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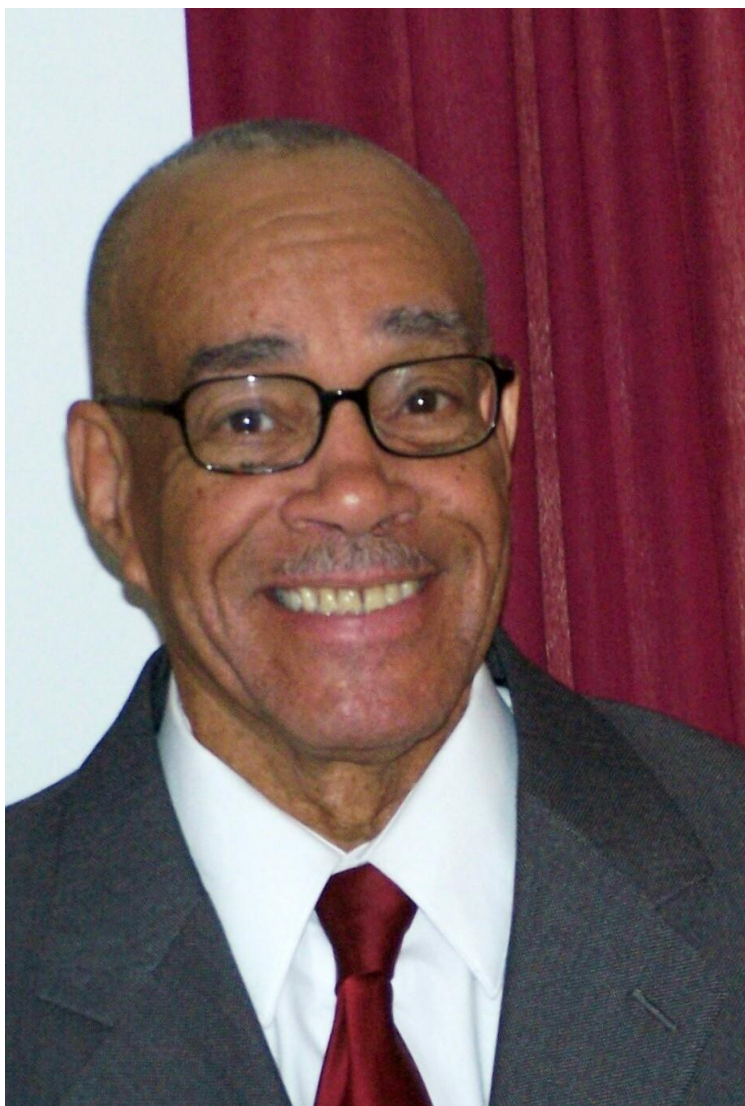
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In November 1976, Alonzo's wife, Annette, who had received Christ into her life some three years prior, began to notice a change in her husband's way of living. She noticed that he began to separate himself from his well-loved social crowd. He began to withdraw from other worldly habits, such as using profanity, gambling, and liquor drinking.

In about January 1977, Alonzo began to attend church services with his family. He also took an interest in reading the Bible and other religious literature. In March 1977, a miraculous change occurred in the life of Alonzo Kilgore. His dear wife relates to us the event of his spiritual conversion:

“It happened on a Thursday, the tenth day of March 1977, at about 10:45 p.m. Alonzo was watching one of Billy Graham's revival service programs on television. The sermon topic was “Is Your Name Written on the Lamb's Book of Life?” After listening to this sermon, Alonzo realized that in order for his name to be written on the Lamb's Book of Life, he would have to receive Jesus Christ into his life, and be saved from sin. When the call was made for people to come to Jesus Christ to be saved, Sporty, as Alonzo was called at the time, immediately jumped up from the bed where we were sitting, he went to the television and with outstretched arms accepted the Lord Jesus Christ into his heart. I immediately received the witness in my heart that God had saved my husband and filled him with the Holy Spirit. God had truly performed a miracle right before my eyes. From that night to

this day, Alonzo Kilgore has been a changed man. His entire family can witness to the fact that he has truly been born again”

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Foreword

Welcome to Volume VII of Saved from Sin. If you have read prior volumes of Saved from Sin, and studied the messages closely, it is hoped that you are learning the process of salvation and acquiring a desire to follow the teachings of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and be saved from sin. The sermons in this volume will further guide you into the process of salvation.

You can only be taught how to be saved from sin correctly by someone who has experienced it and who is ordained by God to do so. Elder Kilgore meets both of these qualifications. Therefore, through divine inspiration and assistance, he is able first to live the gospel, then teach, and preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and guide others into the path of salvation.



INTRODUCTION

If You Accept The Grace Of God You Can Live Again With God:

You can live righteously in this present world with God to help you. The grace of God is available for this purpose. The only purpose for Jesus coming into a person's life is for the person to live righteously. Jesus came to the earth to bring grace to the unsaved. Jesus did not come to serve judgment upon the world. Grace means favor to deliver the sinner from the sentence of death that Adam brought upon the people of the earth. Grace is given through knowledge of the word of God. The word of God extends grace by telling us what to do to escape damnation. To be a sinner means to be damned. The word of God offers a sure way to obtain salvation. When the word of God tells you what to do, it will give a sure path of deliverance and safety.

No matter who you are, if you follow the instructions given in the word of God, you can be saved. Nothing has power to disrupt the offer of salvation given in the word of God. God's Holy Spirit and His angels are on standby to help anybody who repents of their sins and obeys His word. God will also send a religious leader with instructions from His word for anybody who is sincere about acquiring salvation in Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ, whom God sent into the world to give man knowledge of how to be saved, is the representative of the grace of God. Jesus was sent to teach men and women how to live godly. The apostles of Jesus Christ recorded His gospel and today it is available for anybody who wants to be saved. The Bible contains the answers to every question concerning the salvation of man. Now, everybody is going to live eternally, that includes the saved and the unsaved. Christ's death made this possible. No matter who dies, whether he or she is righteous or unrighteous, he or she must live again. If you are unrighteous, you will live with the damned in a lake of fire and brimstone. If you die righteous, you will live with God in heaven. Therefore, the thing to do is to accept the grace of God.

The Power of God:

The power of the devil is in the carnal nature of human beings. When a person gets saved they are delivered from the power of the carnal nature. The carnal nature has overwhelming power to make humans commit sin. Humans are born in bondage of the carnal nature. You are saved when you receive the Holy Spirit, which gives you the new birth in Christ. When you are born again, a new

nature is conceived in you that will deliver you from the compelling desires to commit sin. This is brought into your life by the power of the Holy Spirit.

When the Holy Spirit comes into your life, the carnal nature must come under subjection of the Holy Spirit. The power of God is greater than the devil. When Adam sinned, he surrendered the human nature to the power of the carnal nature, which allowed the devil to have control over humans up to the present day. The devil is mighty, but God is almighty.

When the nation of Israel was in bondage of the Egyptians, the Lord wanted Israel to realize that no matter how powerful the Pharaoh's army was, He could bring Israel out of bondage. Moses went to the Pharaoh with Aaron and a rod and told the Pharaoh that God had sent him with the message that he should release the children of Israel. When God sends a message to a nation of people, they would do well to take heed. God used Moses to demonstrate for the Pharaoh on a small scale that the message Moses was presenting to him was more powerful than anything the Pharaoh had in Egypt.

Moses allowed the rod that he had to be converted to a serpent, and the Pharaoh had magicians that could do the same thing. When Moses' serpent devoured the serpents of the magicians, God was demonstrating on a small scale to the Pharaoh that He was able to defeat the nation of Egypt. When the Pharaoh got stubborn, later God upgraded the demonstration of the powers of heaven against the powers of the Pharaoh's army, and just as Moses' serpent devoured the serpents of the magicians; the Pharaoh's army was devoured in the Red Sea.

Today the power of the devil is in the carnal nature of humans keeping them in bondage of sin. God will first demonstrate on a small scale by saving someone from the power of the carnal nature, and use this person as an example on a small scale that others will be able to see the power of God working in the person's life. Through this example, God will give others a chance to repent and to be saved like the person they saw and knew. If they do not receive the witness of the first example that God presented on a small scale, they will later see a greater witness of the power of God on a large scale, just as the Pharaoh saw his army devoured in the Red Sea.

Christ Is The Messiah:

During Christ's temptations in the wilderness, as soon as he became aware of his physical need for food, he moved out toward civilization to resume life as a human being to search for food and rest. At this time, the devil instantly seized upon this chance to play on Jesus' weakened physical condition to arouse doubt as

to whether or not Christ was truly the Son of God. The devil used the need for food and supernatural power as an inducement to lead Jesus into sin. However, Jesus had convinced Himself with no help from God that He was the Son of God.

The devil's proposition to Christ was if you really are the Son of God, you should be able to use supernatural power to command these stones to be bread. If Jesus had uttered the command, He would not have convinced Himself that he was the Son of God. He would have only convinced Himself that He had doubt that He was the Son of God, because He would have tried out His power at the suggestion of the devil. This would have shown a lack of faith, being a clear indication that He needed evidence or proof that He was the Son of God. Then, all the suffering and agony of those forty days would have been in vain.

St. Luke was right when he teaches that the temptation to wonder if He was the Son of God was present during every moment of the forty days, but Jesus' triumph came when He, being hungry, rejected the devil's proposition to change the stones into bread. After failing to get Jesus to doubt, the devil then worked on the people whom Jesus dealt with and those to whom He preached. To a great extent the devil succeeded as far as the people were concerned, but not so with Peter (St. Matthew 16:17).

The opposition of the devil in discrediting Christ is just as strong today with people. There is great doubt among the Jews that Christ is the Messiah. Even though the gospel is preached by faithful men, it must be revealed by God before people can actually believe.

If You Are Saved The Old Person Should Be Dead:

If you are saved, you should be able to identify two lives that you have lived. You should be able to identify the old life of sin, and a new life of righteousness. Two different people should have lived in your one body. The first person should be an old sinner and the second should be Christ in you. Now, be careful when you try to identify two people that you don't see the old person come back occasionally. The old person should be dead. When a person is dead, they don't come back. Listen to Colossians 3:3-4:

Verse 3 - For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ
in God.

When your old life is dead, your new life is secured or hid with Christ in God; your new life is Christ.

Verse 4 - When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then

shall ye also appear with him in glory.

You should be able to put off the former life style of the sinful person, and you should be able to put on the new man or woman. Listen to Ephesians 4:22 and 24:

Verse 22 - That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts:

Verse 24 - And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

You Must Be A Righteous Person To Go To Heaven:

You must be sure that you have become a righteous person if you want to live in the kingdom of heaven. There will be two resurrections. One will be for the righteous and the other will be for the unrighteous. The righteous and the unrighteous “shall not” be in the same resurrection, neither will they be together in the kingdom of heaven. Now some unrighteous people who go to church may think that they are just as good as a righteous person. God gives a detailed description of an unrighteous person, and he specifies how the unrighteous person will be separated from the righteous person. Listen to I Corinthians 6:9:

Verse 9 - Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers with themselves with mankind,

Verse 10 - Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.

The above listing is a description of unrighteous people. Such will not inherit the kingdom of heaven. A righteous person is one who has been spiritually washed from a life of sin. Listen to verse 11:

Verse 11 - And such were some of you: but ye are washed,

but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

You can only be a righteous person when you are obedient to the righteous teaching that God gives. Listen to Romans 6:16:

Verse 16 - Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

When you are a righteous person, you will become a servant unto righteousness and free from sin. Listen to verse 18:

Verse 18 - Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

You Are Not Right Unless You Are Able To Do Right:

The only person that is right is the person who does right (I John 3:7). When a man does as God commands him, he becomes righteous just as God is righteous. You are not right just because you are working in a church, or because you are giving goods to the poor. The word of God tells you just who's right, because the knowledge of right and wrong came from God. You can join every church in town, but unless your actions are controlled by the Spirit of God, you will go wrong.

The word of God is right; it gives the right instructions on the issues of life. The Spirit of God helps you to obey the word when you submit yourself to God. When you do as the word instructs you to do, you become right. It doesn't matter how intelligent you are, or how much money you give to the church, or whether you are the pastor, if you cannot do right, you are not right.

Sin Kills Your Religion:

We as true saints of God believe that people must be righteous as God is righteous. There is no middle ground for salvation; you are either righteous as God

is righteous, or not righteous at all. If you commit any sin, you are of the devil according to the Bible. The devil sinneth from the beginning and for this purpose, the Son of God was manifested.

If you are committing sin, the devil is in you. If you go to church and commit sin, you are the devil's disciple. It doesn't matter how much wealth you think God has blessed you with, if you commit sin, you are the enemy of God. It doesn't matter how happy you get shouting in your church, if you commit sin, you are rejoicing in iniquity. When a person has God in their life, they will not rejoice in iniquity (I Corinthians 13:6).

To go to church and commit sin at the same time makes you a worker of iniquity. Jesus will order all such people to depart from him in the judgment, because he doesn't know such people.

God Does Not Change:
(Homosexuality Is A Curse Prior To The Judgment Of God)

Religious leaders who teach that you can't live without committing sin are enemies of God. There were churches and preachers in the world during the time of the flood, but God destroyed the old world and the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah because of sins. The people became sinful practicing homosexuality in Sodom as they are doing today. God's judgment of sin, whether it is homosexuality or adultery, does not change because the culture, customs, and political views change. If homosexuality and adultery were sins during the time of Lot and Abraham in Sodom, God will serve the judgment upon such sins today. God does not change because people change.

I will prophesy and make a promise that homosexuality is a sure sign that God is getting ready to destroy this world. Those who support and contend for homosexual rights will have plenty of time to do it in hell. Listen to Jude 1:7

Verse 7 - Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Listen to II Timothy 3:1-2:

Verse 1 - This know also, that in the last days perilous

times shall come.

Verse 2 - For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

When a nation of people have been taught the word of God and nevertheless they decide to live in sin, then God will turn them over to be homosexuals. Listen to Romans 1:21, 24 and 26-28:

Verse 21 - Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.

Verse 24 - Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonor their own bodies between themselves:

Verse 26 - For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature:

Verse 27 - And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.

Verse 28 - And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

God's Revised Plan:

God's love was so deep and far reaching that God sent His Son to correct the condition that sin brought upon the world. It was love that moved God to send His Son, and it was love that moved His Son to come in the form of a human being and endure the suffering, humiliation and agony attending the mission He was sent to

perform. Jesus did not take on the nature of angels, which could have kept Him from suffering. However, He wanted to feel the burdens of life, and face the consequences of sin in order to show us how to triumph. For thirty-three years, Jesus lived under conditions just like those we face today, only He did not let them prevent Him from loving His enemies. He did not allow the adversities of life to make Him misjudge, accuse, or seek revenge against those who hated and abused Him.

Jesus was not tempted by fame or money neither by power to do wrong in the sight of God nor to compromise His stand, and destroy His usefulness as the Messiah. Notwithstanding, He was the Son of God. At times, He was sad and disappointed. There were times when He cried like a baby. There was a time that He was in such agony that sweat poured off Him like drops of blood. Though He did not cater to the opinions of people, there were times when He wanted to know what they thought of Him. Though Jesus had human fears as most people do, His emotions were similar to the average person, except that He went to the Father in fervent prayer and pleaded either that the cup be removed, or that He might have the courage and fortitude to drink.

It was God's plan that His Son take on the nature of man. God wanted Adam to live a sinless life in the Garden of Eden. Though Adam did not have the nature of an angel, he was holy, as perfect, and as devoid of a sinful nature as angels. God gave Adam a mind that was so pure that he had no knowledge of an evil nature. There was no knowledge in Adam or Eve of sinful desires neither did they have any improper emotions, aspirations, or ambitions. They were pure, righteous and satisfied living in the garden as the angels in heaven were living in heaven. The Holy God was as much at home in the garden as their guest as He was on His throne in His heaven as their God. God was as much Adam's Father then as He is Jesus' Father now.

With their pure minds and holy bodies, Adam and Eve should have lived holy in the flesh forever. This was all God's plan, but they did sin and fell from grace. So God prepared His Son to be just as holy, pure and righteous as Adam with all the feelings and emotions to live in this world in the flesh under an even more unwholesome environment than Adam lived under. The pure mind of the Son Jesus under more severe stress than Adam was able to keep itself clean and holy by obeying God, even down to death.

According to the scriptures, Jesus was at all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. It was not in God's plan that Adam should sin, but when he did sin, then God revised His plan and provided for the advent of Jesus who not only lived above sin Himself, but who would, with His own blood, cleanse the sins of Adam, and redeem the fallen race. This was the revised version of God's plan (Romans 5:12).



CHAPTER I

PREPARE FOR THE RETURN OF JESUS

Subject: Behold – The Bridegroom Cometh:

One day real soon a wedding is going to take place, and all who are a part of it will dwell in a land called Beulah. “Beulah” means to be married. Those who are saved, and keep God’s commandments are considered as the bride of Jesus Christ. Jesus is called the bridegroom who will very soon be coming to get His bride.

He is going to take them out of this world and present the bride to His Father. Jesus has prepared many mansions for His bride. The bride will be given everlasting life; they will live forever being married to the bridegroom. This will be a day when all sin will be passed away, and they will experience continuous joy in the Holy Ghost.

Subject: Are You Ready For Jesus’ Second Appearance?

When Jesus came into the world, he came to inform us about what we should do to be ready for his second return. For in the moment, we think not, the Son of Man shall come. When you are made ready by an indwelling of the Holy Spirit, there won’t be a moment in your life when you won’t think that He is not coming.

Jesus told his disciples what the signs of His coming should be before His return. In addition, He told them what they should do while He would be away with His Father in heaven. He told the disciples to go into all the world and preach the gospel telling the people what He had taught them concerning His return, and how they could be ready. Those who failed to believe His second coming shall be damned.

Jesus further taught the disciples that while they were waiting for his return to, “Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father’s house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go to prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also”. (St John 14:1-3.)

Subject: Let Them Both Grow Together (St. Matthew 13:30):

While He was on the earth, Jesus sought very carefully to give the people an understanding of what would happen at the end of the world. Today many people

have focused their ambitions on a successful and joyous life in this present world, but Jesus put emphasis on how this present world would come to an end. Listen to St. Matthew 13:30:

Verse 30 - *Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.*

Tares are represented in this parable as unsaved people. The wheat is represented as those who are saved. Jesus is saying He is going to separate the tares from the wheat and burn them. All this will take place upon Jesus' second appearance to the earth. If you have not been born again, you are considered as unsaved, and the example of what will happen to you when Jesus returns is illustrated in this parable by what happened to the tares.

The unsaved people will be burned up when Jesus returns after they have been separated from the saved people. The saved people, who are represented as wheat, will be secured in the barn. The barn represents the kingdom of heaven. All of these things were written in the Bible for our learning and for those who desire to be ready to meet Jesus the day when all things of this present world shall be concluded. Listen to Revelation 14:15:

Verse 15 - *And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.*

Jesus came to teach the world that one day the harvest is coming to the world. The righteous (saved) are going to be gathered with God like wheat is gathered by a farmer into the garner. The tares will be bound together to be burned. The day is coming when the world is going to be on fire and every living being will be burned and changed by fire.

Now the unsaved are not going to die and be eradicated from human existence. Natural death is only for a moment. Many unsaved people would be better off if all there was to death was to be burned up and done away with, but after the death of the physical body there will be the eternal death of the spiritual body. Eternal death is a never-ending story of pain, misery, and torment. All sinful flesh must die because the wages of sin is death.

Subject: The New Government:

It is God's plan to bring the government of the kingdom of heaven to the earth. God is going to do this in answer to Jesus' prayer. The purpose of Jesus' ministry was to introduce the government of heaven to the earth. The new government on the earth will be a self-ruled government whereas all people will rule themselves, needing no law enforcement, or military.

The people of the new heaven and earth will be ruled by love in which the Holy Spirit will make a permanent abode in their lives. The people in the new civilization will be saints of God. They will consist of a complete work of the Holy Spirit in both body and mind. The righteousness of God will indwell the saints forever. The saints will not be subject to temptations, because the originator of temptations will be in a lake of fire and brimstone. God will live in the saints forever. Listen to St. John 14:23:

Verse 23 - *Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.*

This abode of God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit will continue throughout eternity. God will give the saints a new heart and a new spirit. They will receive it in two parts. The first part will be given to them to be born again while they are living on the earth, and the second part will be given upon Jesus' return. The first part will be a renewing of the mind and the second part will be a new body and mind. Listen to Ezekiel 36:26-27:

Verse 26 - *A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh.*

Verse 27 - *And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them.*

Listen to I Corinthians 13:9-10:

Verse 9 - *For we know in part, and we prophesy in part.*

Verse 10 - But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.

Listen to Colossians 3:4:

Verse 4 - When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Now listen to Philippians 3:20-21:

Verse 20 - For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Verse 21 - Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

Subject: The New City (Hebrew 11:8-10):

If you are saved, you can look forward to one day living in a city whose builder and maker is God. The cities in this present world have been marred because of sin. The prophets and the apostles in times past sought such a city. You don't get to the city prepared by God using vehicles of transportation. You get there by obeying the word of God.

Obedying God's word is like a road map that will take you to the destination prepared by God. When you put away the evil of your doing, you can follow Christ, and his Spirit will lead you to the city whose builder and maker is God. To build up our confidence in this hope, God gave John a revelation of this city. Now this is not John's imagination, but God's revelation given to John. Listen to Revelation 21:2:

Verse 2 - And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

Subject: The Day Of The Lord And A New Body:

The day is coming when those who are here on earth now, and have not been born again or filled with the Spirit of God, won't be here. God is going to cut off the unsaved people. Listen to Malachi 4:1:

Verse 1 - For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

The day is coming when everything in this present world shall be burned up; this will happen after the children of the resurrection are taken from this earth, secured in the kingdom of heaven. They will be born again saints of God along with little children seven years and younger.

After the first resurrection, God is going to burn up everything and everybody who will be left behind, but this will not be the end for them. Now the whole creation came from the earth and when it turns to ashes, it goes back to the earth. All that does not die, and decay, God will burn up. Now there will be a generation of people on the earth after the first resurrection that is unsaved, when the world comes to its end. God is not going to wait for everybody to die. When the Lord shall descend from heaven with the voice of an archangel, and the dead in Christ shall rise first, those that are asleep in Christ shall get up and be taken into heaven out of the reach of the destruction that will follow; the unsaved shall be left (I Thessalonians 4:16).

