve in the Garden of Eden). Satan started each statement with "if", that's doubt. There was no variation in the approach of Jesus he always replied, "it is written, it is written."
- Sword of the Spirit the Holy Spirit is bringing to your remembrance the scriptures you need to drive back and defeat the enemy. When we take in the scripture by memorization and faith, then the Holy Spirit gives us the wisdom and power to use it.

4. Let's apply the truth we've learned.

- Practically, how do we "get dressed" every morning?
 - o Each morning, when your eyes open start your day by talking to Jesus first. Don't reach for your phone, reach for your helmet and your breastplate.
 - o Get into the Word of God, one scripture at least, meditate on it.
 - o Pray, with specificity for your day.
 - Ask the Holy Spirit to keep you alert to the schemes of the devil.

At home:

- This week, memorize Ephesians 6:10-13. "10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. 11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. 13 Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand."
- The scripture tells us the armor has been issued to us, but we are commanded to "put it on." Over the next seven days, take one piece of armor and journal how you depended on that piece in a specific situation you encountered that same day.
- Read Chapters 4- 13 in Spiritual Warfare, Derek Prince

Session 2 Table Discussion Questions

- 1. We read Ephesians 6:12 today and underscored that we are not wrestling with flesh and blood but against spiritual forces. Can you share a personal story where the truth of this verse was illustrated?
- 2. Is there a particular piece of the armor God that you find yourself leaning on more in your current season of life?
- 3. Is there a piece of equipment we talked about today that you feel you are lacking? How can we pray for you to receive that by faith today?

Session 2 Notes:

Session 3: Taking the Offensive

Summary: Over the last two sessions we've established the nature and weapons of our fight, this week we will shift into taking the offensive position regarding spiritual warfare. Let's discuss how we leverage our armor and position as believers in Jesus to effectively push back the enemy's advances.

Let me also recommend an additional resource to you, *Pulling Down Strongholds*, from Derek Prince for teaching and equipping.

We are going to cover 4 offensive weapons in every believer's arsenal, the blood of Jesus, prayer, praise, and testimony.

1. What does the blood of Jesus do in the life of a believer?

- There are 5 great provisions of the blood of Jesus revealed by the Word of God:
 - i. We are redeemed
 - 1. Ephesians 1:7
 - ii. We are forgiven
 - 1. Ephesians 1:7
 - iii. We are cleansed
 - 1. I John 1:7
 - iv. We are justified (made righteous)
 - 1. Romans 5:9
 - v. We are sanctified (made holy)
 - 1. Hebrews 13:12
- We overcome Satan when we testify personally what the Word of God says the blood of Jesus does for us. (Revelations 12:11)
- Jesus did not win himself a victory at the cross of calvary (he was sinless, he didn't need a victory). He won us a victory at the cross of calvary and his BLOOD made us redeemed, forgiven, cleansed, justified, sanctified.
- In practical terms, this is what it means to "plead the blood of Jesus." You "plead the blood" with your speech, your actions, your decisions, and whether those are submitted to the truth of God's word. In being delivered from Egypt the Israelites had to put the blood of a physical lamb on their door post for the angel of death to pass over their homes. today, you put the blood of Jesus on your person through an active submitted lifestyle to Christ.

2. Prayer

- Read Ephesians 6:18, "And pray in the Spirit and on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests."
- Don't be dressed up in the armor of God and then no place to go, because you are not praying.
- There is no limitation of time or distance in prayer.
 - i. As a personal testimony, very recently one morning at about 8 am I was sitting at my bathroom vanity putting on makeup, and felt impressed to pray for Avery. I thanked God for angels protecting my children. Later in the day she sent me a text saying she was almost hit by a car. Prayer knows no bounds. When prompted, pray. Don't think about praying, pray.
 - Read Acts 12:1-17. The key to this entire miracle is in verse 5, "the church was earnestly praying." If Satan has convinced you not to pray, he's diminished your role enough in God's Kingdom for today.
 - The promises of God's Word are not a substitute for our prayer, they provoke our prayer. It takes our prayers to make the promises of God's word effective in our spirit.

3. Praise

- Read Psalm 8:2, "Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger."
- Read Matthew 21:15-16, where Jesus quotes from Psalm 8.
- The strength of God's people is praise. God has given you the weapon to silence Satan, in praise. Remind your spirit of how great God is and remind the devil too.
- The mouth is our primary channel for releasing our spiritual weapons of attack. If we do not learn to use our mouths, we cannot win the war.

4. Preaching

- Exclusively applies to preaching God's word, not human philosophy, political ideologies, or event elaborate theology.
- Read 2 Timothy 4:1-4, "correct, rebuke, and ENCOURAGE with great patience and careful instruction." This is a solemn charge, every word will be weighed, and a preacher will answer to the Lord for every message he preaches.
- When God's word is preached, it is attested by:
 - Miracles (Acts 19:11-12)
 - Evil Spirits exposed to light and driven out (Acts 19:13-16)
 - Occult domination over an area, broken (Acts 19:17-19)
 - Acts 20:27, "I have not hesitated to proclaim to you the whole will of God."

5. Testimony

- Testimony is speaking from personal experience about incidents that relate to the Word of God and confirm the truth of God's word.
 - Let me share a personal example from my childhood, related to praying and fasting for our pet dog, Colombus.
- Read Acts 1:8, and observe that to be an effective witness you need supernatural power. Notice, Jesus did not say, you will witness, He said, "You will BE witnesses." Your life is to be a witness to God's power and not just your words.
- Revelation 12:7-11, "They overcame him (Satan) by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony."

6. Let's apply the truth we've learned.

- Practically speaking, what does effective praise look and sound like?
 - o It looks and sounds a lot like the book of Psalms! When you are able read these chapters and reflect on the warrior and king David leading the people of God into battle physically and spiritually through the worship songs he penned.
 - When I pray, I often break away from my prayer time and sing a hymn, worship song, or have a song in the background playing quietly. I very often alternate from praising to prayer.

At Home:

- This week, memorize 2 Corinthians 10:3-6, "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh (for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but mighty before God to the casting down of strongholds), casting down imaginations, and every high thing that is exalted against the knowledge of God, and bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ; and being in readiness to avenge all disobedience, when your obedience shall be made full."
- Ask the Holy Spirit to bring to your remembrance a personal testimony you have, ask the Lord to give you an opportunity to share that testimony this week.
- Read chapters 14-18, Spiritual Warfare, Derek Prince.

Session 3 Table Discussion Questions:

- 1. How did tonight's discussion of the power of the blood of Jesus impact you personally?
- 2. Which offensive weapon that we discussed are you most comfortable with using? (Prayer, Praise, Preaching, Testimony)? Can you share how you've used this weapon recently?
- 3. Which offensive weapon that we discussed are you least comfortable using? How can we pray for you to be strengthened in that weapon?

Session 3 Notes:

Session 4: Staying Alert

Summary: George Washington, America's first president and founding father is credited with the adage, "Sometimes the best defense is a good offense." Let's conclude our study with practical ways we can stay alert and watchful against the enemy's schemes.

- 1. It is God's will for you to always win when it comes to spiritual warfare.
- James 4:7 "Be subject therefore unto God; but resist the **devil, and he will flee** from you." (NIV)
- "....he WILL flee" -- every time. You must be submitted to God, every time.
- What you will not confront will not change. You must resist the devil, in order for him to flee from you.

2. What are some practical ways we resist the devil?

- Set your focus on Jesus.
 - Hebrews 12:1-2 "1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off every encumbrance and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with endurance the race set out for us. 2 Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith."
 - O When learning to drive a car or ride a bike you will steer where you stare. Fixing your stare on Jesus will keep your life steered properly.
 - O Jesus said in Luke 10:27, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'" "Observe that every part of you as a person is focused and surrendered.
- Be "sober-minded."
 - o 1 Peter 5:8 "Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour.

- We are encouraged to enjoy everything but be drunk on nothing. Enjoy sports, enjoy music, enjoy nature, enjoy food – but do not allow yourself to be drunk on it to the point you've lost your alertness and awareness.
- 3. What questions do you still have about spiritual warfare? (I will open discussion from the floor for the speaker to answer these questions.)

