

# ***ON TRUE RELIGION***

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# **INTRODUCTION**

*What is true religion ?*

*That is to say, what exactly do I mean  
by use of such a term ?*

*For example, true as compared to what ?*

*True as compared to fake ?*

*Phony ?*

*Artificial ?*

*Game playing and hustling ?*

*Yes,  
yes,  
and yes.*

*We must start with a proposition  
which I consider to be somewhat a priori  
(i.e. self-evident truth), although I am sure  
that many, if not most !, persons would find  
many grounds for disagreement.*

*To me, it is a self-evident fact that “somebody”  
or “something” has created this material  
universe in which we currently find ourselves.*

*Either there is a Creator being or there is not.*

*Modernly, Darwinists claim that  
there is no God, and hence no Creator.*

*In effect, everything has created itself.*

*“In the beginning was matter”,  
or energy, or some similar force.*

*Matter has, in effect, created God.*

*The Creator is considered by them to be  
nothing more than a fantastical creation of  
primitive, superstitious minds.*

*We just simply live and then die.*

*End of story.*

*A supreme being is simply wishful thinking,  
or a projection of our own selves onto  
the “canvas” of the material universe.*

*They will start from this postulate  
and then claim that they can disprove  
the existence of an ultimate moral authority  
in what can only be considered to be  
an example of very simplistic  
circular reasoning.*

*God does not exist and cannot exist,  
therefore the universe cannot  
have been created.*

*And so they begin on a quest of  
explaining how the known material universe  
came into existence on its own,  
with no animating and organizing force,  
apart from various types of physical events  
and causes and effects.*

*Darwin is claimed to have postulated  
a scheme by which life came from non-life  
by means of a series of random changes  
over vast amounts of time  
by which intelligence  
is claimed to have evolved  
from inanimate (and unintelligent) materials.*

*The mechanism (deus machina, anyone ?)  
by which this is claimed to have happened  
is by means of radiation  
bombarding living material  
(which just “somehow” originated  
from non-life) and causing changes,  
most of which were either detrimental to,  
or in a very small amount of cases,  
useful to, survival  
(hence survival of the fittest).*

*These basic building blocks  
are claimed to have, effectively,  
piled, the one on top of the other,  
over and over again, in violation  
of the 2d law of thermodynamics,  
such that the simple organism  
becomes more and more complex.*

*Modern people pretend that  
this is a "scientific" view  
to be compared with primitive  
superstitions of ignorant persons.*

*While it is pretended that this is  
some sort of modern masterpiece  
of highly elevated thinking,  
it is, in fact, no such thing.*

*It is, rather, the basis for the religion  
of Hinduism (the oldest known continuous  
religion) and is very similar to  
the Hawaiian/Polynesian  
creation mythologies  
(from which some persons believe it was  
actually derived, as a matter of  
speculative philosophy, by Darwin,  
as he traveled through the South Seas,  
e.g. see the Hawaiian creation story  
and chants, such as Kumulipo).*



*In Hinduism and many other Eastern offshoots, it is claimed that there are continuous cycles of creation and destruction by which one is claimed to evolve to higher and higher levels of being.*

*Thus, it can readily be seen that religion, and this speculative philosophy, which pretends to be provable fact, have been and are intertwined and interwoven with one another right from the very beginning.*

*That is to say, Darwinism neither "proves", nor disproves anything.*

*It is speculation, pure and simple.*

*Nothing more, and nothing less.*

*If one stops and thinks, for even one moment, one should realize that if science is a collection of facts, and the fact is that there is a "prime mover"/Creator being/force which is animating everything which we see around us,*

*then one cannot have science  
without acknowledgment of the fact  
of the initial and ongoing creative force  
and driver.*

*The idea that "science" is inherently  
in opposition to "religion"  
is then readily shown to be a sham.*

*Because demonstrable facts  
are a product of experimental verification  
and of matters which are  
observable,  
measurable,  
quantifiable,  
and experimentally repeatable,  
it can readily be seen that matters  
such as "the Big Bang theory",  
and various cosmologies and cosmogonies,  
have no place alongside, for example,  
Newton's laws of motion,  
or the analysis of chemical reactions  
and such like.*

*This being so plain that one must speak  
in terms of "hard science"  
versus other kinds of "soft" science,  
as if such a distinction has any meaning,  
whatsoever, other than to falsely claim*