The unsaved people of today who have made the wealth of the world their gods and made saints their servants will be left here. The day shall come when all who don't get saved shall be as stubble. The new earth will be created out of the old earth. The pretty, new cars that you see are made out of material from old cars. Listen carefully and trust me. It is not the bodies of the unsaved that will live again, (their flesh and blood bodies will be burned to stubble), but the life that is in the bodies of the unsaved will live again. Your life or soul cannot be eradicated, because God made it permanent; that part of your existence possesses your senses or feelings, such as feelings of pain, sadness, and misery.

If you aren't saved, the spirit and life that were in your flesh and blood body will be placed in a new body after your flesh and blood body is burned to stubble. You will be given a spiritual body that cannot die. If you did not get saved, it means you had the spirit of the devil; if you got saved, you had the Spirit of God, which took you to meet Jesus, and your flesh and blood body was changed on the

way to meet Jesus. If you did not get saved, your flesh and blood body was burned to stubble and you will receive a new body to live in hell, or in a lake of fire and brimstone to be forever tormented. The body of the unsaved person will be prepared by God for eternal torment, and the new body of the saved person will be prepared by God for eternal life in heaven. God is going to arrange that the unsaved have bodies that will never die.

Now for a thousand years after the earth has been burned and the saved people have been living in heaven with God and Jesus, all the wicked or unsaved people will be living on the earth in bodies that are designed for torment in a state of misery. At this time, the devil will be bounded and the unsaved will be creating their own state of misery without the devil.

Today you can get ready for the body that you want. It can be a body to live in heaven with God, or on the earth for a thousand years with the unsaved, and afterward be cast into a lake of fire and brimstone. The kind of spirit that you have when Jesus comes will determine the kind of body you will get. If you are filled with the Holy Spirit, it means you will receive a new glorified body as Jesus received after his resurrection. If you are not filled with the Holy Spirit, you will receive a body that will be prepared to live in misery throughout eternity. The choice is yours.

God is going to let you have what you want. If you want to live a life in this present world enjoying sinful pleasures, the wages of sin is eternal death. Eternal death will be continuous torment in a body that is designed for such. God does not send you to hell; it is all your program. Hell was designed by God for the devil and his angels. Don't let the devil fill you with his spirit. Give your life to Christ and God will fill you with the Holy Spirit.

Subject: The Promises Of God Are For Born Again Believers:

It may be difficult to believe that Jesus is coming back to the earth again to take the righteous to heaven. There are many who fail to believe that Jesus came the first time. You must be born again to believe the word of God. A natural mind is at war against God, and such a mind will make you reject the promises of his word (Romans 8:7).

For a born again believer, it is wonderful to think about the promises of Jesus' return. It will be a time when all of the saints of God will be joined together and become one, not one person, but one in spirit. When you are one in spirit, your life will be dedicated to serving one another. In the kingdom of heaven as well as the new earth, everybody will be serving and encouraging one another. There will

be no selfishness there. Great joy in the Holy Ghost will be produced by what we do for one another. Such duties will not be because of another person's needs, but for the joy and happiness of the kingdom. There will only be kind words spoken to one another in heaven. The words spoken will carry the power of love. This will be everlasting conduct for the people of the kingdom. There will be no knowledge of evil. Evil acts or words will be eradicated from this new holy society. The spirit of evil words and deeds will be left on the old earth, and the last of their existence will be heard and seen prior to the fire falling on the earth. God will not only burn up evil material things after the saints are taken out, but he will also burn up the spirit of evil. Listen to Malachi 4:1:

Verse 1 - For behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

Subject: The Gift Of God Is Eternal Life:

I do not preach theory or my religious opinion in my sermons. My principles are backed up by the scriptures. Now the scriptures teach plainly that being born of Adam, we are all born in sin (I Corinthians 15:21-22). When you are born with a sinful nature, it will be your in born tendency to go contrary to God's will. Nevertheless, God has arranged that even though we were born in sin, we can be born again.

When the end of this present world comes, God has planned that there will be a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness. Righteousness will be the dominant force in the new creation, just as evil and crime are the dominant forces in our present world. When righteousness controls the atmosphere, spirit, mind, and nature of the people, no evil forces will be able to enter in, not even in the mind of an individual that lives in this new creation.

Death will not be allowed to come into this new society of holiness. Aches, pains, and problems that we presently experience will have no admittance. Sadness, sorrows, and woes will not be known. The Paradise of God, which He started in the beginning, where the tree of life bloomed, shall be restored.

God has arranged things so that every individual can be happy with Him, or miserable without Him. God is love and He has arranged the best living conditions

for those who will receive Jesus Christ. The devil rewards with death, but the gift of God is eternal life.

Subject: You Will Not Enjoy A Condemned State Of Mind When Jesus Returns:

The word of God tells us that when Jesus comes back to execute judgment, all eyes shall see him. Those who pierced Him shall see Him and they shall wail because of His coming.

God is now trying to get you saved during this period of grace. Upon Jesus' return to execute judgment, there will be no chance for anybody to be saved. God does not desire that this grace age end and people be lost, but there must be a final settling up; there must be a day of reckoning because the wicked shall wax worse. People don't get any better in sin. The world today is much worse than it was fifty years ago. The hope for people of the world is to be saved now.

Those who desire to be saved must break off their fellowship with sinners. You can work and do business with sinners, but a saved person should have no social or religious association with sinners. When you make up in your mind to live right, God will help you to separate from sinners. When you make up in your mind to do things that are pleasing to God, He will give you a new mind to sustain your decision. People who commit sin don't enjoy it, because sins leaves them condemned, and nobody enjoys a condemned state of mind.

Subject: Jesus' Return Gives Joy To The Saved People:

When you are born again, it is a joyous feeling to know that the time is at hand, when Jesus shall return according to the words spoken by the prophets. Jesus' promise to saved people is eternal life. This was His first promise that was given in His gospel during His first appearance; and He will fulfill this promise to all who are born again.

Those who are saved are looking for Jesus. Those who are not saved may be looking to hit the lottery. Jesus has power to destroy the works of the devil in the minds of people if they repent and receive his gospel. When you hear the preaching of the gospel, it has power to uncover the deceitful things that the devil is doing to people. All they have to do is to repent or turn from everything that the word of God teaches is the works of the devil.

The word of God will expose Satan's works in such simplicity that folk will see what he is doing to them. When they repent, the Holy Spirit will help them to eliminate the works of Satan in their minds first, and then in their deeds.

Subject: The Truth From God Is Only Compatible With A Spirit Filled Heart:

Everybody knows that he or she is going to die. Death is a debt that must be paid. Some people may be happy while they live in this world, but they are not happy when they think about the debt that they must pay. No one can rejoice in knowing that he or she is going to die, but if a person has been born again, the hope of eternal life is such a powerful reality that it will overwhelm the death of the physical body. Such born again people will have a hope that though he or she dies they will live again. Jesus brought this hope to the human family with his ministry to the world. Jesus came to the world to defeat death, and give us a hope beyond the grave. When Jesus gives you the new birth, your way of thinking is elevated above the limited and deceitful joy of this present world.

Today those who believe in Jesus' gospel should be looking for him to return to the earth right about now. Jesus is coming very soon now, for all the things that point out the signs of his coming are in place. It is wonderful joy to believe that Jesus is coming to take the born again believers from this world. When you are truly ready for Jesus' appearance, you will have a happy heart. The only thing that can give you a true happy heart is the truth about God's promises.

When your mind has been anointed by the Holy Spirit, it can receive the truth from God concerning his promises, and you will have a true happy heart. When a person's mind is not anointed by the Spirit of God, they can't accept true things from God. The truth of God's promises is not compatible with a deceitful heart. When you are not born again, you are not anointed, nor filled with the Holy Spirit, and you cannot receive the truth from God.

Subject: Keep Your Mind On The Sky:

The most important thing in the life of a truly saved person is to be ready when Jesus comes. When a person is not saved, their mind will be on the things of the world and not on Jesus' return.

When you are truly saved, you will not be surprised when Jesus appears. Your body will be changed and you will be expecting it. If a person is not truly saved, though they may have some knowledge of Jesus' return it will be like a storybook tale, and they won't take it seriously. When you are born again, Jesus' return will be more of a reality to you than the moon and stars you see at night. When you look up and see the moon out at night, you are not surprised or frightened, nor will you be surprised or frightened when you look up and see Jesus returning, because the Holy Spirit would have made you ready for such an experience.

The Holy Spirit will help you to keep your mind on the sky. You don't have to keep your eyes on the sky because you might be driving your car, but you will be able to keep your mind on the sky. When your mind is on the sky, your life will be in perfect peace (Isaiah 26:3). Now if you are fussing, your mind won't be on the sky, it will be at war. So watch yourself and pray.

Subject: If You Don't Have God's Spirit You Are Not His Child:

Millions of people are not going to be ready when Jesus returns. For those who are ready, it will be a sweet day for them. Those who are not ready will receive a big surprise upon Jesus' return. Some will be caught drinking liquor, taking dope, committing adultery, fornication, or homosexual acts. Such people will not have time to change or to correct their deeds; it will be too late. Those in whorehouses and gambling casinos will not have time to run to church and repent. However, for those who will be ready it is going to be a glorious event like it was for the shepherds who received the message concerning Jesus' first appearance.

It was a sweet and glorious event that day. When the message came to the shepherds, the glory of the Lord shone round about them, and they were afraid at first, but the angel said unto the shepherds to fear not, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord (St. Luke 2:8-11). Jesus' second return will be just as glorious for those who are saved. During the first appearance, the angels had to prepare the shepherds to receive Jesus, but this time

the Holy Spirit will prepare the saved people to receive Jesus. Those who don't have the Spirit of God will be rejected. Romans 8: 9 reads like this:

Verse 9 - But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit,
if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.
Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ,
he is none of his.

**Subject: A New Society For The Saved People
(Revelation 21: 1) (2 Peter 3:13):**

There will very soon be a new heaven and a new earth. In the new heaven and earth everything will be eternal including the lives and the bodies of the people that will inhabit those spiritual habitations (I Corinthians 15: 52-53).

When things are eternal it means that they won't go bad or have to be repaired or replaced. Human bodies will not need doctors or undertakers. This type of environment will be ready for the saints when they get there. The details and specifics have not been given to us at this time because humans that have been taught the ways of this present world cannot conceive the things of God (I Corinthians 2: 9). We must be given an eternal mind to be able to comprehend the eternal things of God's new kingdom.

God is a creator and there are no limitations on what he can create. God can create levels of joy that the human heart will not be able to endure; therefore, God gives us limited revelations of what to expect.

**Subject: Jesus Is The Resurrection And The Life
(St. John 11:25):**

The flesh and blood bodies that we were born in will see corruption, die or be changed. But the Spirit of God produces life that cannot die. The birth of the Spirit does not produce life like the seed of a man. The Spirit produces incorruptible life. It produces incorruptible life by an incorruptible seed, which is the word of God.

Jesus was the word of God sent from heaven in a flesh and blood body. When His opposers tried to kill Him after three days, He was resurrected by the Spirit of God. The Spirit of God gives life to the word of God. Today if a person

receives the teachings of the word of God, Jesus taught that the Spirit of God would give eternal life to the word of God that they have taken into their minds. Though their physical body dies, they will receive a new body just as Jesus did when He was resurrected. If those who receive the word of God while they lived in this world and their physical bodies die before Jesus returns, the Holy Spirit will preserve their souls in paradise until Jesus returns to initiate the first resurrection. They will be resurrected in new bodies, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to meet Jesus in the air, and to be forever taken to heaven to live with God. (I Thessalonians 4:13-18.)

Subject: Watch! (Matthews 24:32):

Don't let any preacher tell you that he knows the day or hour that Jesus will return, if he does say that he knows the Bible is calling him a liar. The Bible gives us the signs of Jesus' coming, but not the day or the hour.

The Bible teaches that there will be "wars and rumors of wars", and that "nation shall rise against nation", ... and earthquakes, in divers places". "The love of many shall wax cold". No matter who you are, if you want to be saved, stand in the holy place. The holy place is obedience to God's word and not in some church building where folk practice sin. As it was in the days of Noah, so shall the coming of the Lord be. You must be watching for Jesus' return, not by watching the skies, but watching how you live. Watch to see if you are living a sin-free life. Your heart must be right with God. Jesus will be looking at the hearts of the people as well as their deeds upon his return, so watch.

This earth that we presently live on is not a permanent home, you are seeking a city whose builder and maker is God. We are just pilgrims passing through this world.



CHAPTER II
SIN & DEATH

Subject: Sin Is A Destroyer Of Life:

Sin is the cause of death, because sin destroys life. Sin separates man from God, and God is the source of life. Sin separates man from God because God hates sin, and cannot have it in His presence. God remains a distance of separation from a sinner, but lingers in the shadows in forbearance, hopeful that man will repent and turn away from sin. While in sin, man commits acts that are against his health and welfare, and gradually, his health weakens. Gradually the structure of his social, financial, and moral conditions deteriorates. Slowly despair comes and then if God does not reach him, he will die.

Subject: The Sentence Of Death:

We had no control over what Adam did, that brought the sentence of death upon us. At that time, we were still in the loins of Adam, and were not born. As the centuries passed on, we came forth out of the loins of Adam, because God created only one man. God deals with the events of the future as well as the present.

When Adam disobeyed God, he brought the sentence of death upon those of us who were not yet born, as well upon himself. We became subject to death because we were in the seed of Adam. Whatever is in the seed will be in the fruit. A sinful man can only produce sinful children. Since we had nothing to do with what Adam did, God let all men die for the sin of one man.

God, being fair arranged a solution to the problem in Jesus Christ. God set up Jesus as an example for the world, that we might have a chance to be saved by obeying Jesus' procedures for salvation. Though we must suffer the death of the physical body for the price of Adams's sins, we can be saved from the death of our souls in Christ. When our souls are saved, God will give us another body to live forever.

Subject: Death Is The Enemy Of God:

Death is any enemy of God. Death destroys what God created. God did not create anything or anybody to die. Death entered the life cycle of man by sin. Sin and death work together. When sin is removed from the life cycle, death will become helpless and will be useless.

Now many think that when death takes a loved one, God had something to do with it. God is a giver of life and will never do anything to work against His own purpose. A person cannot die as long as God is present in their life. God must step back to allow death to enter a person's life cycle and take their life. Death is an institution that's on standby waiting for a sinner's time in life to expire. Death comes in at any available opportunity by means of sickness, car accidents, or war. None of these occurrences is greater than the power of God.

If you have Christ in your life, death does not have the option to come in on its own terms. It must get an approval from God. There are some who will never see death; they will be saved and alive when Jesus returns. Those who are saved, and die before Jesus returns will only experience the death of the flesh and blood body. Death becomes a terror when a person is not saved. They will experience the first and second death. The first and second deaths are the death of the body and soul. Such deaths will be the eternal separation from God, resulting to a permanent stay in a lake of fire and brimstone.

Subject: Jesus Makes Us Free From The Bondage Of The Carnal Nature:

Human existence cannot be eradicated. When your body dies, your soul, which is your mind, will continue to live. Your soul is the permanent part of your existence. When you are not saved, your soul is a prisoner of your carnal existence. Only Jesus Christ can deliver us to a better state of existence than the carnal state in which we are born. Listen to Galatians 5:1:

Verse 1 - Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage.

To be born in the carnal or sinful state of existence is to be entangled in the yoke of bondage or to be a prisoner of our existence.

Unless Jesus gives us liberty from the fleshly or carnal state in which we were born, there will be no escape from the miseries of our everlasting destiny. Listen to Hebrews 2:1-3:

Verse 1 - Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip.

Verse 2 - For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward;

Verse 3 - How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him;

When we are saved, Jesus sets us free or at liberty from the desires of the carnal or sinful nature. Listen to Galatians 5:13:

Verse 13 - For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.

Subject: Your Mind Can Be Deceitful:

Unless your mind is filled with the Holy Spirit, your mind can be a deceitful leader of your body. Your mind can be lifted up in pride, desiring praise, honor, and respect. Your mind can make you think you are more than what you are.

The devil seeks to flatter those who do not have the Spirit of God by exalting them in the spirit of their minds. The devil likes to impress people with the idea that they are somebody great. The Spirit of God gives you an accurate description of what you are. It only adds holy qualities to your character. Such qualities are not given for the world to admire, because the world rejects holy qualities. The world only admires fleshly ways and the pride of life. Without the qualities of the Holy Spirit, you can be deceived by your own perception of yourself.

Subject: Is Sin Taking An Occasion With Your Religious Teaching?

Now, a church sinner is further from God, and is in much worse spiritual condition than a street sinner is. To be a church sinner is to be a sinner by means of deception. This means the religious teaching of the church has deceived the sinner into believing that they can be saved and still be a sinner. Such a sinner will have to experience a conversion as the Apostle Paul experienced on the road to

Damascus. God had to save Paul from his limited religious teaching, which was the law, in order for Paul to receive the teachings of Jesus Christ.

When you have been deceived by a religious teaching, you have to be saved from sin and your religious teaching. When sin takes an occasion with your religious teaching that has deceived you, sin is exceedingly sinful. Listen to Romans 7:11-13:

Verse 11 - For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me.

Verse 12 - Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

Verse 13 - Was then that which is good made death to me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.

Subject: When God Comes Into Your Life Sin Goes Out:

To be an active church sinner means that everything you do concerning services to God is an abomination unto God. There are many so called sinners that will go to God, and confess that they are sinners and will put forth no effort to stop committing sin.

They will talk to God asking for favors as if they are talking to an associate. They will admit to God that they haven't done the things that He commanded them to do, yet they want a favor. These types of sinners have adulterated the knowledge of God. Their knowledge has been mixed with beliefs that are not in the Bible. These are the worst churches to go into. Such churches deny the power of God to save them from sin.

The devil makes people sinners. If the devil can make you a sinner, why can't God make you sin-free? We should never doubt that the power of God is greater than the power of the devil. When God comes into your life, sin goes out. Just like darkness leaves a room when light comes in.

Subject: God Does Not Reward The Unrighteous Person - His Deeds Rewards Him:

God is not against a sinner. When a person commits sin, they are against God. If a sinner wants to be saved, God will work with the sinner to help change his way of living. God will not reward you for being a sinner. The things that a sinner gets in life is because God allows his blessings to fall on the just and the unjust. God will not cause a sinner to be destitute, but as a sinner continues in life, he will be rewarded for his unrighteousness.

The reward for unrighteousness is produced from unrighteousness. Have you ever seen a dishonest politician go to jail? The result of his unrighteous deeds sent him to jail.

Subject: When You Commit Crimes (Sins) Worthy Of Death According To The Law Your Sins Will Kill You:

It was never God's plan from the creation that man should die or be killed. God created man in His likeness and in His image, and He has no desire that His offspring or image be destroyed. But, when a man kills another man or sets out to destroy his neighbor, whether it is a local neighbor or another country, God will require the life of the offensive person or nation at the hands of every man or nation. When Adolph Hitler began to destroy other countries of the world, God required his life at the hands of the allied or free countries of the world.

A soldier is not a murderer when he kills because God requires him to do so because an offender has transgressed God's law. The sheriff or law officer who presses the button to turn on the electric current to execute a lawbreaker is not a murderer. He is not killing the man who sits in the electric chair; the lawbreaker is being killed by his own sins.

Subject: He That Committeth Adultery Lacketh Understanding - He Destroyeth His Own Soul (Proverbs 6:32):

Most everybody has some knowledge of what is right and wrong. If they are taught the doctrine of salvation as the Bible gives it, they will clearly be able to see that the Bible is right. The Bible plainly teaches what is right and what is wrong.

When a person does wrong, the Bible teaches what their results will be. Listen to this scripture in Proverbs 6: 32:

Verse 32 - But whoso committeth adultery with a woman
lacketh understanding: he that doeth it
destroyeth his own soul.

Now all you have to do is listen to the news media concerning every politician or high ranked government official who committed adultery and what the results will be. Some end up going to prison even though adultery is not a criminal offense. Such famous, prominent, and reputable people who commit adultery will end up just as the Bible teaches; they will destroy their own souls. Their destruction will start in this life and will continue in the next life unless they repent of such sins.

Subject: Those Who Commit Adultery Are The Enemies Of God:

You have found favor with God when He gives you a reliable person to help you in life. There are things in life that can be very difficult unless you have someone to help you. There is nothing in the creation that can be of greater help and comfort to a man than a wife. One thing the devil would like to do is to break up a marriage, because he knows a man will be at a disadvantage in life without a helpmeet that was given by God.

The devil hates to see a man with a good wife. Sometimes even a man's friends will be jealous when he has a good wife. A good wife is worth more than all the money a man can earn. The devil knows that a woman is a blessing to a man, because God instituted marriage; and when God does something, it is right.

After God instituted marriage and it worked so well for man, the devil came along and instituted adultery to destroy the marriage. Whenever a person commits adultery, they are the devil's disciple. Such interference to the institution of marriage is a direct act against God. When a person commits adultery, they are being used by the devil to destroy what God instituted, and they will be in direct transgression against God. It does not matter if they are church going Christians, they are the enemies of God when they commit adultery.

Subject: Don't Keep Secrets From Your Spouse:

Now the devil hates to see a happy family. The devil does everything that he can to break up a family. He first starts working on the weaker spouse showing them where they have been treated unfairly. The devil does not use forbidden fruit anymore as he did on Eve, he uses deceit, and it seems to work quite well.

The devil causes a spouse to have secret segments of their life that they do not want to share with their spouse. Such secrets could be financial, social, or business secrets. These things will cause the spouse who has not been included to wonder what is going on in the dark side of the marriage. Such secrets may not be harmful, but they will develop skepticism and lead to contentions, and an unbalanced relationship, which could later develop into separation or divorce.

Subject: Are The Conditions Of The World Today Similar To The Conditions Of Noah's Day?

It is the principles of righteousness that God gave to the nation of Israel in Moses' law that have kept the world in a civil state up to this present day. The principles of righteousness were fulfilled by Jesus Christ. When the principles of righteousness are no longer being implemented, then the world will regress back to an uncivilized state of existence.