At Home:

- This week memorize James 4:7, "Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."
- Each morning, as your head is on the pillow, ask the Holy Spirit to make you watchful over the enemy's schemes and to help you fix your eyes on Jesus.
- In the evenings, journal something you encountered where you were able to "resist the devil" and he fled from you, (perhaps you caught a song on the radio and turned it off because it was hurting your spirit, you turned off a TV program that was questionable, maybe you chose not to engage in a fruitless debate with a co-worker, etc.).

Session 4 Table Discussion Questions

- 1. Why is it important to stay vigilant and alert to the schemes of the devil?
- 2. Peter challenged us to be "sober minded" in practical terms what does that mean to you?
- 3. What are some things you do each day to "set your eyes on Jesus"? Can you share with the group?

Session 4 Notes:

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Topical Index

Bible Verse Finder - New Testament

Adapted from Tyndale Bible Verse Finder as printed in the New Living Translation

(Note to potential translators: The purpose of this tool is to encourage pastors and other Christians to study the teachings of the Bible through looking up verses of the Bible and compare one passage with another. They may do the study individually or in Bible study groups. One needs to study many passages before one can clearly understand a certain topic. This list of Bible references do not necessarily give all the places where a particular topic is talked about.

The sentence before each Biblical reference is a brief summary of the content of the verse or verses mentioned. Some of these sentences are easy to translate, some are more difficult. The translator would need to look up every reference in the mothertongue translation to see how the verse or verses have been translated. This will help you to translate the sentence. The important point is not to make a literal translation of the sentence, but to give an accurate and unbiased summary of the content. If you want to add to this list, your additions must be checked by a translation consultant. The references are given in the order they occur in the New Testament. The names of the books of the NT given here are abbreviated, if the name is long. If you do a translation of this tool, you will probably want to use the names in full to assist new readers of the Bible. The list of topics is ordered alphabetically according to the English words. If you translate this and want to make an alphabetical order, you will need to reorder the topics. A topic does not have to be expressed by one word. Sometimes you will need to use a phrase or small sentence. Translate the topic after you have translated all the statements under that topic just as you would translate a section of the Bible before making the section heading. Concerning the overall title of this booklet, you may try something like: Opening the New Testament, or: Keys to (the teachings of) the New Testament or: Some important things that the Bible talks about.)

Accountability

We are accountable for every word that we speak (Matt 12:36)

Confronting others with their sins should be done in private (Matt 18:15)

The church leaders may have to discipline those who do not repent (Matt 18:16-17)

We should hold each other accountable (Luke 17:3)

We should use well what God has given to us (Luke 19:11-26)

We are accountable for what we believe (John 3:18)

God holds Christians accountable (Rom 14:11-12)

God will reward Christians for their good deeds (1 Cor 3:8)

God will examine our actions (2 Cor 5:10)

To handle money several people should be involved together (2 Cor 8:16-22)

Accusations

Jesus was falsely accused (Matt 26:59-60)

Christians' sins are forgiven (Col 1:22)

Accusations against church leaders must come from more than one person (1 Tim 5:19)

The followers of Jesus may also be falsely accused (1 Peter 2:12)

Satan is know as the Accuser (Rev 2:12)

Angels

Angels do not marry (Matt 22:30)

Angels do not die (Luke 20:36)

Angels will be judged by people (1 Cor 6:3)

Satan disguises himself as an angel of light (2 Cor 11:14)

Angels are sent to help Christians (Heb 1:14)

Angels who sinned were thrown into hell (2 Peter 2:4)

Angels are in the presence of God (Rev 4:8)

Angels should not be worshiped (Rev 22:8-9)

Anger

Anger is like murdering someone (Matt 5:21-22)

Jesus became angry at sin (John 2:13-17)

Anger can give Satan a place in your life (Eph 4:26-27)

Christians should get rid of anger (Col 3:8)

Leaders in the church should not be quick-tempered (Titus 1:7)

Be slow to become angry (James 1:9)

Appearance

Do not worry about clothes (Matt 6:25-34)

Appearances can be deceiving (Matt 23:27)

Christians should care more about their spiritual welfare than their physical appearance (1 Tim 2:9-10)

Do not judge others by their appearance (James 2:2-4)

Inner beauty is more important than physical beauty (1 Peter 3:1-6)

Arguments

Avoid arguing with a weak Christian (Rom 14:1)

We should avoid arguments (Phil 2:14)

Arguments between Christians are useless (Titus 3:9)

Assurance

We can be assured of eternal life (John 5:24)

God will not refuse any who come to him (John 6:37-40)

Our place in God's family is secure (John 10:27-28)

Christians have peace with God (Rom 5:1-5)

Nothing can separate us from God's love (Rom 8:35-39)

Assurance comes from faith (Eph 1:4-5)

Atonement (Jesus died instead of us)

Jesus willingly died for our sins (John 10:17)

God brought people to himself through the death of his Son (Acts 20:28)

People who believe that Jesus died because of their sins will receive forgiveness (Rom 3:23-25)

Jesus' death purchased forgiveness (1 Cor 7:23)

Jesus' death brought us into fellowship with God (Eph 2:13)

Jesus' death rescues us from eternal punishment (Col 1:13)

Jesus' death purifies God's people (Titus 2:14)

Now that Jesus has been sacrificed for our sins, no other sacrifice is needed (Heb 7:26-27; 9:8-10:18)

Jesus' sacrifice was perfect (1 Peter 1:18-19)

Jesus took our punishment (1 Peter 2:21-24)

We cannot improve Jesus' sacrifice (1 Peter 3:18)

The death of Christ was enough to pay for the sins of the whole world (1 John 2:2)

Attitude

God will reward the meek (Matt 5:5)

God gives Christians a new attitude (Phil 1:20-25)

We should imitate Jesus' attitude (Phil 2:5)

Christians should always rejoice (Phil 4:4)

Never be worried (Phil 4:6-7)

Authority (see also Respect and Obedience)

Jesus is the highest authority under God (Matt 28:18)

God gave government its authority (John 19:11)

Christians should obey the government (Rom 13:1-2)

Parents are authorities to their children (Eph 6:1)

The Bible is our authority (2 Tim 3:16)

Baptism

Baptism is connected to repentance (Matt 3:11)

All followers of Jesus should be baptised (Matt 28:19)

Jesus was baptised (Mark 1:9)

Jesus baptises with the Holy Spirit (John 1:32-33)

Baptism is closely linked with a changed life (Acts 2:38)

New Christians should be baptised (Acts 8:12-17)

Entire families of the early church were baptised (Acts 16:33-34)

Baptism initiates us into Christ (Rom 6:3-8)

Salvation is connected with going through the waters of baptism (1 Peter 3:21)

Belief, faith

Faith is needed to receive answers to prayer (Matt 21:22)

Do not believe everything you hear (Matt 24:23)

Repentance, faith and baptism brings salvation (Mark 1:15, 16:16)

Believing in Christ brings eternal life (John 3:15-16)

Not believing in Christ brings condemnation (John 3:18)

Faith is needed to receive the Holy Spirit (John 7:38-39)

Faith makes us accepted by God (Rom 5:1)

Faith comes from hearing the Word of God (Rom 10:17)

Accept the person who has weak faith (Rom 14:1)

Christianity is the only true faith (Acts 4:12)

Faith is being confident about unseen spiritual reality (Heb 11:1)

Faith must be followed by obedience (Heb 11:7-12)

Faith is only true faith if it is followed by actions (James 2:14-20)

Bible

The Bible reveals the truth (Acts 18:28)

God's Holy Spirit helps us understand the Bible (1 Cor 2:12-16)

The Bible is a Christian's spiritual weapon (Eph 6:17)

The Bible is inspired by God (2 Tim 3:16)

The Bible helps us grow spiritually (1 Peter 2:2)

Blessing

God blesses us when we seek to please him (Matt 6:33)

Christians should bless their enemies (Luke 6:28)