*that evolutionary theory is, somehow,  
observable, measurable, quantifiable,  
and experimentally repeatable fact,  
and hence a matter for scientific inquiry  
i.e. collecting of facts.*

*This is a very shaky foundation, indeed,  
upon which to stake the future state  
of what is believed to be your eternal soul,  
if ever there was one.*

*As one further considers the matter,  
it becomes painfully evident  
that we are in a sort of a mist  
from which we are not going to  
easily extricate ourselves.*

*Speculative philosophy, posing as known,  
measurable, quantifiable, experimentally  
repeatable facts is not really going to  
help us much.*

*It is simplistic and shallow thinking  
at its core, and really not worth much  
when one is trying to figure out  
“what actually is and isn't”,  
in spite of it's apparent (modern) ability  
to pretend to be the answer  
to all of our questions  
about the meaning and purpose  
of our current existence.*

*It opens the door  
to all kinds of ridiculous speculation,  
in place of useful knowledge,  
I would think.*

*The reason for pointing these things out  
is because we are going to run into them  
over and over again as we consider  
what is reality, and other, related matters.*

*Or to state it another way,  
here is one of the numerous phony religions  
which I intend to juxtapose against  
what I am, here, referring to as  
**"true religion"**.*

*Again, the "true" in **true religion**  
is another way of saying "fact-based",  
or "factually-based" religion.*

*While noting that I am using the term religion,  
here, to mean our relationship  
with our Creator, as opposed to  
various rites, rituals, customs,  
practices, and procedures.*

*Religion is, hence, here used  
as a synonym for ultimate reality.*

*Okay now, here is the fatal crux of the matter,  
so far as the claims that Darwin's speculations  
somehow rise to the level of*

*measurable  
observable  
quantifiable  
and experimentally repeatable*

*"facts" of science  
("science" here being defined as  
a collection of facts):*

## **COMPLEXITY !!**

*I never tire of reminding any and all  
who care about such matters  
that when Darwin propounded  
his speculative philosophical assertions,  
the microscope had only recently  
been developed.*

*The nature of DNA was completely unknown  
and quantum mechanics hadn't even been  
thought of or considered as a potential reality.*

*Darwin and his contemporaries  
looked at the structure of leaves  
and other plant tissues under a microscope  
and noticed little empty boxes  
which appeared to form  
the skeletal framework of the leaf structure.*

*They called these little boxes "cells",  
as in an empty room, or a prison cell.*

*They had no idea that within each  
of these little boxes had been a whole sea  
teeming with living organisms,  
each far more complex than  
the skeletal leaf structure itself.*

*I like to think of them as **little machines**.*

*Numerous “**little machines  
within little machines**”.*

*A closer look at each little machine  
showing yet another layer of  
**complexity within complexity**.*

*It is the same with strands of DNA.*

*It is the same with the physio/chemical  
structures, as well as atomic and  
sub-atomic structures of matter.*

*It is the same with  
every single self-replicating enzyme  
which form the structural skeleton  
of every single protein molecule.*

*Yes, **complexity within complexity,**  
**within complexity**, such that it ultimately  
becomes mathematically ridiculously  
impossible to account for these structures  
and their numerous interrelations and their  
interrelatedness by random processes.*

*The amount of time being required  
for such to even potentially take place  
to far exceed any amount of time  
which ever has been,  
or ever will, be postulated.*

*This is what I call  
the “**handprints**” and “**fingerprints**”  
of our Creator.*

*He having made matters so complex  
that only a very ignorant person  
could possibly even consider that things  
just somehow "fell together" on their own.*

*It is His signature as it were,  
and will be found over and over again,  
as we begin to even barely  
scratch the surface of this,  
our current inquiry into  
the nature of what is, and what isn't,  
and what can be known, or not known.*

*So, it seems that what is claimed to be science  
is actually "science falsely so-called".*

*It being truly little more than  
a modern mythology,  
little different than the stories  
of the Sumerians, Babylonians, and Greeks.*

*Instead of calling upon some  
super-human anthropomorphization,  
these moderns, in willful ignorance,  
give the same attributes as found  
in the ancient cosmogonies to matter.*

*Just as Sumerian gods and goddesses  
were claimed to do all sorts of creative acts,  
here it is **energy**  
**and various electromagnetic forces**  
**to which are ascribed**  
**THE EXACT SAME CREATIVE POWERS.***