The righteousness of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ has been ignored to the extent that Christianity will soon be a bygone thing. Today the church no longer has any control over its members. The church can no longer say to its members that fornication, adultery, and homosexuality are sins. When the church loses the respect of its members, the teachings of righteousness will have no effect upon the conduct of the people in our society. This will be revealed by an increase of crime, divorces, and children being born out of wedlock.

When God sees that every imagination of man's heart is continuously evil, man will then reach a state of morality that is beyond redemption. When this happens, God will prepare to destroy the world and to deliver the few righteous people who are obeying him. In the book of Genesis, it gives one of the most important passages of scripture that is very much related to our present day spiritual condition. Listen to Genesis 6:5-7:

Verse 5 - And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Verse 6 - And it repented the Lord that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.

Verse 7 - And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

When the conditions today are like conditions of past times that moved God to destroy the earth, God will do the same thing today.

Subject: The Devices Of The Devil Are For Self Destruction:

The devil knows the things that God has in store for the children of the resurrection, because he at one time lived in the presence of God in heaven. Today the devil is trying to keep everybody that he can out of the kingdom of heaven. Just as God gets pleasure out of making His children happy, the devil gets pleasure out of making people miserable. Today, people with the devil's spirit would like to fill you with envy, strife, hate, malice, and every evil thing except love, because the evil spirit of the devil gives temporary ungodly pleasures.

Subject: Disobedience To God Is To Hate The Knowledge That Can Lead To Safety:

When a man or woman fails to obey God, he or she hates knowledge and the turning away from God's counsel will destroy the person. To hearken unto God is to dwell in safety. When a soldier obeys God, he is not a murderer, though he may kill the enemy, such a soldier is a minister of God attending God's business.

The disobedient person received punishment from the soldier because he hates the knowledge of God and such disobedience brings his destruction. When God got ready to destroy Sodom because of the sins in the city, God sent angels to destroy Sodom. The angels were not considered murderers any more so than the airmen who dropped bombs on Japan and Germany.

Soldiers who obey God are ministers just as angels who obey God. When it gets to the extent that soldiers are not able to carry out God's mission by themselves, they will receive assistance from angels. When Joshua was not able to

win a battle with his soldiers alone, he encountered the captain of the Lord's host who assisted him in conquering his mission.

Subject: A Criminal Offense Is A Sin:

Sin is a transgression or violation of God's law. God's law is His better judgment concerning how men and women ought to live and conduct themselves. God's law was given for the benefit of mankind to keep men and women from destroying one another. Most every time that you transgress or violate God's law, it will be an offense against your fellowman, because the law was given by God to help men and women to be able to get along with one another. No other rules have ever been given that have helped men and women to get along with one another, and none has been more effective than God's law.

If all men would obey God's law, there would be no offenses committed by one man or woman against another, resulting to no need for courts and a judicial system. All of the courts, prisons, jails, and judicial systems that have been established through the centuries are because man has continuously committed sin or transgressed God's law. It was God who said thou shalt not murder, steal, lie, and rape. All of these things were first written in the law that God gave Moses.

Subject: Without Christ Your Own Actions Will Condemn You:

God manifested his love to the world by giving his only begotten Son. This was done for us by God that we might get right with God again. Adam caused us to go wrong, but Jesus was sent to make us go right. Every man and woman who is born into the world has forgiveness of sin if he or she will accept Christ with the intent to go and sin no more.

Without Christ, your own actions will condemn you. The love of God is given to men through Christ to control the actions of men to keep men from condemning and destroying themselves. Jesus didn't come to condemn the world; the world was already condemned.

Jesus came to save the world by being a light for the world to direct men into safety. It is the principles that men follow which cause them to receive condemnation. Jesus brought different principles to the earth teaching men to go the opposite of the way they were going. When men obey Jesus' principles, the principles have power to save them.

Subject: God Sets A Course For A Repenting Sinner:

The foundation of salvation is obedience to God. God has set forth instructions, which we must follow to establish us as obedient children who were at one time lost in sin, and alienated from God in the darkness of deceit. The commandments of God are designed to deliver and direct us into the path of righteousness that we might find safety and comfort in the Holy Spirit. The course that God sets is necessary to restore us in His favor, and meet the requirements for regeneration.

The ordinances such as baptism of water and repentance of our sins are essential parts of God's plan that we might be inducted into the channels of salvation to become a child of God. Repentance means to forsake your sins or to turn from everything that you know is wrong.

A person who repents should be so sorry for living in sin that they would never go back to such a life again if God forgives them and shows mercy. God being moved by such repentance, forgives the person and clears up their record of sin, and gives them the Holy Ghost, after which they are ready for baptism of water as an open testimony of what God did for them.

Subject: Jesus Did Not Come To Call The Righteous Person To Repentance But The Sinner:

If you are a sinner, and you are not actively involved in a church, it could be that Jesus is more concerned about you than those who are actively involved in a church. Listen to St. Matthew 9: 10-13:

Verse 10 - And it came to pass, as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold, many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him and his disciples.

Verse 11 - And when the Pharisees saw it, they said unto his disciples, Why eateth your Master with publicans and sinners?

Verse 12 - But when Jesus heard that, he said unto them, *They that be whole need not a physician, but they that are sick.*

Verse 13 - *But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy and not sacrifice: for I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.*

If those involved in churches today think that they are already saved, yet have not received Jesus into their lives, then Jesus is saying he did not come to save them because they are already righteous without Jesus being a part of their righteousness.

Subject: Natural Desires Are Acceptable As Fruit For Repentance:

We are born into this world with natural desires to commit sins. We are not responsible for such desires, and we cannot help ourselves. Some people have natural desires to be adulterers, homosexuals, liars, thieves, fornicators, drunkards, idolaters, and to be dishonest. In order to be saved, we must be saved from our natural desires to commit sins.

Natural desires carry a lot of power in the human nature. They compel us to do things that are contrary to God's word. When we repent, we must repent of our natural desires, which will be difficult. This is referred to as "fruit fit for repentance". To repent of something that is not difficult does not impress God of the sincerity of our repentance. A person must repent of sins that they really enjoy doing, and this kind of repentance is acceptable fruit of repentance. God will then look down from heaven and grant such a person a repentance of the Holy Spirit. Listen to St. Matthew 3:11:

Verse 11 - I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance:
but he that cometh after me is mightier than I,
whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall
baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:

If a person does not offer acceptable fruit of repentance, and decides to retain certain sinful practices that they enjoy, then God will not give them a repentance from heaven.

Subject: If You Repent You Can Be Made Free From Sin:

You should not measure yourself by the religion of other people. You should measure yourself by the rule that God gives you. The word of God is the rule. The word of God is for you, and not against you. If you use the word to measure your life, it will lead you to safety. God is now giving the people of the earth a chance to use the word of God to measure their lives that they might acquire salvation before the end of time. God is using those who are already saved to attract the attention of the unsaved.

Christians of America have been tied down in sin so long that it seems impossible to get free. The people are like a chicken that has its legs tied overnight. When the string is taken off its legs, it won't try to get up and move; it will continue to lie there holding its feet close together as if it is still tied. That's the way folk in sin are. They have been in sin so long that they think they can't get free from sin. All they have to do is to repent and turn from sin and Christ will help them.

Subject: God Does Not Charge You For Mistakes As Being Sins:

God does not charge you for mistakes that you make as being sins. A sin must be a willful and knowledgeable transgression against God's word. In order to receive this pardoning for our mistakes, you must first confess your belief in God that He can make you perfect by helping you to correct your mistakes. You cannot receive this pardoning by becoming complacent in sins that you know of. You must understand that God knows that when He makes you know that you have done something wrong, you will correct it. When you correct a mistake, and don't intentionally make the same mistake again, you have reached perfection in that thing. God wants you to make a few mistakes, because mistakes are not sins, and when you are willing to be corrected, you are taking on the spirit of humility.

A mistake occurs when you are trying to do right, but your lack of knowledge led you to err. God corrects you and gives you credit for being righteous. God will count you as a righteous man or woman because you believe in his power to keep you doing right. The evidence of your belief in God is that you will obey Him. If you call on God to help you when you are tempted to do wrong, He will help you.

God knows when you don't want to commit sin, so He instructs you on just what to do to avoid sin. If you obey God by asking for His help, he will surely deliver you. Each victory that God gives you will help you to win another. You

will learn that as you go along through the years, your efforts to live above sin will grow easier. God will help you to continue living above sin by giving you the Holy Spirit.

Subject: Wealth Is Not A Good Friend To A Person Who Is Dying:

If you are not born again, when you get ready to die, you will have a sad good-bye to this world. It is a sad thing to know that you are lost when you get ready to die. Wealth cannot help you when you get ready to die. Your wealth may be your greatest comfort while you are living with reasonable health, but it will be too weak to help a dying person, because it cannot go with you.

When a wealthy person gets ready to die, their wealth will say good-bye just as their family members, and it will very quickly find another person to take care of it. Wealth is not a good partner for a dying person. There are many who will spend their entire life acquiring wealth that will leave them when they die. It is better to acquire a relationship with God because He will go with you through the valley of the shadow of death. Listen to St. Luke 12:20:

Verse 20 - *But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?*

CHAPTER III

SALVATION

GENERAL TOPICS

Subject: You Have To Be Called From Sin:

Salvation is a calling from God. When God calls you, He does not call you to be an unclean sinner who drinks liquor, smokes cigarettes, and commits fornication, or adultery. God calls a person unto holiness. Holiness is spiritual cleanliness; that means to be clean from a life of sin (I Thessalonians 4:3-7).

When people get together in an ungodly way, singing, praying, and shouting, along with fornication and adultery, it means that God did not call them. You cannot be saved unless God calls you from a life of sin. Sin is too powerful for a person to walk away from without the help of God. You can repent of some sins, which is an indication to God that you desire to be saved, but if God doesn't call you, sin will reclaim you.

Subject: Jesus Paid The Price For Our Salvation:

Just because you are a member of a church does not necessarily mean that you are a member of the body of Christ. When you are a member of a church, you are an official physical member, but when you are a member of the body of Christ, you have a spiritual membership, which means your name is written in heaven on the lamb's book of life. This will qualify you to live in the kingdom of heaven after your life on earth has ended.

When you have your name written on your local church roster for membership, it will entitle you to have a place for your funeral service to be conducted. You become a member of the body of Christ when you have been born again. To maintain a membership in your local church may require you to pay your tithes and offerings, but Jesus paid the price for us to have a membership in the body of Christ.

You can pay your own price to have a membership in your local church, but listen to who paid the price for your membership in the body of Christ in the book of I Corinthians 6:20:

Verse 20 - For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Subject: Are You Saved?

You want to learn the correct information about being saved, before you die. It is good to be fully informed about being saved while you are still living. God does not offer a plan to be saved after you die. The plan of salvation is only for the living.

The thing that determines whether you are saved or not is that, you begin to live a righteous life the day you repented. When you repented with a sincere heart, God also granted you repentance from heaven to help you. From the day of your repentance to this present day, there should have been a conversion in your life from a life of sin to a life of righteousness. If such a conversion has been continuous, it means that God gave you the Holy Ghost to help you. You are then filled with the Holy Spirit. This means you have been born again.

The new birth was brought about by the Holy Spirit implanting the knowledge of the word of God in your life giving you power to activate the word. There should be a test from time to time to try your conversion to see if you are overpowered by temptations to return to a life of sin. If you were able to overcome and maintain your righteous life, this means that God is with you and you are saved of a truth. God, by the power of His Holy Spirit, will then make you steadfast and unmovable from your new life in Christ that is sin-free. The temptations and testing will not end. They will be a continuous part of your salvation as long as you live on the earth in a human body.

Subject: Your Salvation Should Be Seen In Your Everyday Life:

You are not saved by exercising church rituals. You can be baptized in water, sprinkled or have water poured on your head along with taking communion services, but these rituals won't save you. You can speak in unknown tongues and let a preacher use his hand to knock you out, but it doesn't mean that you are saved.

The evidence that you are saved should be seen in your everyday life and that is when you are delivered from sin. Your salvation should be seen in your life and not be witnessed by church rituals. Folk should see that you are saved on your job, in your home and your neighborhood. Some church rituals are okay, but they are not a confirmation of your salvation.

Subject: Jesus Died For Those Who Crucified Him:

As a result of Adam's sin, man was sentenced to death. Jesus had a great debt to lift the sentence of death from man. No one else was qualified to pay this debt except Jesus. God sent Jesus to pay the debt for us, because of His love for us. God sent His love down to the earth in the person of His Son, and whosoever believed in Him, even if the person died, could be saved and live again.

God so loved the world that he sent Jesus to redeem man from the broken law. The plan of salvation was beyond the conception of the human mind, but God brought it to us in a simplified form so that we could understand and reap the benefits from it. There has never been an expression of greater love than when Jesus laid down His life for His enemies. Jesus died for those who crucified Him that they might have a chance to be saved as well as those who loved Him.

Subject: Christ Is An Intercessor For Us:

God is just and is not sympathetic to the sadness of the conditions of a person's life if they are not obedient to His word. God is only moved by obedience. When we obey, we get His favor and assistance. When we disobey, we are not acknowledged by God at a time of trouble. The quality of mercy for our obedience is found in Christ, who acts as a mediator between God and the obedient person, to intercede for us when we need the pity of our heavenly Father.

Christ was made flesh that He might understand our weaknesses and be qualified to intercede for us. As we suffer, so did Christ suffer experiencing temptations from the desires of the flesh.

Christ was victorious over the flesh. As He became our mediator, God assured Him that whatever we asked in His name, He would grant for Jesus' sake. Knowing all about our weaknesses, and being a loving, understanding, and sympathetic Savior, Christ eagerly intercedes when the Father would be unsympathetic and merciless. Therefore, we invoke the mercy of the Father when we ask for what we need in Jesus' name.

Subject: Your Salvation Must Be According To The Scriptures:

How can you know when your religious teaching is right? There is only one way that you can know that your religious teaching is right and that is when you do right. Listen to I John 3:7:

Verse 7 - Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous.

Don't measure your salvation by what your pastor teaches if it is not like what the Bible teaches. The word of God is the only thing that can confirm your salvation. When you learn what is right according to the scriptures, then anything else that is right must be according to the scriptures.

Jesus himself had to correct John the Baptist who wanted Jesus to baptize him, which was contrary to what the scriptures had taught. The scriptures cannot be broken. The scriptures taught that Jesus should be baptized by John. Listen to St. Matthew 3:13-15:

Verse 13 - Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.

Verse 14 - But John forbad him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

Verse 15 - And Jesus answering said unto him, *Suffer it to be so now: for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness.* Then he suffered him.

Subject: God Will Reveal Himself To Those Who Desire To Live Right:

You cannot learn the reality of God just by reading the Bible. There are Bibles in hotels and hospitals all over the country, and people are as ignorant of the reality of God as the animals in the zoo.

God reveals Himself to those who try to live right, and speak the truth. When folk are surrounded by sin and do not try to live above sin, God does not

come near to such people. God is against sin. There is great distance between God and people who practice sin, which keeps them from reaching God.

When a person attempts to put away their sins, God will be pleased to dwell with the person. God will then reveal Himself to the repenting sinner in many wonderful ways. He will give such a person the Holy Spirit to enrich their understanding of His word. The ways of God will become brightly illuminated and they will become aware of the presence of God, who though is invisible to the natural eye, He will be so real when they need comfort, deliverance from a problem or companionship.

God being a Father to such a person will answer many questions concerning this reality. Questions that are not alright for the person to know God will withhold from the person. God has deep love and more profound understanding of His children and is always happy to be a Father to those who desire to be Saints. God will teach His children how to reach Him in prayer and to establish a line of communication with Him. We as children of God must be sure that we have maintained our integrity to the extent that when He hears us, He will be ready to dispatch assistance to bring us help in answer to our request.

We must pray fervently with a sin-free life, always desiring the righteousness of God to be in our lives first and anything else we actually desire would be given to us without praying. On many occasions, we will lack the knowledge of what to pray for. Our inability to pray will be so obvious that it is referred to in the Bible as our infirmities. Our heavenly Father will be so moved by our inability to pray that He will allow the Holy Spirit to help us, because many words we use in our prayers may not mean very much.

Our prayers must be like our lives. That is they must be above sin. Which means we cannot pray with selfishness, greed, revenge, emulations; these things can creep into our prayers unnoticed. So the Holy Spirit will make intercessions for us with groaning or utterances to God in the language of heaven that will be understandable and acceptable to God. God will then take appropriate action that is in line with His plan. Our prayer is answered according to the will of God.

Subject: Jesus Teaches You About Yourself:

Those who heard Jesus' gospel while He ministered on the earth had to bear witness that this man was from no institution of learning on earth, and that He must have received His knowledge from some higher source than this world could offer, and yet they failed to believe Him. Nevertheless, for the few that did believe, He gave them power to be saved (St. John 1:12).

If you read the word with the assistance of the power of God, you will find that everything it says is true. You must read and follow through with obedience, and you will find that what it teaches is true. When God is dealing with you, His purpose is to eliminate your ignorance of His word. When you are being taught by God, the Holy Spirit does the teaching. It teaches by means of revelation. This means it reveals the secret things of God to you. The plan of salvation is a mystery that may be hidden from your colleagues. Listen to Colossians 1:26-27:

Verse 26 - Even the mystery which hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now is made manifest to his saints.

Verse 27 - To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory.

When God deals with you, He tells you about yourself, and not someone else. Grace is given to you to deliver you from the harm that your sins are doing to you. Jesus not only forgives you of your sins, but He gives you power to sin no more. He teaches you that sin is a booby trap that is designed to deceive and to destroy you. The Spirit opens the eyes of your understanding and shows you every hazardous way that you were headed in.

Subject: Get Close To God:

Every sensible person realizes that he or she has to die, but the person doesn't always know when. It will be a wise thing to prepare for death so that you can be ready in the event that it comes without an announcement. When we came into the world, we didn't bring anything. Whatever we acquire while we are here is meant to be used while we are here, so it will be good not to get too attached to our possessions.

We should get as close to God as we can, because he is going to determine when we are going and where we are going, and he won't allow us to bring anything with us.

Subject: God Can Do Anything:

All existence belongs to God. Every person and creatures that exist are under the power of God's will. It is God who decides whether things on the earth and above the earth will continue to be or not to be. God controls the universe by the power of the Holy Spirit. Holy power is greater than all other sources of power and energies that exist.

Man entered into God's existence by transgression of God's holiness. This resulted to man having a limited stay in God's existence. God offers man a chance to return to His holiness. God has revealed to man that transgression leads to destruction, and that man can return to God for everlasting comfort and joy. Listen to Psalm 90:3:

Verse 3 - Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest,
Return, ye children of men.

The law of God was given to man by Moses to show that all who continued in transgression were dead and damned. God later sent Jesus to teach us how to lay aside every sin that does easily beset us and lead us to our destruction. Whosoever believed in Jesus could be saved.

If God can control the universe and all of the heavenly bodies, surely He can save a helpless man from the damnation of a life of sin.

Subject: Be Careful Of What You Ask For: (I Samuel 8:5-22)

Now your mind can deceive you. In order for your mind to give you good directions in life, it must be under the leadership of the word of God.

There was a time in the history of the nation of Israel when God had given the Israelites a prophet so that God could communicate with the people by means of a prophet. A prophet of God is ordained and prepared by God to be an effective and accurate means of communication between God and the people. The prophet will very carefully learn the ways of the people, and the ways of God, and when the ways of the people are not in line with the ways of God, the prophet will prophesy concerning the future of people, and the way that they are going. The prophet will give them warning from God that the way that they have chosen will lead them to damnation.

So at a particular time in the history of the nation of Israel, they wanted a king rather than a prophet. God gave the people what He did not want them to

have. It is better to learn the will of God before you ask Him for something, because what you ask for may not be for your best interest. After the nation of Israel was given a king rather than a prophet, they became subjects and servants of the king paying taxes and giving a large portion of their goods to the king for the king's wealth and comfort. Their children became servants of the higher ranked officers in the king's administration, and they were eventually defeated by their enemies resulting to them living in fear. All this happened because God gave them what they asked for. Be careful of what you ask for, God might give it to you.

Subject: True Religion Should Make A Difference In Your Personal Life:

Jesus came to the earth for one purpose and that was to save us from sin. Just because you rejoice in a church on Sunday does not mean that Jesus has saved you from sin. Now many people join churches and think that if they make confessions they are saved. You are saved only by faith, and your faith must be that Jesus can keep you living above sin under normal worldly conditions. Jesus wants to save you, but you must believe that He can. He will not save you contrary to your belief that you can't live free from sin.

The only true indication that you are saved is when you don't commit sin. Those who go to church and shout, scream, fall on the floor, and speak in tongues are deceived by a deceitful spirit of Satan. What good is all such ways of worshiping when you commit adultery, resulting to a divorce? True religion should make a change in your personal life, and this will only happen when sin is removed.

Subject: There Should Be A Light To Direct The Sinner To Christ:

If you are saved and you are a member of the spiritual body of Christ, you should be called out of the world to walk with Christ through faith. Christ is not on the earth today in human form as He was two-thousand years ago, so He relies on the true members of His body to do His work on the earth, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

The ministry of the members of the body of Christ is to bring salvation to sinners. When you are a member of the body of Christ, you are no longer of the world, but you are in the world giving the knowledge of salvation to the sinner.

The light of Christ should shine so brightly from the members of His body that sinners will be able to see the way to go to be saved. The light of Christ should show the sinner a clear distinction of the evils of the world, and the righteousness of God, so that when a sinner makes a choice to be saved, he will clearly see the way to go. If a church body claims to be members of the body of Christ, and fail to manifest the evil and corruption in the world as in many churches, then such a body is a false representation of the body of Christ.

It is very sad to see men and women come to a church looking for spiritual assistance and find to their dismay that the church is no different from the world that they left. When the light that God ordained that the church should have to shine to direct the sinner is gone out, the people who come to the church looking for salvation will be worse off than they were in the world. Many will be taught how to be hypocrites rather than saints.

Subject: Humans Are Both Physical And Spiritual:

The blood of Jesus, which is spiritual runs through your veins to purify and cleanse the spiritual part of your life that needs cleansing. It first purifies your mind, and your mind will then send pure orders to your body members. Your mind has power over your body members. A desire to commit adultery has to come from your mind, and not your sex organs. Your sex organs operate from orders given from your mind. Therefore, when your mind is pure, your actions will be righteous. Humans are both physical and spiritual, but the spiritual has more power than the physical when you are born again. The Holy Spirit incorporates a new power source in the spiritual, so that the spiritual will order the physical parts of your body to do right.