Salvation is our greatest blessing (Eph 1:3)

Body of Christ

The body of Christ has been given many different gifts (Rom 12:3-6)

There are many parts, but one body (1 Cor 12:12-13)

Christians make up the body of Christ (1 Cor 12:27)

Christians of different nationalities form one body (Eph 3:6)

There must be unity in the body of Christ (Eph 4:3)

Different parts of the body help each other grow (Eph 4:11-16)

Jesus is the head of the body (Col 1:18)

Book of Life

The names of Christians are in the Book of Life (Phil 4:3)

Jesus will never erase names from the Book of Life (Rev 3:5)

People whose names are not in the Book of Life will be thrown into the lake of fire (Rev 20:15)

Only those whose names are in God's Book will enter heaven (Rev 21:27)

Bride of Christ

The church (the believers) is the bride of Christ (2 Cor 11:2-3)

The church (the believers) will be purified before being presented to Christ as his bride (Eph 5:25-27)

The bride of Christ will be presented to Christ (Rev 19:7)

Caring

Care for your enemies (Luke 6:27)

God cares for his children (Rom 1:6-7)

Treat parents with care (Eph 6:2)

Treat co-workers with care (Col 4:1)

Care for the elderly (1 Tim 5:1-4)

God's people should care for the needy (James 1:27)

Children

Parents should nurture their children (Eph 6:4)

Children must obey their parents (Col 3:20)

Children of God

God is our Father (Matt 6:9)

Christians are God's children (John 1:12)

The Spirit of God leads his children (Rom 8:14-17)

Christians should be separate from the world (2 Cor 6:17-18)

All of God's children are equal in God's eyes (Gal 3:28)

Because we are God's children everything he has belongs to us (Gal 4:4-7)

God chose us to be his children (Eph 1:4-5)

Jesus is our spiritual brother (Hebrews 2:11)

Complaining

Christians should not complain to each other (Phil 2:14)

People complain because they want their own way (Jude 1:16)

Condemnation, passing judgement (see also Judgement)

Those who do not believe in Jesus will be condemned (Mark 16:16; John 3:18)

We should forgive others instead of condemning them (Luke 6:37)

Jesus did not come to condemn people, but to save them (John 3:17)

Those who believe in Jesus have eternal life and will not be condemned (John 5:24)

Those who have done evil will be condemned (John 5:29)

The prince of this world (Satan) has been condemned (John 16:11)

Those who belong to Christ Jesus are not condemned (Rom 8:1)

Accepting to be corrected can make us not to be condemned (1 Cor 11:32)

Confession of sin

Sometimes confessing of sins is done publicly (Acts 19:18)

Confession of sin accompanies a changed life (2 Tim 2:19)

Sometimes confessing of sins is done in a group of believers (James 5:16)

God purifies those who confess their sin (1 John 1:9)

Covenant

God established a new covenant with all people of the world through Jesus (Luke 22:30)

God established a covenant with the people of Israel through Moses, which is now called the old covenant (2 Cor 3:13-17)

The new covenant brings life, the old covenant brought death (2 Cor 3:6)

The Holy Spirit living in us helps us to keep the new covenant. The old covenant was based on people keeping the law of Moses (2 Cor 3:6)

The old covenant was a covenant of law, the new covenant is a covenant of grace (John 1:17; Rom 6:14)

The commandment of Christ is for us to love one another (John 13:34)

The new covenant has one law, called the law/commandment of Christ (Gal 6:2)

The new covenant is superior to the old covenant (Heb 8:6)

The old covenant is obsolete and out of date (Heb 8:13)

Major covenants in the Bible were confirmed through the shedding of blood (Heb 9:18-22)

The old covenant pointed to (was a shadow of) the new covenant (Heb 10:1)

Darkness, spiritual

Living without God is living in spiritual darkness (Acts 26:17-18)

Christians do not live in spiritual darkness (Eph 5:8)

God rescued us from eternal darkness (Col 1:13)

There is no darkness in Jesus (1 John 1:5)

Sinners' eternal punishment will be in darkness (Jude 1:4-13)

Death

God has power over death (John 14:19)

The death of Christians brings fellowship with Jesus (Acts 7:59)

God provides eternal life (Rom 6:23)

Jesus will raise everyone who has died (1 Cor 15:20-23)

Living in heaven is better than living on earth (2 Cor 5:6-7)

Death is not the end of a person (1 Thes 4:13-14)

Everyone will die and face God's judgement (Heb 9:27-28)

We don't know how long we'll live (James 4:13-14)

God will destroy death (Rev 21:4)

Demons, evil spirits (see also Satan)

Jesus commanded demons to leave people (Mark 1:34)

Demons want to destroy people (Mark 5:5)

Jesus gave his disciples authority to drive out evil spirits (Mark 6:7-13)

The demons knew that Jesus was the Son of God (Luke 4:41)

Jesus also sent out 70 disciples with authority to command demons to leave (Luke 10:1,17)

Demons submit to the name of Jesus (Luke 10:17-20)

Followers of Jesus commanded demons to leave people (Acts 16:16-18)

Demons are powerful (Acts 19:16)

Demons cannot separate people from the love of God (Rom 8:38-39)

Demons deceive people (2 Cor 11:13-15)

Christians fight against the plans of demons (Eph 6:12)

Demons want to mislead people (1 Tim 4:1-2)

Demons believe in God and are afraid of him (James 2:19)

Demons are angels that have sinned (2 Peter 2:4)

God will judge demons (Jude 1:6)

Do not take demons lightly (Jude 1:8-9))

Demons can work miracles (Rev 16:13-14)

In the last days, demons will be bound by God (Rev 20:1-3)

Desires

Christians should not give in to sinful desires (Eph 4:22)

Sinful desires should not have a home with God's children (1 Peter 1:14)

Desire to do God's will (1 Peter 4:2)

God's children desire to obey God (1 John 2:3-6)

Discernment

The Bible helps you to discern bad teaching (Acts 17:11)

God grants discernment (1 Cor 12:10)

Discern between right and wrong behaviour (Heb 5:14)

Ask God for help in discerning his will (James 1:5)

Drunkenness

Becoming drunk is dangerous (Luke 21:34)

Becoming drunk is sin (Rom 13:11-14)

God hates drunkenness (Gal 5:19-21)

Drunkenness can cause immoral behaviour (Eph 5:18)

Church leaders must not get drunk (Titus 1:7)

Encouragement

The Holy Spirit encourages us (Acts 9:31)

The Bible encourages us (Rom 15:4)

We should encourage one another (1 Thes 4:18)

Encourage those who are weak and afraid (1 Thes 5:14)

Encourage one another to love and do good deeds (Heb 10:24)

Envy, jealousy

Envy can cause people to sin (Acts 7:9)

Do not envy other Christians (Gal 5:26)

Unbelievers are often jealous (Titus 3:3-5)

Get rid of any jealousy you might still have (1 Peter 2:1)

Eternal life

Eternal life is only for those who do God's will (Matt 7:21)

Believing in Jesus is needed in order to get eternal life (John 3:15-16)

Jesus gives eternal life (John 11:25)

Eternal life cannot be earned by doing good deeds (Eph 2:8-9)

Believers know that they have eternal life (1 John 5:13)

Faithfulness, trustworthiness

He who is faithful will be given more responsibility (Matt 24:45-51)

It is important to be faithful even in small things (Matt 25:21)

The Holy Spirit produces faithfulness in a Christian's life (Gal 5:22)

Jesus was faithful in his ministry (Heb 3:2)

Family

Following Jesus is more important than following what your family wants (Luke 12:52-53)

Christians are members of God's family (Eph 2:19)

Husbands and wives should love each other (Eph 5:21-33)

Children should obey their parents (Eph 6:1)

Church leaders must have a good family life (1 Tim 3:4-5)

Take care of your parents or grandparents when they get old (1 Tim 5:3-5)

Fasting

Jesus fasted forty days and nights in the wilderness (Matt 4:2)

Don't show off when you fast (Matt 6:16-18)