Subject: Don't Waste Time Partying:

Now don't waste your life having a good time, worshiping idol gods. Whatever you love in life more than God is an idol. Belshazzar was the son of Nebuchadnezzar and he made a feast and invited all his concubines (women). They began to drink and dance. When Belshazzar thought about the treasures

taken from the temple that were for holy worship services to God, he sent his servants to get the treasures and bring them up to drink to false gods or idols. While they were dishonoring God, God sent an angel whose hand was seen writing a message that they could not interpret. Therefore, they sent for Daniel to interpret the message and offered Daniel gifts for the interpretation.

Daniel said, I will read it because it was written by my God, but I don't want your gifts. Daniel said to Belshazzar, you have been weighed in the balances, because you have been like your father for disobeying God and failing to honor God. This night your kingdom shall be taken from you. It came to pass that the enemies came, took the kingdom, and killed King Belshazzar.

Subject: Stand In The Holy Place (St. Matthew 24:15):

God has a plan for the salvation of man. Jesus is coming to redeem man from the curse of sin. After that man is redeemed, God plans to give man a glorious body that will be fashioned like His own glorious body, and deliver man from all kinds of suffering. Many people may not understand the plan of God that is available for them. Many have troubled hearts and frustrations of life that cause them to drink liquor and take illegal drugs. It is the will of God that we be not discouraged, but that we are ready to be a part of His plan.

We should have confidence in our heavenly Father that He is going to deliver His obedient children from the discouragements of this world. God wants us to know and understand that we are His children, and if we keep His commandments, we can find peace until Jesus gets here. If we retreat to a life of sin, we will not be ready when Jesus arrives, and we will not be qualified to be a part of God's plan.

When we shall see the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the prophet, we stand in the "holy place" (St. Matthew 24:15). This means when we see a time of trouble in the world. The "holy place" is obedience to God's word. Today trouble is all around us, but don't let it chase you to a liquor bottle; go to God. Get to where the word of God is being taught of a truth, and you will find safety.

Regardless of the troubles that shall come upon the earth, the word of God declares that God's people will be delivered (Daniel 12:1-3). If you have been born again, your name is written in the book of life. Make sure you have your name written in the book, because everybody's name that is written in the book will be delivered from the troubles of the world.

Subject: The Spiritual And Physical Food:

No matter what you do with your life, it does not come from you. Life comes from God. You live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God (Deuteronomy 8:3). Physical food sustains your physical body, but it takes spiritual food to sustain your spiritual body. Without physical food, your physical body will die. Without spiritual food, your soul will experience eternal death. The word of God is spiritual food, and unless you obey it, you are not living by it.

Spiritual food teaches you how to survive spiritual problems. It teaches husband and wife how to prevent having to get a divorce. It teaches you how to love one another to keep hate from destroying you.

Subject: Life Can Be Deceiving:

Life can be deceiving; we may feel that we can make it through life by our own means and that we don't need help from God. The truth is we need help from God to breathe. If God doesn't help us to get our next breath of fresh air, we could drop dead, though we may be a very successful businessman with a large bank account.

Many people do not realize that they are dependent upon God for life, and must first have the help of God before they can get help from a doctor. When we realize that we need help from God, we will honor and respect what his word teaches by obeying it. To think otherwise is to be deceived.

Subject: We Should Dedicate Our Lives To God And Our Buildings To Ourselves:

Wherever you worship God with a sin-free life becomes a holy place. What makes the place holy are the holy people and not the way the building was designed and constructed. Now some buildings are constructed and dedicated to God. You can only dedicate your life to God. God doesn't accept buildings because they can't live holy. God only accepts dedications from people who give their lives to Christ to live free from sin.

A building can't glorify God by the way it lives. It only consists of dead lumber bricks and cement. God gave these material things to man for his comfort and survival. We can't give these material things back to God, because he gets no

glory out of them. God is only glorified by a holy life that humans live. When humans live a holy life, God lives in them and not in a building. Buildings are for humans and not for God. Therefore, humans should dedicate their new buildings to themselves and their lives to God.

Subject: Jesus Is The Express Image Of God His Father:

The gospel that I am giving in this literature is the last gospel that you will hear before the return of Jesus Christ. I will gladly give anybody who desires to read it a free copy. Jesus Christ was sent into the world by God to cause you and me to be ready for the day that is coming in which no man will be able to stand unless Jesus is with him.

Of all the prophets that came before Jesus, He was the greatest, for the word of God tells us that “Never man spake like this man”. These words were spoken by the enemies of Jesus in St. John 7:46. They had seen other men work and talk religiously, but they had never seen a man perform as Jesus had done. They said the wind and the waves obey Him, and He would call men from the graves, and they would hear and respond to His command.

At various times and in different ways God spoke to the people who desired to obey Him through the prophets prior to Jesus’ appearance on the earth. However, in these last days, God has spoken to us through His Son Jesus. Jesus was in the brightness of God’s glory and the express image of God, and upholding all things by the power of His word (Hebrews 1:1).

Jesus is the brilliance of the mind of God, and in person, He looks just like God. If we should see God and Jesus together, we would not know one from the other. The only distinction would be the scars from the nails in Jesus’ hands, which held Him on the cross. Jesus upholds every word of His promise, because God the Father is the power that speaks through Jesus.

Subject: Jesus Is The Word Of God That Invites Us To Yoke Up With Him:

When Jesus came to the earth, he was the word of God made flesh. The word of God was put in human form by the Holy Spirit to present the gospel to the world. Listen to St. John 1:1-3 and 14:

- Verse 1 - In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- Verse 2 - The same was in the beginning with God.
- Verse 3 - All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made.
- Verse 14 - And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

God made His word into a body of flesh and sent it here to dwell among us. The Word was filled with favor, and the Word did not fail to tell everybody the truth.

Jesus made the people to know their condition and their need for help, and then He extended His hand to every man and said come unto me, learn of me; take my yoke upon you and I will bear your burden, for my yoke is easy and my burden is light. All this was made available for our salvation by means of God's word. Jesus invites us to yoke up with Him regardless of the sin that the devil has placed upon us, He is able to roll it away.

Subject: God Keeps His Promise:

The word of God has never been known to fail. If you obey the word of God, it will do what it promises to do. You should give careful attention to see if your life is in line with the teachings of the word of God. Read the Bible and this literature to see whether or not the things that you are doing is in keeping with the word of God. If it is, you will prevail in life.

God's word is not like a contract that the business world uses, which is sometimes deceiving. God will not deceive you; He will honor His covenant or agreement with man. If you repent and believe His word, He will give you the new birth.

Subject: Saved People Are Self-Governed:

As long as an heir of a wealthy family is a child, he or she is no different from a servant of the wealthy family. Though the heir will eventually be lord of all that the family owns, until the time appointed of the Father, he or she will be under tutors and governors (Galatians 4:1-7).

So is it also with those of us who are saved. God does everything at an appointed time. At one time, we were in bondage under sinful ways of the world, but God sent Jesus to redeem us that were condemned under the law, that we might receive an adoption into the family of God. We were adopted by the Spirit of God, which He sent into our hearts, and now we are no more servants to sin, but children of God and heirs of God through Christ.

When we become children of God, those who have the wealth in the world are like servants, and we are like children that are no different from servants. We are small in the estimation of those who make themselves gods of the world, and we can do no more than what they may say to do. They are like servants in a great house of the wealthy person until the time appointed of the Father. There is an appointed time that the children of God will become possessors of all the Father has. Listen to Psalm 37:7-11:

Verse 7 - Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

Verse 8 - Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

Verse 9 - For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the Lord, they shall inherit the earth.

Verse 10 - For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.

Verse 11 - But the meek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.

When we become saved, we are children of God; when we are children of God, we are heirs of God. Though we may be those who are in the service of

wealthier people, we are nevertheless children of God and heirs of God. We shall one day come into possession of all that God has created.

The kingdom of heaven and the new earth shall be given to the saints. The rulership and government shall be given to the children of God. God is now teaching us how to rule ourselves, after which He has promised that if we hold out, we shall come into full possession of that which He created in the beginning for the upright and holy man and woman.

God created the world to be a paradise and to be inhabited by His son Adam in joy, peace, and happiness. By transgression, Adam fell, but if he obeys God's commandments, God will redeem him. Adam presently lives in us who were born sinners. God is teaching us how to rule ourselves with the assistance of the Holy Spirit. This is so that when He gives us our inheritance, there will be no government by any one person, and every person shall govern himself or herself. Today everybody is trying to govern somebody else and nobody has been successful at governing themselves, except those who are saved.

Subject: Save Yourself And Those Who Will Hear You:

God admonishes us to watch and pray. The word "watch" in God's command comes before the word "pray"; therefore, it is essential that we watch first, and then pray. By watching, you can be ready to greet Jesus when He comes. You must be obeying His word, doing good deeds, and maintaining good conduct as a child of God. This is because Jesus is coming back to the earth to reward every person according to their works that they are doing when He comes, and not what they have been doing previously and did not continue to do, neither what they plan to do, but what they are presently doing. No matter how good you have been, if you become bad before Jesus returns, He will give you no credit for your past deeds.

Don't worry about correcting someone who does not want to accept your correction. If you can't help them, continue to do right yourself. The devil would love to use someone else's ill conduct to influence you, but don't allow such. You must save yourself and if God sees fit to save someone else, God knows how to do it.

**Subject: Fear Not Little Flock For It Is Your Father's Good
Pleasure To Give You The Kingdom (St. Luke 12:32):**

God is so liberal and kind that everything in His kingdom of heaven and in the new earth will be for the joy of His people. All the things of God will be ours, and the time will come when God will suffer us to come into possessions. God gets pleasure out of making His children happy. God's plan is to establish righteousness in the new kingdom that His children may be under the government and rulership of God in their hearts. God will live in the hearts of every person who will be in His kingdom. The presence of God will be with those who obey Him and keep His commandments, and His goodness will prepare blessings and joy of heart forever in His kingdom.

Those who are saved today may be servants, but in the kingdom of heaven, they will be lifted to a position of control and rule. God exalts you when you obey Him. The day will come when God will fulfill His purpose within us. In the kingdom of heaven, every person will have full control of himself or herself to do nothing but the will of God. The spiritual culture of those in God's kingdom will be doing God's will. They will do God's will because of their love for God.

Subject: God Is Known By His Works:

If you learn what pleases God, you can learn what He will bring to pass in your life, if your life is pleasing to God. God brings to pass the things that please Him. You don't get lucky with God; you receive blessings when you please God. God is glorified by what He does for you when others see that you are obeying God's word. God gets the glory out of the works that He does in your life.

When others want to know if there is a God, God will manifest Himself in your life when you obey Him, and if folk want to see God they will see Him by the works that He has done in your life.

Everybody knows about the wind that blows, because they can see the effects it has on the things around them. So will they also be able to see the effects that God is having in your life.

Subject: Life More Abundantly:

There are many who would rather die for God than to live and work for God. They believe that the only way they can be with God is after they die. God is not a God of the dead, but a God of the living. It is necessary to learn to live for God in this life so that you will be qualified to live for God in the next life. It is by living for God in this life that you will live again in the next life.

In Christ you don't really die, you simply experience a transition from life in the physical existence to life in the spiritual existence. To desire to die for God is a desire to be separated from God. Death is God's enemy and life is a gift from God. Death of the physical body for a person who is saved is a promotion to life on a higher level. It is life more abundantly. St. John 10:10 reads as follows:

Verse 10 - *The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.*

Subject: If Your Heart Is Right You Don't Have To Fear Evil:

The only time you have to fear evil is when it is coming from you. Evil can only do spiritual damage to you when it is coming from you. When you have a mind to obey God you don't have to fear evil nor death. The word of God teaches that God can take us through the shadows of death and we don't have to fear evil.

When your heart is right with God there is no condemnation. Evil can only make you afraid when sin condemns you. When there is no condemnation, neither is there any intimidation from evil.

Subject: God Only Accepts A Sin-Free Servant:

Everybody who wants to be saved should be willing to make sacrifices. People have been sacrificing since the days of Cain and Abel. The greatest sacrifice that was ever made was when God gave His Son. We are required of God to make living sacrifices. God can't use us as dead sacrifices, because we can't be sacrifices for our own sins, Jesus did that for us.

In order to be a sacrifice, or to make a sacrifice, we must be holy, sin-free, undefiled, and acceptable. We weren't born like that so we could not be

acceptable sacrifices until Jesus died for us. Now that Jesus has cleaned our lives of sin, we can present ourselves to God to be acceptable sacrifices as servants to help somebody to be saved. God does not accept a person's services or sacrifices unless their lives are sin-free.

It does not matter how much you contribute to your church, if your life is not holy and sin-free, you are wasting your money. This is because God only accepts sacrifices that come from a sin-free servant. Listen to Romans 12:1:

Verse 1 - I Beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

When you are not holy, you are not acceptable to God, and neither are your sacrifices. You cannot be an acceptable servant unless you are a sin-free servant, because you are a servant to whom you obey. If you obey sin, you are a servant to sin. You cannot obey sin and God at the same time, you either have to love one and hate the other. When you are sin-free, you become a servant of righteousness, which is a servant of God. Listen to Romans 6:18:

Verse 18 - Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

Subject: A Spiritual Light:

The light of God is a spiritual light. Spiritual light is not the sun, moon, and stars; it is Jesus Christ. If you are saved, you are living in spiritual light. This means the knowledge of salvation has been revealed to you. One of the purposes of Jesus' gospel was to bring us out of darkness into spiritual light. If your church has not brought you to spiritual light of Jesus' purpose, then your church is working with the devil.

The devil loves to keep people in darkness. When people are in darkness, they are led ignorantly into the way of damnation. When Jesus comes into our lives, He leads us into the way of salvation. God brings you to spiritual light by means of your conscience through experience. When God teaches righteousness, He will allow you to have good and bad experiences, so that you will be able to see that bad experiences lead to damnation, and good experiences lead to salvation.

Sometimes God will allow a generation of people to have bad experiences so that the next generation will learn from the previous generations.

When you come to the light of righteousness, you must be very careful that you don't allow your way of thinking to adulterate the knowledge that God gives. You should not allow your opinion too influence your perception of the light of the gospel. The word of God is of no private interpretation, it must be received as it is given by God. If your way of thinking adulterates the spiritual light of God's word, then it will be compatible with your carnality leaving you with no access to salvation in Jesus Christ.

Subject: Your Eyes And Your Mind:

When you wake up in the morning and open your eyes, your natural sight is a great blessing from God. After your eyes are able to see things, your mind works with your eyes to help identify what you see. Your eyes can find objects in your view but your mind tells you what they are. Your mind comprehends what your eyes see. Your eyes have natural ability to see and your mind has spiritual ability to understand what you see. With your eyes, you can find physical objects that are within your view, but with your mind you can understand what they are.

It would not be of much benefit to have eyes to see objects and no mind to tell you what they are. Your eyes and mind work the same way when it comes to understanding the word of God. Your eyes help you to see the words in the Bible; but your mind must help you to understand the words. Natural sight comes by means of your eyes, but a spiritual understanding comes from the Spirit of God to your mind. You can read in the Bible where it teaches, "thou shalt not commit adultery", but unless your mind receives an understanding that adultery can destroy your life and marriage, what your eyes read in the Bible will be of little help unless your mind gives you an understanding of the damage that adultery can do to your life. The Spirit of God helps your understanding to be cleared and expanded to the extent that your mind will add good judgment to what you can see.

Your mind gives you spiritual sight. Spiritual sight is just as important as natural sight. Spiritual sight is good when it is assisted by the Spirit of God. It is not of much profit to read the Bible without spiritual sight. Without spiritual sight, you will not understand what you are reading. Not everyone has good spiritual eyes because it comes to the mind rather than to the natural eyes. Spiritual sight is a gift from God that is given to a God sent spiritual leader. Without a leader who has spiritual sight to lead you, you will walk in darkness. To be in spiritual

darkness means that you won't have the ability to discern right from wrong concerning the teachings of God's word.

Subject: You Must Have A Mind To Be Holy:

Heaven will be a holy society; everybody there will be holy. God the Father will be holy, Jesus the Son of God will be holy, and the angels will be holy. If you don't learn to be holy while you are living in this present world, God won't let you into heaven.

God will teach anybody how to be holy if he or she has a mind to be holy. If you went to heaven and had the mind to be in a ballroom, you would be very uncomfortable in heaven because the people there would have minds to be holy.

Subject: There Was No Room For The Holy Baby:

You have to be a lowly, humble person to see a need for Jesus. Kings, Rulers, and Heads of State do not want Jesus, because they see no need for him in their administrations. Prominent, wealthy and many famous people do not want Jesus. Periodically, a few in those categories may accept Jesus, but most will not. Such high ranked people will take counsel against the Lord. Many think it is okay for poorer, low class people to have Jesus in their lives.

When Joseph came along to be the guardian of Jesus, he was a humble, hard working carpenter with a virgin to whom he was espoused. As they traveled to pay taxes, they could find no room in the Inn when Mary was heavy with the child about to be born. All the prominent, important, big folks who had come to Bethlehem, to be taxed had reserved rooms before coming. Therefore, when Joseph went to the Innkeeper in his humble attire to apply for a room, he was refused. Joseph's appearance didn't fit in with the quality of guests that were being accommodated at the Inn. Joseph explained to the Innkeeper that his wife was heavy with child, but no room was available. There was no room for Jesus for His first appearance to the earth.

People of that day did not accept the quality of a good, holy, and humble character that Joseph and Mary presented. They only accepted the high-class people in their society. Only the high-class people could qualify to be residents at the Inn, though Joseph explained what the Angel Gabriel had told him in a dream concerning the child being the Son of God. The people of that day were not

impressed and most likely didn't believe Joseph; so no room was provided at the Inn.

Today, holiness, humility and a good quality of character are not compatible in a high-class society. There will be no room for holiness even if Jesus is bringing it to the world. The world only accepts wealth and high class elites to be a part of their society. Holiness and humility must look for a place in the stable where the animals reside. In a stable, a holy baby can find a bed of straw and the baby can be born there. Jesus was not wanted by the world two thousand years ago and He is not wanted today.

Subject: Jesus Can Find Room In Your Heart:

Today as long as people can find happiness in sinful pleasures of the world, they won't bother to look for Jesus. People of the world never take time to inquire about Jesus until they get sick or some destitute conditions fall upon them. When folk are enjoying pleasures of the world, they don't want Jesus interrupting their lives. They have no need for Jesus as long as things are going well, but God knows that at some point and time in the lives of different people, failure would come, and hope would be gone, because happiness from the world is short-term.

So God arranged that in the time of distress, we might have help in the time of trouble, and Jesus is on standby with such help. Many cannot see Jesus unless they see a need for His help. Then they will have an ear to hear God's word and a heart that is willing to open and receive Jesus.

Subject: The Truth Does Not Have To Be Glamorized:

God must help a person to tell the truth; perverseness is a part of human nature. It is hard to tell the truth without the Holy Spirit helping you. Without the Holy Spirit helping you to tell the truth, your imagination will adulterate the truth with exaggerations. Lies do not always have to be told intentionally; but they can be created in the spirit of vain imaginations that desire to glamorize the truth.

The truth does not have to be dressed up, because it comes with purity. When we exaggerate and glamorize the truth, it is then made perverse. When you are carnal, perverseness will overtake you. You have to be Spirit filled to avoid perverseness, because it is the works of the flesh. Lies turn a person's judgment backward, when this happens they believe a lie as being the truth, and it causes

their actions to be to their disadvantage. So tell the truth and the truth shall make you free.

Subject: The Death Of The Righteous (Numbers 23:10):

Being saved is serious business. You cannot be saved with a spiritual life that is perfunctory. You must have a zeal for God that is produced by the Holy Spirit. You cannot serve God without interest.

God speaks very plainly. The Bible is a book of instructions given by God that men might know what they should do to be acceptable servants of God. True religion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ is not like the imagination of the human mind. You can imagine many things that would have very little meaning. If your religion is inspired by your imagination, then it carries very little meaning. You have to acquire instructions from the word of God in order for your religion to mean anything. Instructions from God are like a road map that shows you how to reach a particular destination.

God's word shows you how to get into the kingdom of heaven. When most people get in a religious mood, they ask preachers to come around their deathbed to read scriptures, pray for them, and to tell them that God is going to take them to heaven upon their death. I would not put a lot of confidence in going to heaven that way. I would prefer dying the death of a righteous person. In order to die the death of a righteous person you must have a record of righteous living. When you get ready to die, God is not going to look at your deathbed mood, and your last minute religious request, and then save you on your way out. God will look at your record. God will have your record on high showing the day that you repented of your sins, and that you lived a sin-free life up to the day of death. Listen to Job 16:19.

Verse 19 - Also now, behold, my witness is in heaven, and my record is on high.

Listen to Numbers 23:10:

Verse 10 - Who can count the dust of Jacob, and the number of the fourth part of Israel? Let me die the death of the righteous, and let my last end be like his!

Subject: Another Home:

Real estate is a pretty good business to be in, because everybody is seeking a better home. Those who are spiritually minded are seeking a building not made with hands, but one that is eternal in the heavens (II Corinthians 5:1). Just as the real estate market in your community slowed down, earthly houses shall be dissolved in the fullness of time. This is because their construction is temporary, and the material used cannot last forever. With this knowledge, we should seek another building to live in, which Christ has gone to prepare for us. It will be a mansion in heaven and will last throughout eternity. With this understanding, we can be content with this earthly tabernacle.

Subject: You Must Be Taught How To Get Into Heaven:

The plan of salvation is so prepared by God that He has to send somebody to show you the way to heaven. Nobody is born into the world with knowledge of how to get to God. God must call and reveal Himself to somebody to show others the way to God. You don't get to God by praying; you get to God by obeying the instructions that are given to you. If you refuse to accept the instructions on how to be a righteous person, then you can't get to God.

You get saved by invitation brought from the messenger of God. The invitation is inviting you to receive the new birth in Christ. The moment you believe that God can keep you from the thing that is wrong and begin to walk in His statutes, looking forward for Him to help you live above sin, you then become a worshiper of God. You don't get an understanding from God until you depart from evil (Job 28:28, Proverbs 1:22-28).

Subject: Find The Strait Gate:

Obeying the commandments of God is essential to your salvation. Today the human family suffers death because of disobedience. This brings our attention to how important obedience is. Anytime something we do causes death, we should at all cost try to avoid such actions.

To obey God means that we must learn the will of God. Going to church has little to do with your salvation. Your church affiliation is not what brings you salvation, it is your obedience to God's word. God does not recognize church

denominations or the name of a congregation, but He recognizes the obedient person. It was by one man's disobedience that we have to die, not because folk fail to go to church. Romans 5:12 reads as follows:

Verse 12 - Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:

Just as disobedience to God brought death, obedience can bring life. Now being saved is more than a song you sing in church. If you enter into the kingdom of God, you must enter by the way called "strait". Strait means no perverseness or sin will be allowed in this way. This is the only gate through which you can enter the kingdom of heaven. Listen to St. Matthew 7:13-14:

Verse 13 - *Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:*

Don't watch the crowd so much, but watch what they are being taught. If their teaching allows sin and perverseness, it is a way that leads to destruction, because it is not the strait way.

Verse 14 - *Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.*

Subject: The True Love of God:

If you have been born again, you would have experienced the love of God in your life. When you have true experiences with the love God gives, you will never want to depart from God's love.

God's love gives you peace, joy, and happiness that you cannot receive from any other source in life. God can love everybody the same. He has the ability and power to love without partiality. When you are born again, you are honest, upright, and pure. Such character will lead you to appreciate the true love of God above everything else in life.

Subject: Holy Love:

When we speak of the love of God, we are referring to holy love. Holy love is the absence of hate. You cannot hate one person and have holy love for another. When hate is in your heart, holy love is not. Holy love will not dwell in a heart with hate.

Holy love is the absence of physical attractions and partiality. A desire for physical attractions is lust. Lust is of the flesh, and is attracted to beauty and sex, rather than character. A satisfaction to please lustful desires can be bought with money. Holy love is divine love from heaven. It is love for your enemies as well as your friends. Holy love is pure, peaceable, gentle, full of mercy, and without hypocrisy or partiality.

Subject: Love Will Give Victory Over Oppositions In The World:

God has the answer to every problem that confronts man, but man turns to every source for help and not to God. The solution to the problems of the world is love. I'm talking about unconditional love, love that extends beyond family love, love for your enemies, or those who hate you.

When Jesus demonstrated this love on Calvary, Judas Iscariot could have been saved, because this love did not exempt anybody. Jesus showed the world that hate, vengeance, malice, envy, and greed would bring continuous wars and destruction. There is only one way that wickedness can be dealt with and that is God's way. Now, the world can try many ways to solve the world's problems and think that they are getting somewhere, but except they learn to do things the way God's word teaches, their efforts will be in vain.

The hope for the nations of the world can only materialize through a God given child. Leaders and rulers come from children that are born. They are made leaders by means of the gifts that God gives them before they are conceived. When such children are brought up in the spirit of love from their parents, such love will be more powerful than any forces that come up against the leaders, because love is of God, and who can defeat the power of God? Try to defeat somebody who has the love of God in his or her life, and such opposers of love will surely fall. Listen to I John 4:7:

Verse 7 - Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.

When you love God, you will love our neighbor, brother, or enemy and this will give you victory in whatever opposition you are confronted with. Listen to I John 5:4:

Verse 4 - For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith.

Subject: God's Power Brings Amazing Grace:

If God can raise the sun in the morning, He can surely raise a new creature in the lives of those who repent of their sins. The works and the will of God are generated by the power of God. God's holiness is more powerful than anything we can imagine. God has supreme righteousness and holiness that has unlimited power. His power honors His will. The forces of sin and evil cannot trespass the power of God, neither are they any competition for God's performance. When God is doing something, evil has to stand aside and watch. When God is using a righteous person to do something, the wicked has to stand aside and watch. The Spirit of God brings about what God wants done, and nothing has power to interfere. When the word of God prophesies that something will come to pass, nothing can stop it from happening.

Unless a person is born again of the Spirit of God, they will not be able to understand God's plan, neither His way of fulfilling His plan. God's holiness is so powerful that all a person has to do is to believe His word, and it will cause them to turn their lives around completely. God's power can penetrate confusion and bring peace. His power can give satisfaction where dissatisfaction is. The word of God is the power of God unto salvation. To everyone who believes it. If you believe today that every ill can be cured by your faith in God, it will be. If you accept Jesus Christ into your life, you can have a deep-settled peace that will pass your own understanding.

Subject: A Holy God Uses Holy People:

Though God is the greatest power in all existence, He uses man to do what He wants done. Under these conditions, man is a part of God's glory. When God uses a man, He first makes the man holy. God will not use an unholy man to His

glory and honor. An unholy man is a sinner, and a sinner is not compatible with God's holiness.

When a man is holy, his hands become God's hands. When a man's mouth is holy, his mouth becomes God's mouth, and God will speak through his mouth. The man's eyes will be God's eyes, and God will see what he sees. What the man sees as being unrighteous, God will also see it as being unrighteousness, because God will be using his eyes.

Things that are truly holy are of God, and God claims such things in His name, because "Holy" is God's name. Now you can make a God out of anything, but you cannot make a holy God, for there is only one holy God. When a person obeys a holy God, they become holy.

Subject: Love Is Of God:

Love is a holy virtue when it is the divine love of God. It is the fruit of God's Spirit. When love is not related to God, it is sensual, and lustful, and is desirous for pleasures that please the flesh or sinful desires. When you learn to obey God, the love of God will work in you to be of assistance to other people. People who have the love of God in them will think of others, and look for opportunities to serve others.

It is through love that man can be self-governed and kept from doing evil. Without love, man becomes an enemy to others. When a person loves you, the least thing you do is precious to them. A smile or a kind word is greatly appreciated coming from someone who loves you. When love carries the gesture of kindness to another person, it is extended to that person by the power of God.

Subject: You Cannot Be A Sinner And Love God (St. John 14:15) (Ezekiel 18:25-27):

Love is above all the things that humans consider as being good. Divine love is superior in power, and purity above all other human emotions. Those who have the love of God in their hearts live above everything the law forbids not to do. Those who possess the love of God have the highest respect for what is right. The law is not for a born again believer, because they live above the condemnation of the law, by the power of God's love. Such born again saints will seek to please God rather than to outsmart the laws of the land. The law of the land is not for a

saint, but a sinner. If you are a sinner, you will try to find loopholes in the law about tax time.

Love for God can only be expressed when you keep His commandments (St. John 14:15). If you fail to keep God's commandment then you love being a sinner more than you love God. Not anybody who loves God is a sinner, because disobeying God's commandment makes you a sinner. Without the Spirit of God in a man's life, what he thinks is love is lust.

Subject: God Loves The Wicked Person As Well As The Righteous Person:

When you love God, there is no limit to what He can do for you. There is no limit to the power of God. God's power is like His love; it is unrestricted. His love can find the lowest sinner and raise the sinner up to a life of righteousness. God's power can change the heavens and the earth and make them holy habitations for those who were at one time sinners.

Now you must have knowledge of God's love to talk about it, otherwise, you could be saying something that would bring a reproach to God's love. God's love does not lead Him to fight His enemies. God warns those who are enemies to repent of their destructive ways, because it will be by their own ways that they will be defeated. Wicked ways are deceitful to those who are wicked because it brings unnoticeable destruction. The sword of the wicked becomes the judgment of the wicked. Therefore, God warns His enemies to turn from their wicked ways so that their own ways won't destroy them. Now that is love and not hate.

Subject: Your Faith And Obedience Will Carry You Through:

Your initial faith in God will carry you on to the next level of faith, and it will be a continuous process until you are carried from faith to faith into the kingdom. It is by grace that you are saved through faith. Listen to Romans 1:17:

Verse 17 - For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

If your success in faith on the first level was good, it will give you faith to do the next thing, and you will be carried by faith. After God shows you how your faith will cause you to be blessed here on earth, you will find, as you go along, the result is correct according to God's promises. Then, the next thing to do is what God tells you, and let your faith carry you on to the kingdom of heaven.

Subject: Faith Produces Power From The Name Of Jesus:

You can only acquire salvation in one name and that is the name of Jesus. There may be many religious beliefs, teachings, and gods (idols) in the world, but there is only one name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12). Those who are saved are creatures of faith. You are saved by your belief in the name of Jesus; because of your belief, power is given from God to convert your life. You must have confidence in the name of Jesus, because confidence is assurance.

Now you will have a test to prove your faith. A test is for you and not for God. God already knows your faith, but you can't know your faith unless it has been tried. The power of God is incorporated in our faith, and the name of Jesus. When our faith is true, the power in Jesus' name will confirm it.

God wants the name of Jesus magnified on the earth and He will do it through those who have faith in the name. Faith is the victory that caused nature to take a new course. Men are naturally born to be sinners. This happens through nature. When we have faith in God, our faith can cause nature to be reversed, and we can be made sin-free by our faith. Most people don't become saved because they don't have faith that the name of Jesus can make them sin-free.

Subject: Do You Trust God?

As saved people, everything we possess belongs to God, and that includes our lives. We have been bought with a price. God sacrificed His Son that we might be purchased from the law of sin and death. This means we don't belong to ourselves, but to God. When you are the possession of another person, you must obey what he or she tells you to obey.

Now if you don't have much money or property it might be easy to allow God to control your business; but when you come into greater possessions, you might want to make all the decisions yourself, and be willing to relinquish yourself

from God's control. It is easier to trust God when you don't have anything, but when you have a lot you might prefer trusting yourself. You can only trust God when you give Him something to trust Him with.

Subject: We Must Suffer Though We Are Saved:

You might wonder why the will of God is that we have to suffer. In the beginning of man's existence, God forbade man not to do certain things, and if he did what he was commanded not to do, the results would be death. Though death can be sudden and surprising, death can also be a slow process. The day we enter into the world, we begin to die. Many think that their life is beginning when they are born, but the truth is they are beginning to die.

Everybody will be confronted with troubles as they go through life, but disobedience to God produces more troubles. Jesus was sent into the world to teach us that if we obey God's word with an understanding, God will help us in various troubles. Though we must suffer at times, we can be perfect through suffering and get victory over many troubles.

Subject: For A Small Moment God Will Forsake You When You Are Being Tried:

When Christ hung upon the cross from the sixth to the ninth hour, darkness was over the whole earth. God forsook Jesus while He was hanging on the cross. God knew that Jesus could not die as long as He stood by, so for a small moment, God turned His back so that death might finish the job, which was spoken by the prophet Isaiah in 54:7:

Verse 7 - For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee.

Today when a child of God is being tried, God will forsake the child until the test has done what God desires to be done.

Subject: God Said Job Was Perfect:

In the book of Job (Job 1:6), you will find the Lord speaking of a man whom He knew was faithful and obedient. God does not allow anyone to judge us, He knows everybody on the earth.

Now if you are trying to serve God, the devil will come around occasionally to pay you a visit, the devil looks you over when you are claiming to be a representative of the Lord. He listens to you talk and knows a good bit about you. If you have once lived in sin, the devil supervised your deeds and actions. When the devil hears you talk about God, he weighs your words, and will later setup a situation to see if you mean what you are talking about.

Now God gave Job an endorsement that he was perfect, and upright, and eschewed evil. Now Job did not say this about himself, God said it about him. Therefore, the devil set up a situation to make God a liar. You can't make God a liar. If God says a person is perfect and upright, all the devils of hell won't be able to prove that the person is otherwise. Now remember, when you say that nobody can be perfect, keep in mind God said Job was perfect.

Subject: If You Keep God's Commandments He Will Answer Your Prayer:

You may think that God has answered your prayers through the years, but if you have been committing sin and praying, God has not answered. It could be that the devil has fooled you. Listen to St. John 9:31.

Verse 31 - Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshiper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.

This scripture may not settle well with many, but if you consider what it is saying, it will give you a better understanding of God's word. If you contend with this scripture, God will turn you over to accept your own opinion. It is very important that those who want to be saved study The Original King James Version of the Bible, and not accept everything that a preacher teaches from the pulpit that is contrary.

Now there are many prayers offered by Christians and many of them are not answered. The Bible gives the answer. Listen to Psalm 34:15:

Verse 15 - The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.

The Lord watches over a righteous person. A righteous person is one who does not commit sin. God listens to the prayers of a righteous person, but He doesn't hear sinners.

Now churches of today are filled with sinners, even the preachers are sinners. Such preachers tell men and women that they cannot help from violating the law of God. You may not see how it is possible to live without committing sin. When you have a mind that is willing to obey God's command, your eyes will be opened. Your spiritual eyes will be opened, and the things of God will become clear to your understanding.

When God blesses your understanding, your knowledge of God's word will be above the understanding of the average Christian. When God hears your prayer, he will bless the conditions of your life to be above the way that the average Christian lives. You will be able to tell others that you obey the commands that God gives in His word, and He answers your prayer. Now they may tell you that everybody is a sinner, but you will be able to say that God answers your prayer, and the conditions of your life will support your testimony.

Few people realize that God will not hear sinners pray. Why is this? This is because sinners are disobedient to God. What parent rewards a child for being disobedient? Why would God answer a sinner's prayer and a righteous person's prayer? Why would God do for the sinner what he does for the obedient child? It would be very unfair for a parent to reward a good child and a bad child with the same reward. The bad child would see no need to be better. Listen to what God says in St. John 14:15 and 14:

Verse 15 - *If ye love me, keep my commandments.*

Verse 14- *If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it.*

**Subject: God Will Not Hear A Sinner Until A Sinner Hears
God's Reproof:**

There is only one message from God to a sinner, and that is to repent. Repent means to stop committing sin. A sinner must hear God and accept the reproof from God's word. If the sinner fails to give attention to God's reproof, God will laugh at the sinner when he gets into trouble. God will mock a sinner when

his fear comes if the sinner rejects God's reproof. Then when the sinner calls on God in prayer for help, God will not answer, because God does not hear a sinner pray.

When a sinner goes through life day by day doing evil deeds, he should not expect God to come and help him when he has trouble. A sinner must learn that if God is to hear him during a time of trouble, he must hear God.

Subject: You Must Pray With Integrity:

Listen to I John 3:4:

Verse 4 - Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

The president can't put a person in his cabinet if the person is a convicted law breaker neither can God have a person as a member of His family if a person is a sinner. Jesus paid the price for our sins to cleanse us from being sinners. When you accept Jesus Christ into your life, you are no longer a sinner, but a saint. To be a saint means to be separated from a life of sin. You are separated unto the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Now when we become saints the Lord tells us that when we walk in His statutes that He is ready to hear our prayers and keep every promise that He has made to us. If you ask a person to do something for you and you disobey everything they ask you to do, then your request is out of order. If you ask God to bless you with a new car and God asked you to stop drinking liquor and committing fornication, why would you expect God to honor your request and you fail to honor His? You cannot be a servant of God with this attitude. You are without ethics. You are without integrity. Now if you have been doing that which God asked you to do, then you can ask a favor of God, and get what you asked for.

Now there are two kinds of sinners, you have church sinners, and sinners who never knew God. Sinners who don't know God may have learned an erroneous way to pray, thinking that they can have access to the powers of heaven during a crisis in their lives. Such sinners will be disappointed. Then there are church sinners who follow an erroneous religious teaching that is no more effective than those who don't go to church. Neither will be able to get a prayer through to God.

Subject: Blessed Are The Poor In Spirit (Matthew 5:3):

To be poor in spirit means not to be rich in conceit. It means not to possess self-smarts. God does not like folk who think they are smart and know everything. Such people are not likely to submit themselves to the teachings of the word of God and follow God. Conceited people follow themselves, and they lead themselves to hell. Conceited people will have mostly smart talk, and not much profitable actions.

A person who is poor in spirit is humble though they may be very intelligent. You can be very intelligent and know how to lead the greatest military forces on earth, and end-up like Hitler who killed himself. A poor in spirit person has wisdom. Wisdom means to know how to depart from evil. It means to know how to avoid committing adultery, stealing, lying, being malicious, and hating somebody.

When you can avoid these type things, you are wise, though you may not be a rocket scientist. There is not much profit in being smart, and not be able to come to the knowledge of the truth. The wisest person is one who will learn how to get eternal life at the end of their life on earth.

A fool can learn all the knowledge that the world offers and fail to come to the knowledge of the truth, and go to hell at the end of their life on earth. Listen to II Timothy 3:7:

Verse 7 - Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

Subject: The Meek And Lowly In Heart Can Inherit The New Earth:

Today the people of the earth are going directly the opposite of the way that God desires for them to go. In many nations of the earth, the dishonest, unjust, and wicked leaders are ruling as it is in Syria and as it was in Libya. The poor people in such nations are being unjustly murdered and taken advantage of by dictators.

If the people of the earth would seek and obey God's commandments, they will one day live in a world where the least people will inherit the earth. The Bible teaches that the meek will inherit the earth. A meek person is one who is humble and lowly in spirit. Such an individual would be small in social status. They would not be recognized by the people of a nation as being important, which could result to them being treated like the demonstrators on Wall Street. God has

promised such people that if they would repent, and believe the gospel that one day after the earth has been renovated by God they will inherit the earth. St. Matthews 5:5 gives a promise of God to the meek people:

Verse 5 - Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Subject: Perfection Is God In Us:

Before God gives an individual a command to do anything, He has already decided to help that individual carry out the command. God knows beforehand that we can't obey His command unless He helps us. God commands those whom He called to serve Him to be perfect. If a person doesn't believe that he or she can be perfect, then it means that God didn't call the person.

It is your belief that God accounts for righteousness, and not your ability to be righteous. It is not your ability to be perfect that counts, but your belief that you can be perfect that God will work with. God is not against a sinner, but He wants to upgrade their status to a level of righteousness.

Sin will deceive you and cause you to believe that God will answer your prayers even when you don't obey Him. The moment that Abraham believed he could be perfect, and did what God commanded him to do, God accounted it as righteousness. Abraham was perfect before God when he believed he could be perfect. God makes that same promise to anybody that He calls today.

A calling from God is not necessarily to be a preacher, but God calls you out of sin to be saved. It is because of your belief in God that He will help you to carry out and obey His command. Under these conditions, God considers you perfect. God does not look at how many mistakes you make to categorize you as perfect, because He is going to help you to correct your mistakes. When you accept God's corrections in your life, perfection will be God in you.

The help that God gives us after He calls us is an expression of his love, favor, and grace. We are saved by grace and not by anything that we could do. It is all God's work in us.

Subject: Mistakes Are Not Sins:

The moment that you say you believe that you can live above sin and are willing to start to do so, God justifies you. Salvation is not a long drawn out

process; it goes to work the moment you make up in your mind that you want to obey God. No matter how vile a sinner you have been, God counts your faith in Him as righteousness. When a teacher has a student who believes in what she is teaching, she has confidence that the student will be successful. God can see these potentials in a person before He saves the person, and will save the person according to the potentials. God does not charge a person for mistakes, if you confess your belief in Him that He can make you perfect. God knows ahead of time that when He shows you that you've done something wrong, you will correct it.

When you correct mistakes with the intention of not making the same mistake again, you have reached perfection. Now you would not have reached perfection by being free of fallacies, but by being willing to correct your mistake with no intentions to make the mistake again. God knows the hearts of people. He knows intent from mistakes. Mistakes are not sins and are not charged by God against you. God accounts you as a righteous person because you believe in His power to keep you doing right.

Subject: The Righteousness Which Is Of Faith:

God requires the maximum level of good spiritual conduct for a person to be saved. This level is to be perfect just as God is perfect (Matthew 5:48). God knows that humans are not able to reach this level of spirituality with limited human abilities, so God decided to help human beings by occupying their lives (St. John 14: 23).

When a person is living a life of perfection, actually it is God in them living the life of perfection. This means they would be found in Christ, and God found in them not having their own righteousness, but the righteousness, which is of faith. Listen to Philippians 3:9:

Verse 9 - And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

Subject: God Will Always Make A Way For The Righteous:

If we as a nation fail to turn our hearts to God, the terrors of this age will consume us. We are the chosen nation of the Gentiles and we are not trusting in God, but money. When we trust in money and fail to trust in God, then money will become our God. When money becomes our God, folk will be going to the bank to worship rather than the church.

When you trust money, greed will overtake you and bring you down to shame as it did Judas Iscariot. If some of us as individuals hold on to the name of Jesus with a pure heart, God will never allow His people who love and trust Him to go down with the wicked. God will always provide a way of deliverance for the obedient person.

Subject: Obey God and Prosper:

God keeps a record of everything that is done in His name. People may wonder how God can know all that is done in the earth by billions of people that live on the earth. God is a very powerful God; His power is infinite. It is beyond measure. There are no limitations on God's ability to do things. God in His word reveals a course of life for the people of the earth to follow. If only one person decides to follow the course, then that one person will be blessed.

Blessings are all along the way on the course that God sets. As the man travels the course that God sets, everything he needs and many things he desires will be there for him. It is impossible to obey God and not to be blessed. Obedience to God's word is living in the counsel of godliness. When a person delights in the counsel of godliness, they will prosper in all that they do. Listen to Psalm 1:1-3:

Verse 1 - Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

Verse 2 - But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

Verse 3 - And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.

Subject: Honor God And He Will Bless You:

Now God has a plan for the wicked person. As the wicked person starts out in life, they will reap according to their sins. Natural life for humans is just like seeds that are planted in the earth. If you plant diseased or corrupt seeds, you get corrupt fruit. All nature tells us how God does things. Whatever is planted or sowed determines what the return will be. The return always gives more than what was sowed. If man plants evil deeds in life, he will get evil returns many times more than the deeds that he sowed. If such a person is kind in some things, he will receive some blessings in the things that he is kind in.

When you become saved your reward in life is not necessarily given by what you can earn on a job. God rewards you based upon how you obey His commandments. God is a just God, a God of equity. If you get on the right course that He sets, you will receive blessings from God.

God records everything that you do. When you do good deeds, God has every deed on record. He does not forget anything. Listen to Malachi 3:16.

Verse 16 - Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feareth the Lord, and that thought upon his name:

God records everything. It doesn't matter how many people are on the earth, God has a record of everything they do. God records every prayer and every word. Those who love God will meet together often to invoke God's blessings upon them. If you honor God, He will do most everything for you.