Fasting often goes with prayer (Luke 2:37; Acts 13:2-3; 14:23)

Fasting and giving tithes does not make a person righteous (Luke 18:12-14)

Fear

The angels often started by saying "Do not be afraid" (Matt 28:5)

We can now serve God without fear (Luke 1:47)

Jesus told his disciples many times that they should not be afraid (Luke 12:4-7)

Fear God's punishment for sin (Acts 5:5, 19:17)

We should fear God more than people (Acts 5:29; Gal 1:10)

We should live in awe of the Lord (Acts 9:31)

Christians should not live in fear (Rom 8:15)

God did not give us a spirit of fear (2 Tim 1:7)

Through the death of Christ we were set from fear of death (Heb 2:14-15)

The love of God drives away fear (1 John 4:18)

Following Jesus

Jesus invites people to follow him (Matt 4:19-20)

The disciples left everything to follow Jesus (Matt 19:27-29)

Choose to follow Jesus more than anything else (Mark 8:34-38)

Jesus' followers are know by their love (John 13:35)

Following Jesus is more important than following Christian leaders (1 Cor 1:12)

Follow those leaders who follow Jesus (1 Cor 11:1)

Because you know that God will one day judge you, live in reverence for him (1 Peter 1:17)

Food and clothing

Pray for daily food (Matt 6:11)

Do not worry about food and clothing, but seek first the Kingdom of God (Matt 6:24-34)

Jesus considered doing the will of God more important than food (John 4:32-34)

Those who proclaim the gospel have a right to be given food to live on by those whom they serve (1 Cor 9:4-18)

Paul often went without food while doing his work (2 Cor 11:27)

Let us not judge others because of what they eat (Col 2:16; 1 Tim 4:3)

We should be content with having food and clothes (1 Tim 6:6-8)

Forgiveness

We must forgive others (Matt 6:14-15)

Never get tired of forgiving (Matt 18:21-35)

Not forgiving can give an advantage to Satan (2 Cor 2:10-11)

Forgive others as God has forgiven you (Col 3:13)

God will forgive our sins if we confess them (1 John 1:8-9)

Freedom

Jesus gives freedom to those who were bound in sin (Luke 4:18)

Jesus freed many people from their sicknesses (Luke 13.16)

The truth from God sets people free (John 8:32-36)

We have been set free from the controlling power of sin over us (Rom 6:1-13)

We have been set free from the law (Rom 6:14-7:6)

The Spirit of God brings freedom (2 Cor 3:17)

We have been set free from slavery to the law of the old covenant (Gal 4:21-5:1)

Do not use your freedom from the law as an excuse to sin (Gal 5:13-18)

We have been freed from the fear of death (Heb 2:15)

Giving

Give to those in need (Matt 5:42)

Do not give in order to receive praise from people (Matt 6:1-4)

God will reward us for giving to others (Mark 9:41)

The more you give, the more God will give to you (Luke 6:38)

It is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:35)

We should support Christian workers (Acts 28:10)

Give offerings to fellow Christians in need (2 Cor 9:1-15)

Church leaders should be paid by those whom they take care of (1 Tim 5:17)

Wealthy people should give generously (1 Tim 6:17-19)

God

God is our father (Matt 6:9)

God can do anything (Luke 1:37)

God is spirit (John 4:24)

God's wisdom has no end (Rom 11:33)

God can be known by people (Eph 1:17)

God is a living God (1 Tim 4:10)

God is the only one who has the right to judge (James 4:12)

God is love (1 John 4:16)

God is almighty (Rev 1:8)

God is worthy of praise because he is holy (Rev 4:8)

God's will (see Will of God)

Gospel, Good News

The Good News shall be preached over the whole world, before the end comes (Matt 24:14)

The Good News is for everybody in all countries (Luke 24:46-47)

The Good News speak about the grace of God (Acts 20:24)

The Good News has power to save everybody who believes in Jesus (Rom 1:16)

The Good News should not be preached with human wisdom (1 Cor 1:17)

Those who preach the Good News should receive financial support (1 Cor 9:14)

The Good News tell about Jesus (1 Cor 15:1-5)

The Good News bring hope (Col 1:23)

The Good News should be told in the power of the Holy Spirit (1 Thes 1:4-5)

Telling the Good News can bring opposition (1 Thes 2:2)

Gossip, evil talk

People who gossip are wicked (Rom 1:29)

Don't let bad words come out of your mouth, but only words that honour and strengthen people (Eph 4:29-32)

Christians should not gossip (1 Tim 5:13)

Speak in a good way so people cannot speak bad about you (Titus 2:8)

Government

God gives authority to those in government (Rom 13:1-4)

Christians should pay the taxes they owe to those in authority (Rom 13:5-7)

Christians should pray for those in authority (1 Tim 2:1-4)

Christians should submit to and obey those in authority (Titus 3:1)

Christians should respect and honour their rulers (1 Peter 2:17)

Grace

Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ (John 1:17)

A Christian lives under grace, not under law (Rom 6:14)

The grace of God makes salvation possible (Eph 1:7-8)

God accepts us by his grace (Eph 2:8)

Jesus poured out abundant grace (1 Tim 1:14)

God's grace gives us hope (1 Peter 1:13)

Greed

The Pharisees were greedy (Matt 23:25)

Christians should avoid being greedy (Eph 5:3)

People full of greed will not enter heaven (Eph 5:5)

Leaders of the church must not be greedy (Titus 1:7)

Grief, sorrow

God promises to comfort those who grieve (Matt 5:4)

God may use sorrow to point out sin and draw us back to him (2 Cor 7:10-11)

When a Christian dies, the hope of eternal life comforts us (1 Thes 4:13-18)

There will be no sorrow or pain in heaven (Rev 21:3-4)

Healing (see Sickness and healing, and also Demons)

Heaven

Few people will enter heaven (Matt 7:13-14)

Jesus is preparing heaven for his followers (John 14:2-3)

Life has many burdens until we enter heaven (2 Cor 5:2)

Heaven is much better than earth (Phil 1:23)

Our home as Christians is heaven (Phil 3:20)

Christians look forward to enter heaven (Col 3:1-5)

There will be no sin or injustice in heaven (2 Peter 3:13)

Hell

Hell is a place of weeping (Matt 8:12)

Hell was prepared for Satan and his demons (Matt 25:41)

Hell is a place of eternal fire (Jude 1:7)

God will send to hell those who are bad and do not believe in Jesus (Rev 21:5-8)

Holy life (see also Purity)

God uses his word to make us holy (John 17:17)

We should purify ourselves and live a holy life out of reverence for God (2 Cor 7:1)

Christians should seek to live a holy life (1 Peter 1:15)

Holy Spirit

Jesus baptises with the Holy Spirit (Matt 3:11)

To speak against the holy Spirit is very serious (Matt 12:32)

Prophecies are given through the Holy Spirit (Mark 12:36)

God gives the holy Spirit to those who ask him (Luke 11:13)

The Holy Spirit teaches us (John 14:26)

The Holy Spirit guides us (John 16:13)

The Holy Spirit empowers us to be witnesses (Acts 1:8)

The promise of the holy Spirit is for everybody who becomes a Christian (Acts 2:38-39)

Being filled with the Holy Spirit brings boldness (Acts 4:31)

The Holy Spirit lives within us (Rom 8:11)

The Holy Spirit sanctifies us (Rom 15:16)

The Holy Spirit opens our spiritual eyes (1 Cor 2:10)

The Holy Spirit is received through faith (Gal 3:2-5)

A Christian should live while being guided by the Holy Spirit (Gal 5:16-25)

A Christian should not grieve the Holy Spirit (Eph 4:30)

Honesty, speaking the truth (see also Truth)

Telling lies is evil (Matt 15:19)

People told many lies against Jesus (Mark 14.56)

Satan is the father of all lies (John 8:44)

If a Christian tells a lie, he is lying against God and the Holy Spirit (Acts 5:1-4)

Do not lie to one another (Col 3:9)

Jesus never told a lie (1 Peter 2:22)

Hospitality

A Christian should help strangers and those in need (Matt 25:34-40)