Even politicians will reward those who honor them, how much more will the great God of the universe do for those who honor Him. You can only honor God when you obey His commandments. When you go to a church assembly, with a life of obedience to God, to worship with others that obey God, God makes a record of your worship services. When you pray to God for assistance or something you need, He looks at your record of obedience, and grants you what you ask for.



CHAPTER IV
THE HOLY SPIRIT

Subject: It Is Very Important That You Are Filled With The Holy Spirit When Jesus Returns:

When an evangelist comes to your town preaching the gospel of salvation, it is necessary that the evangelist have a follow-through program, if he is truly sent by God. Although an evangelist maybe preaching the truth, and giving it to the people with force and effect to call men and women to repentance, he must not fail to teach them, through a follow-up program, the importance of them receiving the Holy Ghost. When this knowledge is kept from people, they will not know whether there is any Holy Ghost or not.

Now when John the Baptist came prior to Jesus' ministry reproving a world of sin, He didn't fail to tell the people who repented and were baptized that there cometh one after me who shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire.

To receive the Holy Ghost is not religious foolishness such as speaking in unknown tongues, foaming at the mouth, falling out, and beating the devil out of a person in shameful exhibitions of religious ignorance. Receiving the Holy Ghost is not a demonstration to appeal to the emotions of those who are ignorant.

God's Spirit is given to you to help you to overcome the works of the flesh and sinful desires. The works of the Holy Spirit should be revealed in your personal life by a desire to live righteously. You should lose your desire to commit sin, and take on a desire to live righteously.

The fire of the Holy Spirit will consume your previous desires to practice sins, such as adultery, fornication, idolatry, liquor drinking, cigarette smoking, lying, stealing, hatred, envy, strife, malice, and any related carnal ways. Later the Holy Spirit will manifest the fruit of the Spirit such as love, peace, joy, patience, humility, temperance, charity, meekness, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness and faith (Galatians 5:22-23).

It is very important to learn the works of the Holy Spirit and to be able to see them in your life, because without the Spirit of God in your life you are not God's child and are not saved. You are only saved when you are filled with God's Spirit. The Spirit of God is what gives you the new birth in Christ, and adopts you into God's family. If you don't have God's Spirit on the day the Lord returns, you will be rejected and left behind with the unsaved world. Listen to Romans 8: 9-11:

Verse 9 - But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit,
if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you.
Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ,
he is none of his.

Verse 10 - And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

When you have the Spirit of God, your body is dead to the desires to commit sin because a desire to live righteous will be the controlling force.

Verse 11 - But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

Subject: The Spirit Of God:

You cannot take in the word of God without being blessed. The next world that we are going to live in will be a spiritual world. There are two kinds of spirits, there is the Spirit of God and the spirit of the devil. Those who leave this world with the Spirit of God will live in heaven when this world ends. Those who live in this world with the spirit of the devil will live in hell when this world ends.

You get the Spirit of God by repenting and obeying God's word. We are born with the spirit of the devil, because Adam passed it down to us. Our first life is one of sin, because we were born in sin; the second life can be one of righteousness if we are born again of a righteous spirit.

The Spirit of God moves and works in a mysterious way. You cannot tell where it comes from or where it goes, but when it pays you a visit, it leaves you with a sin-free life. The Spirit of God has power to do anything. It has the ability to produce new life when things are dead, as in the spring of the year when plants come alive. When we are dead in our sins, it can revive us in righteousness to live sin-free. The Spirit of God can reverse your natural desires that were sinful to desires that are righteous. Its ability to do things far surpasses scientific knowledge.

When men of the earth try to figure out the power of God's Spirit, they will be lost in confusion. You cannot learn about the Spirit of God with human smarts or intelligence. You can only learn about the Spirit of God through humility. When you have a desire to be humble and submissive to God, the Spirit of God will teach you about God. It will first come into your life and change your human make up to a holy state of existence. As you continue to go along in life, it will teach you about God and His plans for those who are saved. It will show you how

your old life of sin was damnable and separated you from God. It will unite you with God according to the teachings of Jesus Christ. You will not learn a lot about the Spirit of God because it will not teach of itself, but it will teach what Christ has taught in His gospels.

The Spirit of God will also change your biological nature, so that your desires will no longer lead you to sinful and worldly pleasures. It will set a new nature in you that will desire to please God. You will get pleasure out of obeying and pleasing God, similar to the way that you got pleasure out of your previous sinful life. The Spirit will accompany you in all of your endeavors to assist and help you for the remainder of your life on earth. At the end of your life on earth whether you are dead or living, the Spirit of God will give you a new body and take you to meet Jesus in the first resurrection.

Subject: The Spirit Brings Christ Alive In Your Life:

God, who rules nature, moved out with nothing but His word, made it flesh, and sent it down to the earth in the person of Jesus Christ. Jesus lived among the people for thirty-three years, was killed, and He arose on the third day by the power of the Holy Spirit. The same God who raises the sun every morning had no trouble raising Jesus from the grave. If we believe in Jesus' gospel, God can, by His Spirit, raise up a new creature in our lives. Before Jesus left this earth, He said I am going to send you the promise of the Father, which is the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the words that I have taught. The Spirit of God brings to pass in your life whatever God's word says to you when you believe the word of God.

Something happens to people who believe the word of God. Nothing else but their belief in the word of God can cause them to turn their lives around completely. The word of God is the power of God unto salvation for those that believe. When you are filled with the Holy Spirit, it gives you life just as the blood in your body gives you life. The blood in your body gives you physical life, but the Holy Spirit gets into your soul and gives you a righteous, spiritual life. Blood causes you to live, but the Holy Spirit causes Christ to live in you.

Subject: What Is Life By The Power Of The Holy Spirit?

When you are born again, you are filled with the Holy Spirit. This means the Holy Spirit gets into your biological make-up. Just as you have human blood

in your veins, the Spirit of God will be running through your veins also. Your human blood will give life to your organs; but the Spirit will give righteous desires to your body members. Your body's organs are your heart, lungs, liver and kidneys, and your body members are your hands, arms, feet, head, and private parts. When the Holy Spirit is in your life, it will cause your body members to have righteous desires. Your hands will desire to do honest deeds helping other people who are in need. Your feet will take you to the correct home address to be with your wife or husband. Your tongue will say nice things and your private members of your body will only desire to have sex with your spouse.

This is the way life by the Holy Spirit works in a new creature in Christ. You don't just go to some church when you are receiving life by the Holy Spirit. You will go right.

Subject: The Joy Of The Holy Ghost:

Life in the Lord is joy, peace, and happiness. Not everybody who is breathing is living. Unless you have life in Christ, you just exist. When you believe and obey the word of God you are living. You don't just live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. When you haven't been born again, you don't have a spiritual life with Christ; you have a physical life with the devil. The devil is the administrator over the lives of everybody who has not been born again, and the devil doesn't give anybody joy. The devil gives you liquor and dope, which is false joy that leads to a bitter end.

When you are born again, you receive joy in the Holy Ghost. When you get joy in the Holy Ghost, it is not subject to disruption by the devil who gives false joy. When you get joy in the Holy Ghost, the Lord brings you up from the low life of drugs and alcoholic beverages, and your faith and joy will increase through the years.

Subject: True Praises Versus False Praises:

When you praise God of a truth, the Spirit of God initiates such praises. When the Spirit of God causes you to praise God, the Spirit also brings material or financial blessings to your life from God. The Spirit of God will not stimulate you to praise God and allow you to be destitute of material needs. If such praises are taking place in your life, leaving you in a state of hardship, such praises are not

being brought to you by the Spirit of God. It would be a deceitful trick of the devil. This would happen in the life of a person who practices sin, and is church oriented. True praises to God by the Spirit of God will only come to a person whose life is sin-free and it will be followed by material blessings from God.

Subject: True Joy:

When you sing songs of praises to God, it will give you true joy if your life is sin-free. Now people in the world think they have joy singing jazz and songs set to rhythms that appeal to the emotions, but they get only false joy. False joy makes you feel good emotionally but it has no effect upon the actual needs of your life and your spiritual conduct.

You can have false joy with music in a church or in a jazz concert and smoke crack cocaine, drink liquor at the same time. False joy has nothing to do with your salvation. True lasting joy comes by the Holy Spirit to the life of the person that the Holy Spirit has given the new birth in Christ. Lasting joy comes to the pure in heart who sings the praises of God, and whose life does not cause their praises to make a mockery of God.

Subject: Functions And Mission Of The Holy Spirit:

Most people may know a lot about the internet, and about what is going on in the world. Probably the most important thing that people need to know about that they are not aware of is the functions and mission of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is the third person in the Trinity. It is the third part of God, and Jesus is the second part. The Holy Spirit is invisible and has immeasurable power; it can do anything. Its power is greater than all the forces of nature. It can control the entire universe. It is called the Holy Spirit because it is holy. This means that its mission is directed by the righteousness of God to help anybody who wants to be holy. The Holy Spirit never teaches anything about itself. It only teaches the gospel of Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit has more intelligence than modern science could dream of.

In order to understand more about the Holy Spirit, you must be filled with it. You must be born again of the Holy Spirit. Your first birth was of your parents, but when you are born of the Holy Spirit, you are born of God. When you are filled with the Holy Spirit, it changes everything about you. It changes your

desires, your nature, your way of thinking, and it gives you new purposes. All such purposes are centered on pleasing God. Now the Holy Spirit gives you the ability to obey God. Without the Holy Spirit, you cannot obey most things that God's word teaches.

The Holy Spirit also blesses you with things you need in life. It will give you an occupation and increase your ability to excel at what you do. The Holy Spirit is an amazing power and will do everything you need in life so that you will be pleasing to God. The Holy Spirit represents guidance, which means it will direct you through life for the remainder of your life on earth. It will direct you with an understanding of how to do things for your best interest, and the interest of others that you may be assisting.

The Holy Spirit will help to simplify the teachings of God's word so that you can apply it to your life, and prosper. It will increase your intelligence in things that you need to know more about. The Holy Spirit represents grace to mankind, which means it was commissioned by God to bring us help that we might know how to please God and how to be saved.

We were born in sin and shaped in iniquity; when the Holy Spirit indwells our lives, it reverses our nature to be sin-free. When this process takes place, we are excused from all of our transgressions on one condition, that we go in peace and sin no more.

Subject: When You Are Filled With The Holy Spirit You Become A Part Of God:

When God fills you with His Holy Spirit, you become a part of God. God will be living in you. If someone were to say something about you that wasn't so nice, they would be talking about God. When God lives in you, your life is not your own. You would have then become one with God. Your movements, ambitions, desires, and purposes in your life will be motivated by the Spirit of God. It might feel like such things in your life are coming from you, but they would be coming from the Spirit of God that is in you.

When you are filled with the Spirit of God, it works so closely with the human make-up that it will be difficult to make the distinction between the two. When God desires that you do something for Him, you will think such desires are your desires. You won't be able to tell your life from God's life. When God speaks to you, He will speak to you in your mind by means of reasoning and common sense. You will very plainly be able to identify God in your life, by comparing your unsaved life with your saved life. It will be such a contrast in the

two lives that you will be convinced, without a doubt, that there is a God in heaven who also occupies your life on earth.

Subject: The Holy Spirit Will Only Exalt Jesus In You:

When you get the Holy Spirit, it will never lead you to talk about self, but you will talk about Christ in your life because you will no longer be the same person; Christ will be living in you. Your old life will be crucified by the fire of the Holy Spirit. This will be Holy fire ordained by God to burn up the sinful nature, which will not be painful, but a relief.

Your test and trials will follow your conversion to righteousness to help keep you strong, and at the same time keep the carnal nature weak and under subjection to the Spirit of God. As you acquire victory over the carnal nature, you will exalt yourself under no conditions, but you will exalt Christ. The Holy Spirit was sent to the earth to bear witness of Jesus, and if you have it, you will exalt Jesus rather than yourself. Whatever the Spirit does through you, it will be done to the glory of Jesus and God.

Subject: The Intercessor Between Man And God:

Now the Spirit of God is the power of God. All God has to do is speak, and the Spirit of God can bring to pass whatever God desires. The Spirit and word of God work together to do God's will. When it was God's will that King Solomon be the richest man that ever lived, the Spirit of God moved upon kings and rulers of neighboring countries around Israel to bring King Solomon wealth like no man has ever possessed.

The Spirit of God constantly moves upon the universe waiting for the command of God. When the Spirit of God comes into a person's life, they will be born again. You can only be born again when the Spirit of God indwells you. When this happens, the Spirit of God will bring God's holy ways into your life. You will make a change in your way of living from carnality to holiness.

When a person hears and believes the Word of God, they will attract the Holy Spirit, which will give them a permanent conversion from a sinful state to a sin-free state of living. The Holy Spirit will then become a counselor, teacher, and intercessor between the person and God. It will establish a line of communication between God and the person that it has indwelled.

Subject: Nobody Who Has God's Spirit Is Ordinary:

When we were alienated from God and knew not God, His mercy brought us into a covenant, or an agreement with Him. We may break our part of the agreement, but God will never do that because He is rich in mercy. God loved us even when we were living contrary to His way. Through Christ, we were quickened, made alive, and brought together by our faith in Christ. Not anything that we possessed made us worthy of this privilege, but by grace, we were saved.

God has by the power of His Holy Spirit given everyone who believed in the teachings of Jesus Christ the same mind and the same spirit. Therefore, regardless of what race or ethnic group we come from, when we have God's Spirit, we will love one another. We will see faithfulness when we meet one another. When you have the Spirit of God, you will recognize God's Spirit in another person whenever you see the person. You will not look upon the person as being an ordinary person. Nobody who has God's Spirit can be ordinary.

Subject: God Can Reach You By Means Of Your Conscience:

We should take the teachings of the Bible very seriously. Everything that was spoken by those men whom the Holy Ghost overshadowed and caused to speak is being fulfilled in our day. The scriptures teach us plainly that the fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. You cannot obtain an understanding from God until you begin to fear God, not that He will destroy you, but fear that your misdirection in life will cause you to destroy yourself.

Without God's leadership through life, you should fear that your own discretion would lead you to destruction. God warns and tells you what the result will be of that which you do that is contrary to His instructions. There is only one source of help for man and that is the Spirit of God, better known as the Holy Ghost.

When you are filled and overshadowed with the Holy Ghost, you have the protection from the thing that will destroy you and that is sin. The Holy Ghost lifts up a standard against the things that will destroy you. It directs you through life living above the entrapments of sinful snares. The Holy Ghost is the administration of God's church. God's church means God's people. Such people don't have to be a part of some organized secular group that meets in an assembly on Sunday mornings. God's church is a people who obey Him. God joins them together in one spirit and one body no matter where they may be located. This is true for all people who accept the word of God.

God does not trust a preacher to carry His word to men and women of the earth. God deals with them through their consciences. The Spirit of God condemns the consciences of those who commit wrong deeds, whether it is in the jungles of Africa or some village in China.

**Subject: You Are A Member Of The Church That You Obey
The Rules Of:**

God gets His church out of all of the churches, and if you obey the word of God, you are a member of God's church. If you don't obey God's word, you are only a member of your local community church, and there is no record in heaven with your name on it. You can only get your name in the book of life when you obey God's word.

You can only be a member of the organization that you support and follow the rules of. God has ordained that born again saints live according to His word, and that gives them a membership in His church. God gives His Spirit to those who obey His word. In the body of Christ, there is only one Lord, one Spirit, one faith and one baptism.

Man has a desperate need of help to live a righteous life, so God seeing this need gives man His Spirit. The only qualification for receiving God's Spirit is to be willing to repent of your sins and obey God. You don't have to be a highly educated person to receive God's Spirit. You simply need sense enough to want to do right. God will then give you wisdom to learn the traps of evil, and the advantages of living righteous.

CHAPTER V

THE IMPORTANCE OF BEING BORN AGAIN

Subject: Are You Saved?

You want to learn the correct information about being saved, before you die. It is good to be fully informed about being saved while you are still living. God does not offer a plan to be saved after you die. The plan of salvation is only for the living.

The thing that determines whether you are saved or not is that, you begin to live a righteous life the day you repented. When you repented with a sincere heart, God also granted you repentance from heaven to help you. From the day of your repentance to this present day, there should have been a conversion in your life from a life of sin to a life of righteousness. If such a conversion has been continuous, it means that God gave you the Holy Ghost to help you. You are then filled with the Holy Spirit. This means you have been born again.

The new birth was brought about by the Holy Spirit implanting the knowledge of the word of God in your life giving you power to activate the word. There should be a test from time to time to try your conversion to see if you are overpowered by temptations to return to a life of sin. If you were able to overcome and maintain your righteous life, this means that God is with you and you are saved of a truth. God, by the power of His Holy Spirit, will then make you steadfast and unmovable from your new life in Christ that is sin-free. The temptations and testing will not end; they will be a continuous part of your salvation as long as you live on the earth in a human body.

Subject: Your Experiences In Christ Will Substantiate Your Testimony:

God sent Jesus into the world that you and I might be born again. Now you know that you have been born the first time because you are living here in this world. When you know that you have lived a life of sin after you were born the first time, you acquired this knowledge when you learned what sins are. So the way you know that you have been born again is when you live a life free from sin.

Now the way that you will know the things you learn are true is when you see them happen, or experience them taking place in your life. So then, the way that you will know that you have been born again is when you learn what the Bible teaches about the new birth, and later it happened in your life.

The new birth in your life substantiated what the Bible taught concerning the new birth. When this happens, nobody will be able to convince you that you can't live free from sin in this present world; your life will make them a liar. You will

stand behind your testimony that you are living free from sin based upon what you have experienced.

**Subject: The Word Of God Can Be Fulfilled In Your Life
If You Receive It:**

If a person is not born again, the teachings of the word of God will oppose their way of thinking on most issues. If they are born again, they will find that the devil will oppose them as they obey the word of God. When born again believers hide the word of God in their hearts, they will not sin against the word of God. They will learn that the word of God is a lamp unto their feet, and a light unto their path.

Jesus demonstrated the fact that the word of God can be fulfilled in your life if you set your heart to obey it. Jesus is the word made flesh, and just as it occupied His body, it can occupy our bodies.

**Subject: That Which Is Born Of Flesh Is Flesh And That Which
Is Born Of Spirit Is Spirit (St. John 3:6):**

You cannot flatter God by speaking with words of praises living a life of sin. God only accepts words of praises from a sin-free life. A sin-free life praises God more than words. The least amount of words and knowledge that you use, the easier it is to learn from God. A lot of knowledge of worldly things will confuse you when you hear the word of God.

When Nicodemus went to Jesus, Jesus knew that the only understanding that Nicodemus had about birth was the delivery of a child by the mother at the end of pregnancy. With this understanding about a fleshly birth, Nicodemus could grasp the spiritual without difficulty. Jesus went on to make the comparison that a spiritual birth means to be produced from a spiritual source, whereas a fleshly birth of your mother's womb is produced from a fleshly source.

Spiritual things are righteous qualities that come from God. Fleshly things are unrighteous or sinful qualities that come from humans. Spiritual sources of production produce a person that will live a sin-free life, whereas fleshly sources produce a person that will live a sinful life. This is what Jesus was explaining to Nicodemus in St. John 3:6:

Verse 6 - *That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*

When you are born of the flesh, you are sinful, because a fleshly birth can only produce an ungodly, carnal, or sinful nature without the assistance of the Spirit. Only the Spirit of God can produce a person with a holy, righteous, or sin-free nature. Such a birth is the second birth that Jesus is teaching Nicodemus about, and it can only come from God.

When you are born of God, you are not born inheriting a nature of sin. You can only inherit a nature of righteousness from God, which is not defiled by the nature of sin. Listen to I Peter 1:3-4:

Verse 3 - Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Verse 4 - To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

Subject: When You Are Born Again The Fruit Of The Spirit Will Have Victory Over The Works Of The Flesh:

When you are born again, your new character will never direct you into the way of envy, hate, malice, or strife. These carnal ways are the enemies of a righteous person's new character. You will clearly be able to see that such iniquities are no longer playing a part in your new life.

The love of God will abide in your life so strongly that your former iniquities will find no place to reside in your heart. These things will be banned from your heart by the fruit of the Holy Spirit. The fruit of the Spirit will be more powerful than any previous elements of sin would be able to stand. Such devices of the devil will be weakened to the extent that they will have no active function in your life (Ephesians 6:13-17).

Sinful elements will be inactive and powerless against the fruit of the Spirit in your heart. The fruit of the Spirit will have such a stronghold in your heart that no foreign spiritual invaders will be able to come in again. Either the fruit of the Spirit will have victory (Galatians 5:22-23) or the works of the flesh (Galatians 5:19-21).

Subject: Is Your Heart Right With God?

At the time of Christ's next appearance on the earth, heaven and earth will be united when a New Jerusalem will be established as the capitol of the new kingdom. In this new kingdom, the will of God will be done in earth as it is in heaven in answer to the prayer that Jesus prayed.

When we are born of the Holy Spirit, we are being made ready to be in full accord with heaven, and God's will, will be done in us as it is done in the angels in heaven. If your heart is right with God, you can be made ready for the beautiful plan that He has.

Subject: We Must Be Born Again After The Pattern Of Jesus' Birth:

Now there are some who believe in God alone, they do not accept the immaculate conception of the Son of God or the virgin birth of Jesus. This is due primarily to the fact that they have a limited religious teaching that was presented by man and not by God. Still there are others who don't know whether there be a Holy Ghost or not. Though they may have heard of the Holy Ghost, they have no knowledge of its purpose, and the works that it does to bring salvation to man.

It is only by the power of the Holy Spirit that you can receive salvation. The Holy Spirit is what gives the new birth. When you are born again, you are born of the Spirit of God, which implants the word of God in your mind. After this implantation is done, the Spirit of God will give you guidance, assistance, strength, knowledge and a righteous nature for the remainder of your life on earth. The Spirit of God will only teach you knowledge of Jesus' gospel.

The Spirit of God brings the grace of God into your life. Initially the nation of Israel was given the Law of Moses to be saved by, but the law was harsh, unfair, and so exacting that it made no allowances for ignorance. When the gentiles were ignorant of certain statues in the law, they came under condemnation. God who desired that the gentiles be saved as well as Jews, made further provisions for salvation to be available for all under grace.