Hospitality brings heavenly reward (Mark 9:41)

Christians should be hospitable (Rom 12:13)

Christians should help even those they do not know well (Heb 13:2)

Be cheerful about being hospitable (1 Peter 4:9-11)

Hospitality reflects God's love (3 John 1:5-8)

Humility

God will exalt the humble (Luke 18:14)

Be humble in dealing with others (Phil 2:1-11)

Humble yourself before God (James 4.10)

Hypocrisy

Hypocrites want to be honoured by people (Matt 6:2-16)

Hypocrites appear to honour God, but they are not sincere (Matt 15:7-9)

Jesus rebuked the religious leaders, because they were hypocrites (Matt 23:13-33)

Be careful not be dragged into hypocrisy (Luke 12:1-2)

Hypocrites consider rules more important than love (Luke 13:15-17)

God will punish hypocrites (Luke 20:46-47)

Hypocrites are worthless (Titus 1:16)

Get rid of hypocrisy (2 Peter 2:1)

Immorality (see also Sexual sins)

Stay away from immoral people who call themselves Christians (1 Cor 5:9-11)

Immoral people shall not enter heaven (1 Cor 6:9-20)

Immorality should have no place among Christians (Eph 4:17-19)

Insult

God will bless those who are insulted because of their faith (Luke 6:22)

Pray for those who mistreat you (Luke 6:28)

Do not insult others (1 Peter 3:9)

Jesus Christ

Jesus has authority over demons (Mark 1:27)

Jesus is the Son of God (Luke 1:35)

Jesus is God (John 1:1-5)

Jesus is the Messiah (John 4:25-26)

Jesus is the Judge (John 5:22)

Jesus gives life (John 10:10)

Jesus is the Good Shepherd (John 10:11)

Jesus is the only way to God (John 14:6)

Jesus is the wisdom of God (1 Cor 1:21-24)

Jesus is the head of the church (Eph 5:23)

Jesus is the highest authority (Phil 2:9-10)

Jesus is the Creator (Col 1:15-16)

Jesus is faithful (2 Tim 2:13)

Jesus is coming again (Tit 2:13)

Jesus is sinless (Heb 4:15)

Jesus is holy (Heb 7:26)

Jesus is King forever (Rev 15:3)

Jesus is the Lamb of God (Rev 21:22)

Judgement

God will judge the words we speak (Matt 12:36)

The judgements of Jesus are always right/just (John 5:30)

God does not judge by appearances (John 7:24)

God will judge Christians (Rom 14:10)

God will judge Christians for their actions (2 Cor 5:10)

God will judge all people (Heb 9:27)

People whose names are in God's Book of Life will enter heaven (Rev 20:11-15)

Justice (what is right)

Jesus proclaimed justice and will bring justice to all nations (Matt 12:18-20)

God will bring justice to his people who pray to him (Luke 18:7-8)

Jesus was not given justice (Acts 8:33)

God is just and he will judge people when Christ returns (2 Thes 4:6-10)

Kindness

Christians should be kind to each other (Eph 4:32)

Be kind to people who treat you wrongly (1 Thes 5:15)

Choose to be kind rather than to argue (2 Tim 2:24)

Being kind takes effort (2 Peter 1:5-7)

Kingdom of God

God's Kingdom is open to those who do his will (Matt 7:21)

Entering God's Kingdom costs someone everything (Matt 13:44-45)

God's kingdom is for the humble (Matt 18:2-4)

A person must repent and believe in Christ to enter God's Kingdom (Mark 1:15)

It is difficult for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God (Mark 10:23-27)

Working for the Kingdom of God is serious business (Luke 9:62)

God's Kingdom will fully arrive in the future (Luke 21:25-31)

Only those who are spiritually reborn can enter the Kingdom of God (John 3:3-8)

Entering the future Kingdom of God requires persevering trough hard times (Acts 14:22)

Christians should tell others about the Kingdom of God (Acts 28:31)

The Kingdom of God is not about rules of what to eat, but righteousness, peace and joy (Rom 14:17)

God's Kingdom is not a matter of talk, but of power (1 Cor 4:20)

Unrighteous people will not enter the Kingdom of God (1 Cor 6:9-20)

Christians have moved from the power of darkness to the Kingdom of God (Col 1:13)

God calls people into his Kingdom (1 Thes 2:12)

God's Kingdom cannot be shaken (Heb 12:28)

The Kingdom of God is for those who love him and are chosen by him (James 2:5)

The Kingdom of God will last forever (2 Peter 1:11)

The Law of God (given to Israel through Moses)

The law can give knowledge of sin (Rom 3:20)

Those who accept the forgiveness and grace of God have been released from the power of sin and the condemnation of the law (Rom 6:14)

The law cannot take away sin, it only increases the desire to sin (Rom 7:5)

A Christian who is released from the law is free to serve God with the help of the Holy Spirit (Rom 7:6)

Anyone who lives under the power of the law and sin, has a miserable life (Rom 7:13-25)

Only those who have been released from the condemnation of the law and the power of sin can fulfil the requirements of the law (Rom 8:1-4)

Living under the law is living under a curse and Jesus Christ has redeemed us from that curse (Gal 3:10-13)

The Law of Christ

Jesus commanded us to love one another (John 15:12-17)

If we bear one another's burdens we fulfil the law of Christ (Gal 6:2)

Laziness

Encourage lazy people to work (1 Thes 5:14)

Those who are too lazy to work do not deserve to eat (2 Thes 3:10)

Leaders in the church

Leaders must serve others (Matt 20:26-28)

Leaders must be honest and mature (Tit 1:5-9)

Leaders who teach must be sincere and take their work seriously (Tit 2:7)

Leaders should set a good example (Heb 13:7)

Leaders will give an account to God for their actions (Heb 13:17)

Life

People must have a new spiritual birth to enter heaven (John 3:3)

Jesus came to give abundant life (John 10:10)

We should live lives worthy of the people of God (Eph 4:1)

We should live our lives for Christ (Phil 1:21)

Our lives should honour God (Col 3:17)

Light

Christians are the light of the world (Matt 5:14)

Jesus is the Light of the World (John 8:12)

Light shines in the hearts of Christians (2 Cor 4:6)

Christians belong to the light (Eph 5:8)

Love

Love your enemies (Matt 5:43-44)

The two most important commandments are to love God and love your neighbour (Mark 12:29-31)

Christians must love each other (John 13:34)

We cannot be separated from Jesus' love (Rom 8:35-39)

Love must be sincere (Rom 12:9)

Love never gives up (1 Cor 13:4-8)

God's love for us is beyond our understanding (Eph 3:18)

Love tells you to forgive (1 Peter 4:8)

God is love (1 John 4:16)

God's love drives away fear (1 John 4:18)

We must be known for our love (2 John 1:5)

Lust (see also Temptation)

Lustful thoughts are sinful (Matt 5:28)

Christians should not give in to lust or greed (Col 3:5)

Christians should avoid lust (1 Thes 4:3-5)

People who don't know God follow their evil desires. (1 Peter 4:3)

Marriage

Two people become one through marriage (Mark 10:2-12)

Angels do not get married (Mark 12:23)

Married partners belong together and should meet each other's needs (1 Cor 7:2-5)

In a Christian marriage, the husband must not divorce his wife, nor the wife divorce her husband (1 Cor 7:10-11)

If one marriage partner becomes a Christian, the unbelieving partner may decide to leave for the sake of peace, but should not be chased away (1 Cor 7:12-15)

Married partners are meant to be together for life (1 Cor 7:39)

How a Christian wife can witness to her non-Christian husband (1 Peter 3:1-6)

Mediator

Jesus Christ is the only one who can bring God and people together (1 Tim 2:5-6)
Jesus was the mediator who brought in the new covenant (Heb 8:6)

Mercy

People who show mercy to others will be given mercy (Matt 5:7)

We should be merciful as our Father in heaven is merciful (Luke 6:36)

Jesus is merciful (1 Tim 1:2)

Mercy is from God (2 Tim 1:2)