Grace is administered to the earth in Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit. To make grace to be more effective, God incarnated Himself in a body called Jesus. God put His word in the mind of Mary who was a virgin. Then He changed the course of nature, and threw in reverse the way man should come into this world, which was initially by cohabitation. God allowed the Holy Spirit to cause the woman to conceive and bring forth a child. He called His name Jesus,

for He was to represent grace. So God has arranged that we can be born again by the same method which the Holy Spirit conceived Jesus. When you are born again of the Holy Spirit you will have conceived a holy birth just as Jesus received a holy birth of the Virgin Mary.

No sin was a part of Jesus' holy birth, which equipped His presentation of salvation to the world to be qualified to save all who received Him with a sin-free new birth by the same power of the Holy Spirit that conceived Him.

When you are born again, you are born after the example of Jesus' birth of a virgin; which means your second birth should be holy, undefiled, pure, and sin-free. Any experience of a new birth that is otherwise is not of the Holy Spirit.

Subject: You Can Only Have A Spiritual Relationship With God:

When you are born again, the spiritual nature of God controls your life keeping you from doing wrong. At such time, you are empowered by the Spirit of God to live according to the nature of God. God's nature is holy, which means separate from sin. When you are in the sinful state, you don't have access to God. You can only have access to God by the Spirit of God. The Spirit of God must first give you the spiritual birth before you can have a spiritual fellowship with God. All relations with God must be spiritual. For this cause, God will prepare a minister filled with His Spirit and send the minister to teach what is required to have a relationship with God.

When you are born again of the Spirit of God, a part of God lives in you. That part establishes a line of communication between you and God. This allows you to have an acceptable relationship with God. You can only have a relationship with God by means of His Spirit that must give you the new birth.

Subject: Spiritual Food Is The Word Of God:

When you acquire an understanding of God's plan, you will be a happy person. Most people are not truly happy because they don't understand God's plan that would be for their benefit. Therefore, they seek worldly things to make them happy, which does not last. When you believe the word of God, something happens to you. Your belief in the word of God can cause your life to turn completely around.

The word of God is the power of God that is activated by the Holy Spirit when a person believes it. You may be a member of a church, which doesn't have to mean a thing. To be a member of the body of Christ is to be adopted into the family of God by the Holy Spirit.

When the Spirit of God adopts you into the family of God, it qualifies you as a family member by giving you a new attitude, holy conduct, and a higher level of righteous living than you had in your first family. The family of God is a spiritual family, which administers righteousness to its members. When you are in a spiritual family, your conduct and ways of living will become spiritual.

In the family of God, when you become spiritual, you will not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God. Those who don't live by spiritual food as well as bread will be dead spiritually but alive physically. In order to live spiritually, you must be adopted into a spiritual family and be given spiritual food, which is the word of God.

Subject: The Second Birth Is A Spiritual Birth:

You will have to experience a second birth to be saved. The second birth is not of the flesh, but of the Spirit. You won't know or see how the birth of the Spirit is brought to you. You can look at your parents and see how your fleshly birth was produced, but spiritual things are not visible, though you can see evidence that they took place. Jesus used the example of how the wind blows to explain a spiritual birth in St. John 3:7-8:

Verse 7 - *Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.*

Verse 8 - *The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest The sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.*

He taught that the wind blows where you hear it, but you can't see it. You don't know where it comes from or where it goes. Evidence that the Spirit of God has given you the second birth is that your life will be changed from a life of sinful practices to a life of righteous living.

Subject: Law Enforcement Versus Love Encouragement:

In the kingdom of heaven, there will be no more laws to control the actions of men; there will be only love. Where love is dominant, no laws are needed, because love is more powerful than laws. When you are born again, you are inspired by the Holy Spirit to serve, encourage, and live at peace with your fellow-man. Spirit filled people of God do not need law enforcement, because they have love encouragement that inspires them to please God. When the Spirit of God gives you the new birth, you are then partaker of God's holiness that inspires you to obey and to please God.

Subject: A Spiritual Washing:

Jesus' blood that was spilled on Calvary was spiritual blood, which means it had spiritual power. When a person is saved by the blood of Jesus Christ, they receive spiritual power by the Holy Spirit, which changes their lives spiritually. Spiritual things have to do with morals or right and wrong. When you receive a washing from the blood of Jesus Christ, you will receive a spiritual washing. This is called a washing of regeneration. This means the sinful nature that you were born with would have been washed by the blood of Jesus Christ to make you spiritually clean.

Subject: The Water And Blood And The Spirit:

When you have accepted the death of Jesus, you will be saved. The blood of Jesus Christ that was shed on Calvary opened the fountain in the house of David for sin and uncleanness, and anyone by faith can plunge beneath that blood and they can be saved from eternal destruction.

The fountain that King David had in his house was a symbol of the redeeming power that would save us from sin. The fountain produced water during David's day and later blood was added to wash away all sin. Today those who are saved are saved by water and blood. Water initiated the cleansing power and the blood of Jesus completed the process. Later the Holy Spirit was given to bear witness to what the water and the blood initiated. Listen to I John 5:6.

Verse 6 - This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

Subject: The Birth Of Jesus Was On This Wise:

The birth of Jesus was prophesied hundreds of years before he was born. When God wants the world to know about something He gives the world plenty of notice. Jesus' birth was first revealed to a prophet who was called an eagle-eye prophet, because of his ability to see far ahead. Isaiah made a long-range prophecy concerning Jesus' birth. A long-range-prophecy gives different generations of people a chance to hear about the event. Listen to Isaiah's prophecy, Isaiah 7:14.

Verse 14 - ...a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel (which being interpreted is God with us).

The world was in such bad shape because of sin, that God felt so sorry for us, and He knew the only way we could get help was that He would have to come to the earth to be with us, and show us how to get out of the sinful state that Adam put us in.

So the prophecy of Isaiah came to pass. God gave three witnesses concerning the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, God gave the Angel Gabriel, Joseph, and Mary. Gabriel brought a message to Mary from God, and nine months later Jesus was born. When God sends a message, it carries the power of fulfillment. This means it will surely come to pass at an appointed time.

Find the prophet of your time of living, and learn his messages, and you will learn what God is going to do. Isaiah proved this to the world. The messages from God's prophet will surely come to pass. The messages from God's prophet will not be orthodox, or like what the average preacher is preaching today. It may sound unusual, but it will surely come to pass.

Now St. Matthew followed through with Isaiah's prophecy. Listen to how unusual the prophecy was presented to the people of St. Matthew's day, about seven hundred years after Isaiah prophesied. Listen to St. Matthews 1:18.

Verse 18 - Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise:
When as his mother Mary was espoused to Joseph,

before they came together, she was found with child
of the Holy Ghost.

Now most people of today accept this passage of scripture, but they accept it very loosely. The Holy birth of Jesus' conception by the Holy Ghost is the same pattern and process by which those who are saved today must be born again. The Holy Ghost, which conceived Jesus in the womb of Mary, must conceive the teachings of His word in the minds of those who are saved. Understand that Jesus was the word of God sent from heaven. The message concerning the word of God was brought to Mary by Gabriel. When Mary received the word of God the conception of the word of God took place in her womb, and Jesus became the word of God made flesh.

This process happened in this manner because this was the way God wanted His word to occupy humans in the flesh and blood bodies. As Jesus went to minister to the people of His day, He went forth in a flesh and blood body carrying the word of God, defying sin that was in the flesh. When we receive Jesus Christ into our lives the word of God will implant itself in our minds by the power of the Holy Spirit defying sin that at one time had occupied our flesh and blood bodies. We would then be able to live a sin-free life by the power of the Holy Ghost.

**Subject: You Must Be Born Again Of The Water And Of
The Spirit:**

It will be impossible for mature humans above the age of seven (7) years that are not saved to enter into the kingdom of heaven. This is simply because we were born from a seed that produced sinners. Adam was the first man created by God that chose to take on the nature of sin, after which all humans that were born, were born, from a seed that produced sinners.

Humans do not possess power to change the nature of their conception. This means whether we desire to be sinners or not, our conception gives us no alternatives on the matter. When Adam's first son was born, he became a murderer. It was Cain's nature to be a murderer, and he had no power against such a curse. The only solution to being born a sinner is that there must be another birth given to man that would have power to replace the nature and curse of the first birth.

God sent Jesus to the earth with the solution. The solution was presented to a man named Nicodemus. Jesus taught Nicodemus that the formula for replacing the nature to commit sin includes two things that must happen in order that a person can be born again. Those two things were that they must experience the conception of a new birth by the power that God has in the water and the Spirit. They must be born again being conceived by the water and the Holy Spirit. These two holy means from heaven carry power to replace the sinful nature that Adam put into the life cycle of human conception.

Being born of the water is an open testimony of what the Holy Spirit has done in the person's life. It is the Spirit that actually gives life to the person who repented of their sins and was baptized as a testimony of what they experienced by the Holy Spirit. Listen to St. John 6:63.

Verse 63 - *It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life.*

Subject: The Baptism Of Water And The Spirit (St. John 3:3-5):

When the gospel of Jesus Christ is being taught to people of this day, it should be taught using examples and parables with a moral that will simplify the point for the people to understand. It should be easy for the listeners to grasp the spiritual lesson because the parable should be on a subject that they are familiar with.

The most common thing known by all men is being born and being buried. This is why God ordained that the important thing for a person's salvation is to be born again. Everybody is familiar with being born the first time, so with this knowledge, the listeners can be taught what is required to get into the kingdom of heaven. Now God knows that the only understanding we have about birth is the delivery of a child by its mother at the end of pregnancy. This is all God wants us to know. When you know too much, it becomes difficult to comprehend spiritual knowledge. With just the basic knowledge of childbirth, you can grasp the spiritual lesson without difficulty.

Now when Jesus is teaching that "you must be born again" in St. John 3:3, He is not making reference to entering your mother's womb the second time, but the second birth, which is a spiritual birth. The baptism of water helps to explain this birth. It is a symbol of the second birth. You are physically taken down under

the water, leaving your carnal or sinful nature in the water just as Christ left his old body on Calvary after He was crucified.

When Christ was resurrected, He took on a new glorified body, and when we are brought up from the water, we are demonstrating that we have taken on a new spiritual nature that is sin-free. All of this happened to us during the process of the new birth that other people could not see. So when we are born again, we must if possible be baptized in water as a demonstration and witness to what happened in our lives that was not visible. That is why we are baptized of the water and the Spirit. The Spirit actually changes us, and the baptism of water is a visible explanation of what we experienced by the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Subject: A Chosen Generation:

We can repent of sins that we commit physically such as adultery and fornication, but by our own human efforts, we cannot get sin out of our lives. Sin is in the nature of humans; it is called iniquity. Iniquity means that we were conceived with the very nature to commit sin.

Tomatoes have the nature of tomatoes in its flavor, and nothing else has this flavor but tomatoes. You cannot take the flavor of tomatoes and put it in an apple. In order to remove iniquity from our nature it must be done by a power and process that is greater than the power and process that put it into our nature. This process requires a replacement of the human nature. It can be done only by a process of regeneration by the Holy Spirit of God.

You are not saved from sin unless your nature to commit sin has been replaced. When the process of regeneration takes place, it replaces the human nature with the divine nature of God. Only the nature of God can replace the nature to commit sin. The Holy Spirit upgrades the nature of humans to a higher level of desire that puts such humans in a holy generation, removing them from the generation of human conception that they received from their parents. Such people then become a holy nation, born again into a generation of royal priesthood, which is of God. They are then placed into a chosen generation by God. Listen to I Peter 2:9:

Verse 9 - But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should
shew forth the praises of him who hath called
you out of darkness into his marvelous light:

When you are born again, you will experience the renewing of the Holy Ghost that will upgrade the desires of the human nature from a sinful level to a holy level. The Holy Spirit would have given you a process of regeneration placing you into a generation of holiness delivering you from the generation of condemnation. Listen to Titus 3:5:

Verse 5 - Not by works of righteousness which we have done,
but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing
of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;



CHAPTER VI

SALVATION:
POLITICS
&
SPECIAL TOPICS

SALVATION & POLITICS

Subject: Why Does A Nation Suffer?

When kings and rulers of the earth try to operate the affairs of the world without recognizing God, there will be trouble in the world on a large scale. This happens when the heads of state get to the place that they leave God out of their program. God intended that rulers of the earth rule in righteousness, considering the fact that God sets up kings and rulers and takes them down.

When the rulers of the world fail to rule in righteousness, their subjects will become wicked as they are. The Spirit of God that controls the universe will move upon the minds of those in a nation to subject themselves to their leader only when the leader is ruling in righteousness. When the leader makes decisions contrary to the righteousness of God, then the subjects of the nation will be rebellious.

God's Spirit moves upon the minds of the people to vote a leader into office. When the leader is contrary to the teachings of God, the Spirit of God will move upon the people to vote such a leader out of office. It is the duty of a preacher to warn the leaders and people of a nation of the way that God operates. When the leader and the people fail to take heed to the warning, the nation will suffer.

Subject: A Ruler Must First Learn To Rule Himself:

Heads of state are considered as rulers of the world's nations. Rulers like to rule, but they don't like to be ruled. In order to be a good ruler, the person must be produced by a source of knowledge that is greater than the knowledge that they possess. If a person tries to be a good ruler with limited knowledge, then their ability to rule will be limited. You can't be any better at something than what you know about it.

Rulers like to see those that they are ruling be humble and submissive. Unless the ruler has been humble and submissive, they won't understand what makes the people humble and submissive. If rulers expect to have an effective governmental system of operation, they must experience being governed the way that they desire the people to be governed.

In order to be successful at ruling, the rulers must submit to the government of heaven, and God will teach the rulers how to govern the people by governing

themselves. If rulers of nations go against God by failing to submit themselves to the government of heaven, they will be a failure. Listen to Psalm 2:2-4:

Verse 2 - The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel against the Lord, and against his anointed, saying,

Verse 3 - Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.

Verse 4 - He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

No government on earth will stand for long except it is subject to the King of Kings or the Son of God whom God raised up to set the example of rulership. The rulership is first applied to the ruler learning to govern himself, and then spreads to the community. Jesus is going to rule a kingdom that will never end, because He allowed God to teach Him how to rule Himself under the most adverse circumstances.

Jesus stood before a mocking and jeering crowd and in spite of all that was done against Him. Knowing that He had power available to avenge His enemies, He was able to stand without one sign to show that He was incapable of ruling Himself. The kingdom of heaven will be a self-governed society of holy people. Jesus came to teach men and women how to rule themselves. If a person learns to rule him or herself, they won't need a ruler.

Subject: He That Ruleth Over Men Must Be Just Ruling In The Fear Of God:

You can only honor God by having respect for what His word teaches. You must be humble and submissive to the principles of righteousness to respect God's word. Honor for anybody can only be extended by means of humility. Without humility, there can be no honor for God, the government, or the people of a nation.

Rulers of the world's nations will find it impossible to rule the people without submitting to the government of heaven. Only God can control and discipline the minds of the people. To use the military and to kill the people of a nation to keep them under control is foolish. The more a ruler kills people of a nation, the more the people will rebel, hate, and plan to kill the ruler. You can only

successfully rule a people through love. Love develops trust in those who work close to the ruler of a nation.

If the ruler attempts to rule the people by killing them, he will eventually kill a relative of someone working close to him that he didn't have knowledge of, and they will eventually kill the ruler. God has so fixed the minds of the people of the nations of the world that they will only accept rulership and respect from a leader that rules with love for the people. Any other attempt to rule the people will result to insurrections, civil wars, and eventually the fall of the ruler. He that ruleth over men must be just ruling in the fear of God.

Subject: Charity And Politicians:

Now charity is universal love, not sexual love, not family love, not fraternal love, but love for everyone, even your enemy. Now people can fool one another by talking so sweetly to each other that one can make the other believe a lie. If you want to know how a person feels about you, watch what they do for you. Universal love is expressed of a truth by means of deeds that a person does, and not by how sweet they talk.

Watch politicians and listen to what they promise, and after they get in office, watch what they do. If what they do is in line with what they said, then they are expressing universal love or charity. If they change their promises, or come up with excuses for why they can't keep their promises, then their promises were counterfeit words, which mean their love for their country and fellow citizens is not true love or charity. They simply wanted to get in office for personal gain, fame, popularity and a historical name. Such people or politicians are false impersonators of universal love and are not to be voted for again.

Subject: More About Charity:

Charity must begin in the heart of a person. It must be implanted in the person's heart by the Holy Spirit. If charity is not in the heart, the person will not be right and their deeds will be deceitful. Have you ever known a person who will do good deeds and favors for another person and not ask for an immediate return for what they have done? Later on as time goes by, they return to the person that they have done the good deeds for and ask for a favor. When this happens, it

means their initial deeds were deceitful, and they were not inspired by God to do such deeds. This is not charity; it is called deeds of deceit, or politics.

Charitable deeds are done for the best interest of those who need the assistance. Now a politician who does not have the love of God in his heart will not like what I am writing, they may think that I am throwing off on them. I am not throwing off on them, because they can change the spirit of their false love for people to charity, which is true love from God. I did not start out in life doing right; I had to be taught, and when I considered that what I was being taught was correct, I made adjustments and God gave me the Holy Spirit to help me.

SALVATION: SPECIAL TOPICS

Subject: God Will Use Judgment To Defeat The Enemies Of Our Nation:

Anything that our nation or government attempts to accomplish without God, or not in accord with the word of God, it will be a complete failure at a time when the nation needs success the most. Except a nation build on righteousness, prosperity and success will pass from them at a time that it should do them the most good. It is vain to put your hope in anything that isn't based upon righteousness. If God is not in our defenses, our forces will wake up too late. They may not be asleep, but they will not be informed on the tactics of the enemy.

The word of God teaches that a nation watches in vain unless they let the Lord be their defense. Battles are not won on battlefields, but at the council table where generals sit and work out strategies against the enemy. In order for their strategies to be successful, the Lord must be in their discretion. Unless God sits in on the conferences and gives judgment to those making decisions, they will not be able to bring about a lasting peaceful solution. The battle will be lost by those who reject the counsel of the Lord.

Now, the leaders of a nation can be wise in their own conceit, because they have great armies and navy, and they may feel that their defense without God's counsel is substantial. They can use all the radar, naval bases, and army outposts that they desire, but unless the Lord keeps the city, their watching will be in vain. Remember Pearl Harbor and 9/11? There is only one safe place and that is in the Lord. Now when a nation desires to put their defense in the Lord, they must pray for judgment. It is judgment that God uses to guide a military force or nation to safety, and lack of judgment causes the enemy to destroy himself. God increases or decreases judgment as He desires to bless or destroy a people or the enemy of His people.

If a nation or military leaders have a mind to obey and honor God, they can pray to God and ask for an increase in judgment for the nation of God, and ask for a decrease in judgment against their enemies. This could result to the enemy taking an unwise step, which will bring an early and decisive defeat, due to lack of judgment. Our defense must be in the Lord.

Subject: Marriage Must Be Between Male And Female Only:

The foundation of a civilized society is ordained by divine order in the institution of marriage between a man and a woman. When the people of a given nation fail to honor the institution of marriage, such a nation will eventually become uncivilized. Marriage is a social, civilized construction of a family that is acceptable to God. Defective, human desires, such as homosexuality, cannot reorganize marriage to accommodate such desires that are outside of natural affections.

God realizing that the family needs rules and regulations for marriage to be proper and in order designed marriage for husband and wife, male and female. To accommodate homosexual tendencies within the institution of marriage makes a marriage ineffectual, inappropriate, and lose its definition and identity as a marriage before God. Such a contract for a union is not a marriage, but a sin before God, and those that are involved will be judged by God accordingly.

Subject: Sex Between Husband And Wife Is For Procreation:

The value of a child is far above anything else that might be given to a father and mother. God gives the gift of a child; most other things that people acquire come from their own efforts. Parents should do everything to protect, provide for, and care for a child. A God given child that is properly guided, and governed, as God ordained, will be a comfort and a blessing to parents when they get old.

The babe Moses talked to God in person when he became a man. God will save a child that has been properly cared for, and use the child as a blessing to the world. Moses was so blessed by God that his very appearance and countenance attracted the attention of the Pharaoh's daughter. God can use a child to do great things when parents show interest in their upbringing.

Israel at this time was in bondage of the Pharaoh of Egypt. It was the health and physical appearance of a baby that initiated a movement by God to set Israel free. Israel was set free by God because Moses was a good-looking, healthy, and attractive baby. Parents should take care of their children so that they can be wise, healthy, and attractive and God will use their physical appearance to do great things.

Moses' mother loved him so much that God made a way for her to continue to care for her baby until he was full-grown. When the other Hebrew children were destroyed, Moses grew up in the Pharaoh's palace. All of this was done for Moses because of his mother's love for him.

God works his purposes by using the mother that will die for a child if need be. God does not acknowledge mothers that will abort a child when it appears that the child will be an inconvenience for the mother. God's purpose for sex between husband and wife is for procreation, and not merely for sexual pleasures, and later get rid of the child.

**Subject: God Will Save A Homosexual To Go Straight
If He Repents:**

If the leaders of the world's nations try to operate the affairs of the world without recognizing God, they will lead the world to destruction. Listen to Isaiah 24:17:

Verse 17 - Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon thee, O inhabitant of the earth.

These conditions will come upon the earth when the nations' kings and rulers get to the place that they will leave God out of their program. God intended that all kings and rulers of the nations should rule in righteousness (Daniel 5:21)

Rulers of nations must be fair and just to the people in order for God to help them to maintain peace and control over their nations (II Samuel 23:1-3). When rulers of nations fail to rule in righteousness, their subjects will become wicked resulting to revolutions. The duty of a preacher is to warn the leader of the nation in which he lives of the danger in falling away from God.

The manifestation of homosexuality was a sign of a nation that was getting ready to fall. It first happened in Sodom, and later in the Roman Empire. Homosexuals can only get grace from God and not from the government. When God gives grace to a homosexual, the grace of God will give them a new nature to go straight. God's grace works for homosexuals just as it does for adulterers, liars, thieves, drunkards, and idolaters. Homosexuals were saved by grace in the church of Corinth (read I Corinthians 6:9-11).

Subject: A Good Mother Gives You A Good Start In Life:

A mother is an important person. When a person has a good mother, the person will have a jump-start in life. God initiated the good qualities of human character through a good mother. Adam got the world in trouble because he didn't

have a mother. No matter whom you are, if you are going to make any progress in this world, you must have help, help first from God, and then God will help by means of a mother.