Money

Do not make money the most important part of your life (Matt 6:19)

Money can distract people from God (Mark 10:17-24)

You cannot serve God and money (Luke 16:13)

Christians should share what they have with those in need (Acts 2:42-45)

Christians should not be lovers of money (1 Tim 3:3)

We should not trust in our money or wealth, but trust in God (1 Tim 6:17-19)

Those who want to get rich are tempted to do many evil deeds (2 Tim 6:9-11)

Do not love money (Heb 13:5)

Be careful to treat rich and poor people equally (James 2:1-9)

Obedience

People who obey God's Word will be blessed (Luke 11:28)

Obedience and believing are closely linked (John 3:36)

Christians should obey the government (Rom 13:1-4)

Children should obey their parents (Eph 6:1)

We should obey our church leaders (Heb 13:17)

Christians obey God (1 John 2:3)

Pain (see also Sufferings)

God promises to comfort those who mourn (Matt 5:4)

God's Spirit is our comforter (John 14:16)

Christians should comfort each other (1 Thes 4:18)

All pain will end for those who have eternal life (Rev 21:3-4)

Parents

Parents should teach their children gently (Eph 6:4)

Children must obey their parents (Col 3:20)

Patience

A person who loves is patient (1 Cor 13:4)

The Holy Spirit produced patience in our lives (Gal 5:22)

Be patient with each other (Eph 4:2)

Peace

Make peace with others quickly (Matt 5:25-26)

The peace Jesus gives is different from the world's peace (John 14:27)

Jesus gives us peace (Rom 5:1)

When our thoughts are controlled by the Spirit, we will have peace (Rom 8:6)

Try hard to live in peace with everybody, even your enemies (Rom 12:17-21)

There should be peace in a marriage (1 Cor 7:15)

If there is division among us, we should repent and live in peace (2 Cor 13:11)

The Holy Spirit produces peace in our lives (Gal 5:22)

We can have peace through prayer (Phil 4:4-7)

We are called to live in peace with one another (Col 3:15)

We should make every effort to live in peace (1 Peter 3:11)

Power

Jesus had power over the wind and water (Luke 8:22-25)

Christians receive power from the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8)

The Bible is a powerful weapon (Eph 6:17)

Jesus is the greatest power (Heb 1:1-4)

Prayer can be powerful (James 5:16)

Christians have power to overcome the world (1 John 5:4-5)

Prayer

We should pray for those who persecute us (Matt 5:44)

Prayer should not be showing off (Matt 6:5-8)

Jesus often went to a place where he could be alone to pray (Matt 14:23, Mark 1:35, 6:46, Luke 5:16, 6:12)

Agreement in prayer is important (Matt 18:19-20)

We should pray in faith (Mark 11:22-24)

Jesus taught his disciples how to pray (Luke 11:1-13)

Persevere in prayer (Luke 18:1-8)

Pray with humility (Luke 18:9-14)

Jesus is praying for us (John 17:9)

Christian leaders need to devote themselves to prayer (Acts 6:4)

The Holy Spirit helps us when we don't know what to pray (Rom 8:26)

We should pray for our fellow believers (Eph 6:18-20)

We should pray with thanksgiving (Phil 4:6)

We should pray for the rulers (1 Tim 2:1-4)

Pray without doubting (James 1:6)

Pray with the right motives (James 4:3)

Pray according to God's will (1 John 5:14-15)

Preaching the gospel, witnessing

Christians bring light to a spiritually dark world (Matt 5:14-16)

Jesus made it possible for anybody to be saved (Matt 9:9-13)

Do not be ashamed of telling the Good News (Rom 1:16)

The Holy Spirit gives power to witness about Christ (Acts 1:8)

God wants the Good News of salvation to reach to the end of the earth (Acts 13:47)

We can plant the seed of the Good News, but only God can make it grow (1 Cor 3:5-9)

God has called us to preach reconciliation (2 Cor 5:18-21)

Always be ready to tell what God has done for you (1 Peter 3:15)

Pride

Pride cuts us off from God and others (Luke 18:9-14)

There is no place for proud boasting in the Christian life (Rom 3:27)

God chose to reveal himself to humble people, not to proud people (1 Cor 1:26-31)

The Holy Spirit does not cause a person to be proud (Gal 5:22-26)

God opposes those who are proud (James 4:6)

Prophecy

Claiming to prophesy does not indicate salvation (Matt 7:21-23)

The Holy Spirit can give a person words to prophesy (Acts 2:17-18)

Prophecy is a spiritual gift that strengthens, encourages and comforts people (1 Cor 14:1-5)

The words of a prophet should be evaluated by others (1 Cor 14:29)

Do not despise the gift of prophecy, but evaluate what is being said (1 Thes 5:20-21)

True prophets speak words that come from God (2 Peter 1:20-21)

Protection, safety

Pray to be kept safe from the evil one (Matt 6:6,9; 2 Thes 3:2-3)

Jesus prayed that God would protect his children from the evil one (John 17:15)

Jesus keeps us safe (1 John 5:18)

Punishment for Christians

Punishment for sin may be swift and severe (Acts 5:1-11)

Paul commanded punishment for blatant sin in the church (1 Cor 5:1-5)

Punishment should lead to repentance (2 Cor 7:8-9)

Sometimes God punishes us to bring us back to himself (Heb 12:5-11)

Punishment for non-Christians

Unbelievers will receive eternal punishment (Matt 25:46)

When Jesus returns, the unbelievers will be judged and punished (2 Thes 1:7-10)

God will punish those who do not turn from their sin (2 Peter 2:4-9)

Purity

The pure in heart will see God (Matt 5:8)

Purity begins in the heart (Matt 5:27-30)

Inward purity is more important than outward purity (Matt 23:25-28)

Purity comes from God (John 17:17)

Believers should live in purity (Eph 5:1-4)

We should think about things that are pure (Phil 4:8)

One day our purity will be like Christ's (1 John 3:1-3)

Reconciliation

It is important for believers to be reconciled to one another (Matt 5:24)

God reconciled us to himself through the death of his Son (Rom 5:10-11; Col 1:19-23)

If a Christian marriage breaks up, each partner should seek to be reconciled (1 Cor 7:11)

Because God reconciled us to himself he has given us the work of trying to reconcile other people to him also (2 Cor 5:18-20)

God can reconcile people who used to be fierce enemies (Eph 2:14-16)

Repentance

Unless a person repents of his sin, he will perish (Luke 13:3-5)

Angels rejoice when a sinner repents (Luke 15:7)

Forgive those who repent of wrongs done to you (Luke 17:4)

Repent, be baptised and receive the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:38)

The sadness that is used by God brings a change of heart that leads to salvation (2 Cor 7:9-10)

God would like everyone to repent and believe (2 Peter 3:9)

Respect

Husbands and wives should respect each other (Eph 5:33)

Those in leadership should have obedient children who respect them (1 Tim 3:4)

Show respect to all people (1 Peter 2:17)

Resurrection

Jesus Christ was raised from the dead (Matt 28:5-10)

All people will be some day be raised from the dead in order to be judged (John 5:24-30)

Jesus promised to raise his followers from the dead (John 6:38-40)

We know we will be resurrected (John 11:24-26)

The resurrection of Jesus is the foundation of Christianity (1 Cor 15:12-21)

Our resurrected bodies will be eternal bodies (1 Cor 15:51-52)

Those who died without receiving Christ will be thrown into the lake of fire (Rev 20:12-15)

Return of Christ

We do not know when Christ will return (Matt 24:36)

Christ's return will be clearly seen by everybody in the whole world (Mark 13:26-27)

Christ's return will be met with joy by those who are ready (Luke 12:35-40)

When Christ returns unbelievers will be judged (John 12:37-50)

After Christ has returned the believers will be with him forever (John 14:1-3)

Jesus will return in the same way as he went to Heaven (Acts 1:10-11)

Believers will be resurrected from the dead and given new spiritual bodies (1 Cor 15:51-57)

Those who are alive when Jesus returns will be taken up in the air to meet him there (1 Thes 4:16-17)