A mother has more sense about many things than a father does. A woman is more understanding, patient, sympathetic, and affectionate towards a child. A mother is empathetic towards a child's needs and desires. A mother can help a child when the child doesn't realize it needs help. A mother has foresight for a child, and can see where the child is going before the child gets started. If you have a good mother, you will also have a good start in life.

Subject: Parents Should Look At Their Children To Find Their Inclination:

Moses was born for a purpose and the purpose was fulfilled by God in Moses because his parents observed that he was a fit child. If parents observe their child through the years, they will be able to see what the child is inclined towards by observing its traits and actions. They can find the intuition that God stamped into the child. After finding it, they can watch over and direct the child accordingly. Later, they will find that God's purpose in the child will not be defeated.

Subject: If You Are Saved Then Your Children Should Be Saved If They Were Born When You Were Saved:

Jesus showed Himself after rising from the grave by many infallible proofs that He was the one who once walked and talked in the midst of friends and enemies with nothing but the Spirit of love. Jesus was a part of God's love, because He was the Son of God. Children partake of the nature of their parents. If your parents were born again there would be no need for a child of the parents to be born again, because they would inherit the nature of their parents, which is the Spirit of God.

If parents think that they are born again and have children that are not filled with the Spirit of God, then the parents have been deceived by their religious teaching (Job 14:1). You cannot bring an unclean thing out of that which is clean. Even those in the medical profession will tell you that.

You cannot bring unholy children out of holy parents. If the parents are saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, the children will be born saved, and filled with the Holy Ghost, just like John the Baptist was born of his parents who were filled with the Holy Ghost. John was filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb because his parents were filled with the Holy Ghost. The only way that children can be born unholy is that they must be born of unsaved parents.

Subject: Else Were Your Children Unclean But Now Are They Holy:

The understanding of God's word is not given to us according to what we would be willing to agree with. Many preachers will preach according to what they believe people will accept; God does not do things like that. The mystery of godliness is sometimes beyond human conception.

All planning of godliness for the salvation of man was done without the counsel of man. The Bible teaches that when both parents have accepted the nature of Jesus by being filled with the Holy Spirit, the child that is born of them will be born holy like Jesus was born holy (I Corinthians 7:14), otherwise your children would be born unclean, but now are they holy.

Subject: A Woman Can Make Things Better For A Man:

There are no affairs of a man that a woman cannot enter in some way to be of assistance to the man. In many things, a woman can do better than a man can. The advice and knowledge of an industrious woman can be very vital in delivering a man or family from annoying problems. When a wife is interested in her home and family, she can be a great help to her husband and children.

A virtuous woman will always be available to offer assistance and comfort to her husband. Regardless of what a man's ability is in accomplishing his purpose, a woman can be there as a change for the better.

Subject: The Value Of Decent Gospel Music:

If you listen to the music presented by the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir, the Spirit of God will get into their music to bring it to your mind to give inspiration and encouragement. Their music was ordained by God to be inspirational to the world. Music that the Spirit of God gets in will lift the burdens of the listeners.

During the years of slavery in America, the slaves were able to endure their hardships by means of their music. Decent gospel music like that of the Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir will work the same way today. If a person repents of their sins and obeys the gospel of Jesus Christ, good spiritual music will reinforce their efforts. There is a song for every ill. When you are having problems and you want heaven to help you, assistance will come by means of gospel music. When music is presented decently from a sincere heart, it will cause God to move upon the difficult conditions of those involved.

During the Civil War, the slaves sang songs until they moved God to raise up an emancipator to give them deliverance. The slaves didn't fight for freedom, they sang for freedom. God was so moved that He turned the white brothers of the South against the white brothers of the North, and the slaves walked free.

Music carries a lot of power when it is holy, decent, and expressed to the glory of God. Gospel music is a mockery to God when it sounds worldly and wild. God always prepares good examples of how music should be presented to His glory and honor. The Brooklyn Tabernacle Choir is the example. It is my prayer that God will bless that Choir to continue in the spirit of what glorifies God.

Subject: Gifts And Talents Are Not Evidence Of Salvation:

When you have the gift to sing, preach, and dance in a church, it is not evidence that you are saved. There is no connection between talent and salvation. In order to be saved, you must repent of your sins. You can have a gift to sing and preach along with a life of sin. Listen to Romans 11:29:

Verse 29 - For gifts and calling of God are without repentance.

A sin-free life is what gives you access to God, and not your gift. God will not hear our songs or smell in your assembly if sin is in the lives of the participants. Listen to Amos 5:21:

Verse 21 - I hate, I despise your feast days, and I will not smell in your solemn assemblies.

Verse 22 - Though ye offer me burnt offerings and your meat offerings, I will not accept them: neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts.

Verse 23 - Take thou away from me the noise of thy songs; I will not hear the melody of thy viols.

Unless righteousness is in the lives of those conducting the services, God will reject their gifts of music.

Verse 24 - But let judgment run down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty stream.

CHAPTER VII

**THE TRUE MESSENGER SENT
BY GOD**

Subject: You Can Only Be Saved By The Message Of The Preacher That The Holy Spirit Has Already Saved:

Jesus came to teach us the way into the kingdom of heaven. The gospel of Jesus Christ is a teaching of how to acquire eternal life. When Jesus was on the earth, He gathered a little cabinet of twelve disciples and commissioned them to go into all the world and preach to every creature what you have been taught. When a God sent minister is saved and filled with the Holy Ghost, he will teach his listeners about the teaching that saved him.

The disciples of Jesus taught the gospel that had saved them. Just as the disciples had the word of God in their lives, they were commissioned to teach the people the same way that they had experienced salvation in their own lives.

Today a preacher who has not experienced salvation cannot correctly teach salvation, though he may be able to teach what he learned at some religious seminary. The Holy Spirit only saves others through the teachings of the preacher that has been saved by the Holy Spirit.

Subject: God's Messenger Will Be A Holy Person:

When God sends somebody to tell you something, you should listen. You will know that God is sending you the message, because the messenger will be a holy person. God does not send casual messages to people who are in danger. The message will be for the benefit of the person to whom it was sent. Moses went to the Pharaoh to give him a very important message from God that would not only benefit the children of Israel, but the nation of Egypt also.

Now if you want to know whether or not God is sending the message, learn something about the messenger to see if his life is sin free. If his life is sin free, then his message is coming from God. Rather than examine Moses' life, the Pharaoh contended with Moses by using sorcerers and magicians to compete against Moses' presentation from God. The Pharaoh needed a religious counselor, but he used sorcerers and magicians to cause his kingdom to be destroyed and his first-born son to die.

Subject: Messages From God:

When a preacher sent by God is presenting a message to the people, he will make it known to the people that the message is not coming from him, but from God. When such a preacher is giving a message, the word of the Lord has come unto him, and he is giving the message to the people. God reveals His word to those that He desires to deliver the message. God does not speak directly to the people, but He speaks through His preachers. God speaks to the mind of the preachers and reveals His word to them.

There are no limitations to the knowledge that God gives His preachers. The word of the Lord does not originate from the mind of the prophet or preacher, but from God. The Bible is not the word of a man, because it does not express the mind of a man. When a man speaks, he speaks to impress his listeners and to find favor with their ways of thinking.

A false prophet will first study the minds of the people and learn what they will approve of; afterward he prepares his sermons to meet the approval of their ways of thinking so that his presentations may be compatible with their opinions. His primary style of preaching will be the spirit of flattery. A preacher sent by God will be taught and revealed knowledge from God to give to the people whether they are willing to accept or reject the messages.

Subject: God Is Alpha And Omega:

When the word of the Lord comes to a preacher sent by God no matter how contrary the word of God is to his belief, he will adjust his mind to the message of God. Can you imagine what Isaiah thought when the word of the Lord revealed to him that a virgin would conceive a child (Isaiah 7:14)? Isaiah had to prophesy of Jesus' conception seven hundred and forty years before it came to pass. A prophet of God does not speak to win popularity from the people, but he speaks to please God.

The prophet Hosea said, the word of the Lord came to me to tell you that the Lord said that He will ransom men from the power of the grave and redeem them from death (Hosea 13:14). Such words would not gain popularity from the listeners, because they are not the way a man would speak to gain the attention of the people.

When John was on the Isle of Patmos, he spoke for Jesus saying, I am he that was dead, but I am alive forever more. John further said, I am going to tell you that one day God will come down to the earth in the person of His Son and set

up a new kingdom. When the kingdom is set up, there will be no more crying, dying, sorrowing or suffering, for the former things will pass away. Whatever message God sends by His prophet, there are no events behind what he prophesies that can change the prophecies.

CHAPTER VIII

MASTERS IN DISGUISE: FALSE RELIGIOUS LEADERS

Subject: Be Careful Of Whom You Listen To:

If you have a pastor who is a sinner, you don't stand a chance of being saved. Such a pastor will preach the weaknesses of the flesh rather than the power of God. These type pastors do not know the processes of salvation in Jesus Christ. They have been educated about religion like lawyers who have been educated about the law. You can only be taught the correct process of salvation by someone who has experienced it. Such unsaved preachers will feed the people an easy to accept religious teaching because of covetousness. They know that large numbers of people will accept their perverse teachings.

Subject: The Gospel Of Jesus Christ Should Be Free:

The literature that I am preparing concerning the salvation for man is free. God freely gave me this knowledge, so why should I charge others for what was a gift to me? When a person shares their talent, wealth, and knowledge with others without charge, God will see to it that they are able to do it. When you tell someone else about the thing that God gave you that has been a blessing to you, such deeds will make you a happy person.

When a religious leader is seeking to make a profit with what he is offering you, then what he is offering does not come from God. Such a leader's offer is artificial and is not of God. God will not send a leader to abuse the gift and blessings from God for the leader to profit. Whatever the leader is offering will not be what he said it would be. When a leader requires money for the knowledge of God's word, he would be abusing his power in the gospel. Listen to I Corinthians 9:18:

Verse 18 - What is my reward then? Verily that, when I preach the gospel, I may make the gospel of Christ without charge, that I abuse not my power in the gospel.

Subject: Hide And Don't Seek:

We had nothing to do with coming into this world, but we are responsible for the way that we live while we are here, which will determine where we go when we leave. Now churches and preachers are on practically every corner in our

society, and very few people know the Lord. God has the means to see to it that where we go when we leave here will be for our best interest. God has laid out certain requirements for a safe destiny when we leave here.

The first requirement for a safe destiny is to repent of your sins. When you get the mind to repent, God will give you an itemized listing of what sins are. The listings are found in St. Mark 7th chapter, Romans 1st chapter, Galatians 5th chapter, and I Corinthians 6th chapter. God does not hide knowledge from us, but many preachers will. If your pastor does not teach you these chapters from the Bible (The Original King James Version), he is hiding the knowledge of the word of God from you. If your pastor is not familiar with the teachings in the above chapters, then his pastor has hid this knowledge from him. The devil has these type preachers playing a game called “hide and don’t seek”.

Subject: You Cannot Compromise With Sin:

The preachers in the pulpit are supposed to point the people in a direction out of sin. To tell the people that sin is okay when you are trying to acquire salvation is like pouring gasoline on a fire. Sin is what's killing the people of the world today. To feed the people knowledge that encourages or tolerates sin is giving them a rope to hang themselves. Such men who encourage sin are more dangerous than a poisonous snake. They will bite you and make you believe that you are going to be alright.

These type preachers are blind leaders of the blind (St. Matthew 15:14). Those who follow such preachers will fall in a ditch along with the preachers. People should be taught the scriptures. Without knowledge of the scriptures, they will become unstable souls.

To believe that sinful practices are alright in a person's life is the same as believing that the wrong way of life is the right way. There are many in churches today that don't know right from wrong, because preachers have given more creditability to wrong. You cannot compromise with sin. Sin will not leave you with a peaceful agreement in your life. Its purpose is to destroy you. If you have compromised with sin, you will die.

Subject: Church Folk Are Like Non-Church Folk:

If the members of Christian churches are not taught the true gospel of Jesus Christ, the people will turn to their own ideas and ways of living. Those who have not been born again are victims of their own conceit. In the eyes of a man, his own way seems right. When he develops confidence in his own conceit, it is difficult to show him a better way. However, the end of his way will be death (Proverbs 14:12).

The only right way that offers life is the way of the Lord. The devil corrupts churches by corrupting the minds of the people. The devil has induced church members to do everything that the sinner outside of the church is doing. What good is a religious teaching that doesn't make a person any better than the person who has no religious teaching? It is foolish for church folk to believe that they are better than non-church folk when they live like non-church folk. It is for this reason that non-church folk have lost confidence in the church.

Subject: Are You Going To Church For Entertainment Or Salvation?

Have you ever been to a theater where actors put on a demonstration as to how they are going to kill one another? They are not really going to harm one another; it is just a show. After the show is over, they will go out to dinner together and laugh about it. It was all a performance and not a reflection of true anger.

Many preachers are doing the same thing in pulpits today. They are just putting on a show. They are giving performances and not a true testimony of how God saved them from sin. If a preacher doesn't have a testimony of being saved from sin, then his preaching is like the actors in the theater. Such preaching is not true. It is not the results of a true experience of salvation in Jesus Christ. When the people learn that the preacher is putting on a show, they will go to church for the same reason that others go to the theater for. They will go for false entertainment rather than to acquire true salvation.

Subject: Is Your Church Any Different Than A Circus?

Now the devil has a lot of tricks that he uses to fool people, and unless people are familiar with the true power of God, it is difficult to tell when the devil is fooling you. Human abilities to discern what is true and what is false are limited. It is difficult to tell how a magician at a circus can pull a rabbit out of a hat. You can look directly at the magician and try to figure out how he does it, but your perception of true and false are not always accurate. You cannot trust your eyes to see accurately, because visual perception has limited abilities. In order to judge something correctly, you must have knowledge of the word of God. When you have knowledge of the word of God, you won't judge by the seeing of the eye or the hearing of the ear, but God will help you to judge righteously.

When you judge righteously, you will judge your own actions, and not what you see other people do. You will watch your own actions and compare your actions with the knowledge of the word of God. When your actions are right, what does it matter if the magician has fooled the people in the circus? Your righteous life can be used to see if your preacher is preaching the correct doctrine of salvation, or if he is giving a sideshow like the magician in the circus. If your preacher's gospel is not according to your righteous life then he is no different from the magician who fooled the people.

The primary purpose of the magician in the circus is to draw a large crowd to get plenty of money for his performance. If your pastor's purpose is the same, then such a church is no different from a circus. Things that you learn in the world that are false can help you to discern things in a church that are false. When you learn righteous things from the word of God, it gives you righteous knowledge to learn the things that are false in the world or in your church. Under these conditions, you would be using knowledge of God's word to judge righteously. It would not be you judging, but the word of God would be judging.

Subject: Association Brings On Assimilation:

It doesn't matter how good a man or woman might be, if they hang around and worship in a wicked church group, the devil can paint them and make them look like their church group. No matter how much good Christians see fault in their fellow wicked church members, the devil has made the good Christians look just like the wicked Christians.

Religious association brings on assimilation. If you hang around devilish church folk, you will look like them. If your church members drink liquor and

commit adultery, folk will be surprised when they learn that you don't do it. In other words, they will take for granted that you do the same sins until they learn otherwise, simply because you worship with such a crowd.

Subject: A Wicked Church Will Blame Their Problems On The Ignorant Members:

There is no need in going to church unless your purpose is to learn something about God. If your life has not developed to the extent whereas your spiritual status has improved through the years, then going to church is a waste of your time. When your spiritual status has improved you should be a better husband, wife, father, or mother, and your life should be progressively becoming free from sin. If these things are not happening in your life, your church is wasting your time.

If your knowledge of salvation is not improving as a result of the teachings of your church, then it is a good chance that your fellow church members will make a scapegoat out of you. A scapegoat was a goat in which the Israelites used to put their sins on and turn loose in the wilderness. When you don't have any knowledge of salvation, folks will blame their sins on you while they go free. They will backbite and talk about you on the phone every time something happens to them because they know that you are ignorant.

Subject: Satan Camouflages Good People Who Worship In Sin Practicing Churches:

It is hard to find a person who lives up to the standard of righteousness set by God's word. Most Christians are weak and have a very low level of righteousness in their lives that will generally permit some sins to be a part of their lives. This is because the devil has been successful at camouflaging Christian churches to the extent that their sins have hidden most of their good qualities and the few good members who are trying to live right.

Nobody can see your righteousness if you are trying to live right in a church full of sin practicing hypocrites. Sin camouflages a righteous person who worships with hypocrites. Such good people cannot be identified as being good in a sinful church. Camouflaging is one of the devils most effective tricks. During the wars, battleships, tanks, airplanes and soldiers were dressed and painted to look like the

things in their environment. Though you may be a good person, if you go to a sin practicing church, Satan will make you look just like the hypocrites around you.

Subject: God Calls You Out From Your Wicked Church That You Might Be Saved:

When you learn the faults of wicked church members, you must not let them become your faults. The best way to prevent this from happening is to come out from among the wicked church members. When you learn the things that are wrong and sinful, it is for you not to do them. When your spiritual eye is opened and you are able to see other people's sins, it is because God has opened your eyes that you might have a chance to escape the wicked church, and be saved. In order for you to get saved you must be saved from your wicked church. You will most likely not be successful at trying to convince the other people that they are wrong because God is dealing with you, and not your church. God saves a remnant by calling them out from their unsaved wicked churches.



CHAPTER IX

THE SCRIPTURES

Subject: The Original King James Version Of The Bible:

The Bible is the only book that tells the truth. There are other books that may have true statements, but the Bible tells the truth and nothing but the truth. Some books glorify other people as well as the author, but the Bible only magnifies and glorifies the person who obeys God. If you obey God, then the Bible is all about your life.

The only Bible that God acknowledges is The Original King James Version. The Holy Ghost moved on holy men to write The Original King James Version of the Bible. All other translated versions of the Bible are the works, opinions, and translations of men. If a person is carnal, or lives the life of a sinner, the Bible teaches directly against their way of life. A preacher who preaches based upon what the Bible teaches is speaking the words of God. God speaks through such preachers.

God offers salvation by means of his words in the Bible. Salvation is deliverance from the awful conditions that a person allows sin to bring into their life. When a person neglects the teaching of the Bible, they are neglecting God's offer to be saved.

Subject: The Scriptures:

Few people understand the scriptures. Understanding the scriptures is probably the most important thing that you can learn, because the scriptures give information on your eternal destiny. The scriptures teach you about what will happen to your soul after your body dies; no other source of information can inform you about life after death. The scriptures are a spiritual teaching, which means it teaches about right and wrong, or holiness and carnality.

It takes the assistance of the Holy Spirit to help learn what the scriptures teach. You cannot understand nor learn the scriptures with the natural mind alone. It would be like a farmer trying to take an ocean voyage on a tractor. Only a ship can take an ocean voyage; a tractor is a land machine. So is it also with learning the scriptures, you need a spiritual mind to learn spiritual knowledge, and a spiritual leader to teach you.

A God sent spiritual teacher can teach you spiritual knowledge by comparing spiritual things with natural things. Now there are many that don't know whether there be any Holy Spirit or not, because they have so little knowledge of the scriptures. The Holy Spirit is invisible, but its presence is more common than the wind that blows. When you become saved, the Holy Spirit will

be your guide through life. It will be more valuable to you as a saved person than anybody else in your life. The Holy Spirit that God sent caused the Virgin Mary to conceive and bring forth a child without the aid of a man. God called His name Jesus. Jesus represented grace. It is grace by which we are saved.

The scriptures teach that God has arranged that we might be born again and be excused from all our transgressions on one condition. That condition is that after we have been forgiven of our sins that we go in peace and sin no more. Now a preacher might not preach this. Most preachers don't preach what they have not experienced; that is why it is very important to learn the scriptures.

God sent Jesus to preach the gospel of the kingdom. Jesus' gospel was documented in the scriptures. Many religious leaders of today will preach the gospel of this world.

Subject: God's Word Will Not Fail:

God's word has never been known to fail. If you learn the word of God and allow the Spirit of God to adjust your life to what the word teaches, you will never fail. You must carefully use the word of God to monitor your way of living to see whether your life is in line with the word of God or not, and you will prevail. Everybody wants life with joy, peace, and happiness. Therefore, whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ will receive such spiritual blessings.

Subject: The Word Of God Is Alive:

The understanding of the Bible is revealed to us in relation to things in our everyday experiences. God relates the teachings of the Bible to things in our everyday lives with which we are familiar. This brings the teachings of the word of God to life. Most history books are dead knowledge of things that have happened in the past, but the Bible is very much up to date.

The symbol of Jesus' crucifixion was set in motion long ago. It was symbolized in the passage of scripture where God commanded Moses to kill a lamb and take the blood of the lamb, pour it into a basin and put the blood on the doorpost of each home of the Israelites. Every principle in the Bible has a present and future meaning. The blood of the lamb had two meanings for two events that God was preparing for. The first purpose was to save the children of Israel from the death that God was going to send over Egypt, and the second purpose was to

save those who would be willing to accept Jesus from their sins. All this would be done by blood of the lamb.

The blood from the first lamb that Moses used to save the children of Israel was a symbol of the blood that Jesus would shed on Calvary to save us from our sins. The power in the blood of the lamb has unlimited capabilities. The power in the blood came as a result of a holy sacrifice. Jesus was a holy sacrificial Lamb of God that was undefiled by sin. When a person is saved today, they are saved by the power in the blood. This power washes them of all sinful desires. When you are washed by the power in the blood of Jesus, the Spirit and the water will bear witness to what the blood has done for you, because all three work together as one.

The baptism of water is supported by what the blood and the Spirit have done in your life. The baptism of water is a testimony that you have been washed and the Spirit bears witness to what the blood has done by keeping your sins out of your life. The water, the blood, and the Spirit agree in one by supporting what the other has done for your salvation. Listen to I John 5:8.

Verse 8 - And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

Afterword

As we close another volume of Saved from Sin. It is hoped that you have been further enlightened about God's plan for the salvation of man, and that you desire to be saved according to the teachings of the Scriptures.

All you have to do is to read this information, believe it and desire to follow it, repent from your sins, and put forth a sincere effort to practice the instructions given, and God will help you. God is all-powerful, He is able to save to the uttermost, and He is, "not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (II Peter 3:9).

Remember, today is the day of salvation! Tomorrow may be too late!