Continue to serve God as you await the return of Christ (1 Peter 4:7-8)

Patiently await Christ's return (2 Peter 3:8-13)

Jesus is coming soon (Rev 22:20-21)

Revenge

Believers should not revenge any evil done to them (Matt 5:38-40)

Leave revenge in God's hands (Rom 12:19)

A Christian should not desire to revenge (1 Thes 5:15)

Jesus is our example (1 Peter 2:21-23)

Righteousness

Those who long for righteousness will be satisfied (Matt 5:6)

The most important thing is to seek Jesus' righteousness and let him rule over us (Matt 6:33)

A kind of righteousness which is only on the outside is bad (Matt 23:28)

Jesus was completely righteous (Acts 3:14)

The righteousness which comes from God is obtained through faith and revealed in the gospel (Rom 1:17)

The Jews considered a person righteous if he obeyed the law of Moses (Rom 2:13)

No person (apart from Jesus) is truly and completely righteous (Rom 3:10)

The righteousness that comes from God is not obtained by obeying the law of Moses (Rom 3:21-26)

Doing good deeds does not make a person righteous before God (Rom 4:1-25)

Righteousness is a free gift from God to all who are willing to receive it (Rom 5:17)

A Christian must live a life in righteousness and not a life in sin (Rom 6:15-23)

Those who seek to establish their own righteousness do not submit to the righteousness that comes from God (Rom 9:30-10:4)

Jesus took our sin and in exchange we received his righteousness (2 Cor 5:21)

Our God-given righteousness protects us against attacks of Satan (Eph 6:14)

Righteousness from God is not based on the law, but on faith in Christ (Phil 3:1-9)

A Christian should also focus on living a righteous life (2 Tim 2:22-26)

The inspired Word of God helps us to grow in righteousness (2 Tim 3:16)

Sacrifice of Jesus (see Atonement)

Salvation

Those who receive salvation become God's children (John 1:12-13)

It is the Holy Spirit who causes a person to be saved (John 3:1-10)

Trusting in Jesus Christ is the only way to be saved (John 14:6; Acts 4:12)

Those who have received eternal life will know Jesus and the Father (John 17:3)

Receiving salvation means we must turn from our sins (Acts 2:33-38)

No one deserves to be saved, it is a gift from God (Rom 6:23)

He who truly believes that Jesus is the Son of God and allows Jesus to be the ruler of his life will be saved (Rom 10:8-10; John 3:14-21)

Salvation is obtained by the grace of God alone, not by working for it (Eph 2:1-9)

Salvation rescues us from being under the rule of Satan and brings us under the rule of Jesus (Col 1:13-14)

Christ had to be killed as a sacrifice for our sins in order to bring us salvation (1 Peter 1:18-19)

Satan

Satan tempted Jesus to rebel against God (Matt 4:1-11)

Satan is completely evil. He is a liar and murderer (John 8:44)

Satan is the temporary ruler of this world (Eph 2:1-2)

Satan and his demons are spirit beings (Eph 6:12)

Satan works through an army of demons (1 Tim 4:1)

Believers have the authority to resist Satan (James 4:1-10)

Satan is an enemy to Christians (1 Peter 5:8)

Jesus destroyed Satan's work with his death on the cross (1 John 3:7-8)

Satan is a defeated enemy (Rev 20:10)

Sexual sins (see also Immorality and Temptation)

We should use our bodies to serve and honour the Lord, not for immoral deeds (1 Cor 6:13-20)

Sexual immorality has no place among Christians (Eph 5:1-3)

Run away from sexual immorality (Col 3:5)

God wants us to live in holiness and acquire a wife in the right way (1 Thes 4:1-8)

Married people must be faithful to their partner (Heb 13:4)

Sickness and healing (see also Sufferings, persecutions and Demons)

Jesus healed the sick who came to him (Matt 4:23-25)

It was prophesied that the Messiah should heal the sick (Matt 8:16-17)

Jesus told his disciples both to preach the Good News and to heal the sick (Matt 10:5-8)

Believers ought to visit and take care of the sick (Matt 25:34-40)

When people did not have faith, Jesus could only heal a few people (Mark 6:5-6)

The disciples healed many sick people as they preached the Good News (Mark 6:7-13)

For healing to take place the power of God needs to be present (Luke 5:17)

A sickness may be an opportunity for God to be glorified (John 11:1-4, 44)

The apostle Peter healed many people (Acts 5:14-16)

God worked through the apostle Paul to heal many people (Acts 19:11-12; 28:8-9)

The whole creation and also we Christians are suffering in this life, and we look forward to being released from all these sufferings when Jesus returns (Rom 8:18-25)

Sins and divisions among the believers can hinder people from being healed (1 Cor 11:27-30)

Some Christians have special gifts of healing (1 Cor 12:7-11, 30)

The bodies we have now are weak and will die, but God will one day give us new, spiritual bodies without weakness and death (1 Cor 15:42-44; Phil 3:20-21)

Healing can also come through medicine and good advice (1 Tim 5:23)

The prayer of faith with confessions of sin will heal the sick (James 5:14-16)

Sufferings, sickness and death is part of this world, but they will not be part of the new world we look forward to (Rev 21:3-4)

Submission (see also Obedience)

Christ is our example of submission to the Father's will (Matt 26:39,42)

Following Christ requires submission to him (Luke 14:27)

The man is to submit to Christ and the wife is to submit to the man (1 Cor 11:2-16)

Christians should submit to one another out of reverence for Christ (Eph 5:21)

We should all submit to God (James 4:7-10)

Sufferings, persecutions (see also Pain)

Christ suffered and his followers will also suffer (Mark 8:31-38)

It was God's plan that Christ should suffer (Mark 9:12)

The apostles were happy that they were considered worthy to suffer for Christ (Acts 5:40-41)

When God called Paul to be an apostle he also told him that he would have to suffer much for the sake of Christ (Acts 9:16)

We should rejoice over persecutions/sufferings because they help us to endure (Rom 5:3-5)

Sufferings come before receiving glory (Rom 8:17-23)

Some sufferings may be the result of judgement on sin from God (1 Cor 11:29-32)

If one Christian suffers, the others will feel the same suffering (1 Cor 12:26-27)

Our suffering helps us to comfort others who are suffering (2 Cor 1:3-7)

Suffering can teach us to rely on God, not on ourselves (2 Cor 1:9)

Sufferings can also help us to be humble (2 Cor 12:7-10)

Hard times can teach us not to rely on material things for our happiness (Eph 4:11-13)

Epaphroditus was almost beaten to death because of serving the Lord (Phil 2:25-30)

A soldier for Christ can expect sufferings (2 Tim 2:3)

Those who want to live for God can expect to be persecuted (2 Tim 3:10-12)

Jesus can help us through suffering (Heb 2:11-18)

Suffering may teach obedience (Heb 5:8)

Many believers have suffered because they followed Christ (Heb 10:32-39)

Discipline from God can be painful (Heb 12:4-13)

The prophets are examples of how to endure sufferings (James 5:10)

Those who are suffering can pray to God for help (James 5:13)

Sufferings only last for a short time compared to eternal happiness (1 Peter 1:3-7; 5:10)

Christ showed us how to handle suffering (1 Peter 2:21-24; 4:1-2)

There will be no suffering on the new world that God will make (Rev 21:4)

Teaching

The twelve disciples were told to teach to others everything they had learned from Jesus (Matt 28:20)

Jesus taught with an authority that was different from other people (Mark 1:22)

Jesus often taught using parables (Mark 4:2)

Listening to the teachings of Jesus is more important than working for him (Luke 10:39-42)

The teaching of Jesus was not his own, but it came from God (John 7:16-18)

Teaching and preaching the gospel is not the same (Acts 5:42)

It is important to thoroughly teach the Word of God to new Christians (Acts 18:11)

Paul taught both in public places and from house to house (Acts 20:20)

Some have a gift of teaching and they should rely on the grace of God in using that gift (Rom 12:6-7)

The purpose of teaching the believers is to give them spiritual understanding and help them to become mature in Christ (Col 1:28-29)

The one who is teaching should be careful about what he is teaching (1 Tim 4:16)

Some of the elders in the early church were teaching (1 Tim 5:17)

A teacher expects those he has taught to be able to teach others also (2 Tim 2:2)

Good teaching is based on the words of Jesus and the Bible (1 Tim 6:3; 2 Tim 3:16)

A teacher should be gentle and forbearing, and not be involved in quarrelling (2 Tim 2:22-26)

Some people prefer to listen to teachers who only say the things they like to hear (2 Tim 4:3-4)

Instruction to those who teach God's Word (Titus 2:1-15)

Do not be led astray by strange teachings (Heb 13:9)

Teachers who teach wrongly will be severely judged (James 3:1)

Temptation, testing (see also Lust)

How to respond when tempted (Matt 4:1-11)

Jesus asked us to watch and pray in order not to fall into temptation (Mark 14:38)

Jesus sometimes tested the faith of the disciples (John 6:6)

The religious leaders often tried to set a trap for Jesus (John 8:6)

Do not test/deceive the Spirit of God (Acts 5:9)

The work we have done for God will be tested on the day of judgement (1 Cor 3:10-15)

Lack of self-control can make a person give in to temptation (1 Cor 7:5)

Do not test the goodness of God by rebelling against him (1 Cor 10:9)

God will provide a way of escape out of temptation (1 Cor 10:13)

Paul tested the faith of the believers (2 Cor 2:9)

We can test/examine ourselves to see if we live in faith (2 Cor 13:5-7)

Correct gently those who fall into temptation and do not be careless yourself (Gal 6:1)

We should test/examine our work for God (Gal 6:4)

We should test prophetic words that we hear (1 Thes 5:19-23)

Those who want to be rich easily fall into temptation (1 Tim 6:9)

Run away from youthful temptations (2 Tim 2:22)

Jesus knows what it means to be tempted, and he can help us to resist it (Heb 2:18; 4:15-16)

God never tempts people to sin (James 1:13-15)

Thankfulness

Be thankful for salvation (Eph 2:4-10)

Our prayers should include words of thankfulness (Phil 4:6)

Our life should be characterised by thankfulness to God (Col 3:15-17)

We are called to give thanks in all circumstances (1 Thes 5:16-18)

Trials, persecutions (see also Suffering)

Jesus expects his followers to persevere through the same trials as he had to go through (Luke 22:24-20)

The world will hate the followers of Jesus as they hated him (John 15:18-19)

Jesus gives us peace in the midst of trials (John 16:33)

Paul had many trials in the form of persecutions (Acts 20:19)

Trials help us to develop perseverance (Rom 5:1-5)

God knows what he is doing with our life (Rom 8:28)

Believers can expect to suffer for their faith (2 Cor 6:3-13)

It was part of Paul's goal in life to share in the sufferings of Christ (Phil 3:10)

God expects us to grow through our trials (James 1:2-4)

Truth

Truth is found in Jesus Christ (John 1:17; 14:6)

God expect us to worship him in spirit and truth (John 4:23-24)

The truth sets us free (John 8:31-32)

Jesus always told the truth even when people refused to believe him (John 8:45.46)

The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of truth (John 14:16-17; 15:26)

Jesus could not tell everything to his disciples, but the Holy Spirit completes the teaching of the truth (John 16:12-13)

God's Word is truth (John 17:17)

People who seek the truth will want to listen to Christ (John 18:37)

Evil people suppress the truth (Rom 1:18)

The truth of the gospel must be kept safe (Gal 2:5)

We must speak the truth in love (Eph 4:15)

Believers should avoid all falsehood and only speak the truth (Eph 4:25)

People who refuse to love and obey the truth of the gospel will perish (2 Thes 2:10-12)

Only those who are saved can understand the truth (1 Tim 2:4)

Evil men will oppose the truth (2 Tim 3:8)

We must not only believe the truth but also live the truth (1 John 1:5-7)

Unbelievers

We must share the gospel with unbelievers (John 17:14-19)

Unbelievers do not belong to Christ (Rom 8:9)

Unbelievers will not enter heaven (1 John 5:10-12)

Unity

Jesus prayed that the believers would be one just as he is one with the Father (John 17:11,23)

Followers of Christ should be in unity (Rom 15:5)

We should be united in our beliefs and thinking so as not to be divided (1 Cor 1:10)

It is very important to maintain unity and peace even in great diversity (Eph 4:1-13)

There should be unity among believers in thinking and purpose (Phil 2:1-2)

Unity is based on love for one another (Col 3:14)

Will of God

Those who do the will of God shall enter His Kingdom (Matt 7:21)

Those who do the will of God belong to Christ (Mark 3:32-25)

The most important thing is to do the will of God (John 4:34)

Those who choose to do the will of God will know that Jesus was truly the Son of God (John 7:17)

God's Spirit can show us what the will of God is (Acts 16:6-7)

Our plans need to be submitted to the will of God (Acts 18:21; James 4:13-17)

When we don't know what to pray, the Holy Spirit prays for us according to God's will (Rom 8:26-27)

As our mind is renewed we will grow in understanding what God's will is (Rom 12:2)

It is the will of God that we give ourselves first to serve the Lord and then to serve one

another (2 Cor 8:1-5)

Christ died for our sins, because it was the will of God (Gal 1:4)

We should do the will of God wholeheartedly (Eph 6:6)

God's will is that every believer should live a holy life (1 Thes 4:3-8; 1 Peter 2:15)

It is God's will that we give thanks in all circumstances (1 Thes 5:18)

We must persevere in order to do the will of God (Heb 10:36)

It may be God's will that we suffer, even if we do what is right (1 Peter 3:17, 4:19)

Our purpose in life is to do the will of God rather than our own desires (1 Peter 4:1-3)

God wishes that everyone should repent and not perish (2 Peter 3:9) (But those who refuse to repent and do not follow God's will, will perish.)

People who do the will of God will live forever (1 John 2:17)

Wisdom

Wise people build on the solid foundation of God and his Word (Matt 7:24-27)

The wisdom of God goes against the wisdom of this world (1 Cor 1:17-29)

It is Jesus who gives us wisdom (1 Cor 1:30)

God's wisdom is different from the world's wisdom (1 Cor 2:1-16)

Speaking words of wisdom is one of the gifts of the Spirit (1 Cor 12:8)

We build our life and message on the grace of God, not on earthly wisdom (2 Cor 1:12)

God will give us wisdom if we ask for it (James 1:5-8)

True wisdom is shown by humble and gentle behaviour (James 3:13-18)

Witnessing (see Preaching the gospel)

Work

Our work for God is never wasted (1 Cor 15:58)

Work as though Jesus was your boss (Eph 6:5-9)

Christians should do their best at their job (Titus 2:9-10)

Worry

When you are accused, do not worry about how to defend yourself, but trust in the Holy Spirit to help you (Mark 13:11)

Listening to Jesus is more important than worrying about many things (Luke 10:41-42)

Do not worry about your daily needs (Luke 12:22-31)

The peace of Jesus helps us not to worry (John 14:27)

Instead of worrying pray with thankfulness (Phil 4:5-9)

Give Jesus your worries, because he cares for you (1 Peter 5:7)

Remembering how much God loves us can help us against worrying (Rom 8:31-38)

If we understand why God allows hard times, it helps us not to worry (2 Cor 4:8-12)

Worship

Even Satan wants to be worshiped, but only God should be worshiped (Matt 4:9-10)

Jesus is God and he accepted to be worshiped (Matt 28:9,17)

Believers should worship God in the Spirit and in truth; the place is not important (John 4:20-24)

Peter refused to be worshiped, saying he was just a man (Acts 10:25-26)

The angels worship God (Heb 1:6)

We should worship God with reverence and awe (Heb 12:28)

When we draw near to God, he draws near to us (James 4:8)

Those who worship the beast of Satan and follow him will suffer eternal punishment in hell (Rev 14:9-11)

Even the greatest angels and prophets should not be worshiped (Rev 19:9-10)