*First with a "big bang",  
coming out of nowhere,  
with nothing worthy of  
an attempt at description  
preceding it.*

*Intelligent force simply being replaced by  
inanimate forces, which are claimed to be  
"just in the nature of how things are".*

*Of course, this is little more than  
a grand cop-out,  
pretending to be deep philosophical insight.*

*It neither proves, nor disproves anything,  
anymore than saying that the Sumerian gods  
Anu, Ea, Enki, along with the Annunaki,  
are responsible for the creation.*

*These "moderns" simply hiding behind  
the fact that because ultimate origins  
are impossible to demonstrate  
in an empirical manner,  
therefore none of their idle speculations  
can be disproven.*

*Such that lack of ability to disprove  
is propounded as proof.*

*Truly ridiculous,  
once it is looked at more closely,  
with discriminating eyes and thought/mind.*

*They merely obfuscate the entire matter  
by hiding behind mathematical equations  
and theorems which can only be "understood"  
by a select few, who now pretend to be  
the duly appointed "keepers of the flame"  
by virtue of such abilities.*

*A grand game of "hide-and-seek", as it were.*

*By controlling the ability to "hide the ball"  
they pretend to some higher knowledge to  
which they then ascribe the label, "science".*

*The perpetrators of such being little different  
from their Sumero/Babylonian  
ancestral counterparts.*

*Yes, nothing but  
a "modernized" form of priestcraft,  
with the lab tech's clothing  
replacing the priestly garb of yesteryear.*

*It is an unmitigated fraud,  
through and through,  
so far as I am concerned,  
and little more than replacing  
one set of speculative/philosophical claims  
with another.*

*Merely a replacement of one "religion"  
by another (using "religion" in the commonly  
"understood" sense of the term).*

*Of course this **all serving to underscore  
the need for revelation.***

*That is to say, man is unable to understand  
anything worth knowing,  
when it comes to such matters as  
ultimate causation,  
without "the great whoever/whatever"  
revealing it by one means or another.*

*Such that now we are confronted with  
the problem of "seeking" that knowledge  
and the answers to the perennial problem of  
"who am I?",  
and "what am I?",  
and "why am I here?".*

*Most certainly NOT matters  
that can be ascertained  
by measuring various portions  
and pieces of the material universe.*

*We having now begun  
to enter the realm of  
what I am, here, calling  
**"true religion"**.*

## **ON THE NEED FOR REVELATORY RELIGION**

*Assuming the existence of a Creator,  
that being the only reasonable postulate,  
given the unbelievable layers upon layers of  
complexity and organization,  
one is FORCED to seek the answers  
to ultimate questions  
either directly from the source  
(i.e. the Creator)  
or by listening to the doctrines and dogmas  
of very ignorant earthbound men  
who are locked in  
their four dimensional prison  
of space/time, length, height, width,  
and depth.*

*Because I am at sea as I write this,  
I can't help but be reminded of the amoeba  
which comes out of your stomach,  
into the toilet of a cruise ship,  
only to be unceremoniously ejected  
out into the middle of the Pacific ocean.*

*What can it really know about  
the world in which it is residing ?*

*As it puts on its little amoebic lab coat  
and begins to quantify and analyze  
the waters and salts and equal-sized  
organisms which surround it on every side.*

*It thinking that it knows and understands  
what is taking place all around it,  
yet being so restricted,  
by virtue of its own  
physical and psychical limitations,  
that it is simply unable  
to perceive or understand  
the grander scheme of things.*

*It really having no ability whatsoever  
to understand the depth of the ocean  
in which it exists,  
or the existence of continental land masses,  
or the numerous stars of heaven.*

*All of which it can neither perceive,  
nor observe,  
even while being surrounded by it  
on every side.*

*And what hubris and  
incredible amount of exaggeration  
it must take  
for tiny little Mr. and Mrs. Amoeba  
to pretend that the specifics  
of their microscopic world  
can be generalized into a full and complete  
knowledge of what is and what is not.*

*Think about it for a few minutes,  
and then explain how it is  
that you and I are any different.*

*Even with the most over-active imagination,  
and with the use of  
numerous mathematical formulae,  
the poor little amoebae are restricted  
from knowing any more than any other  
equally-sized creature,  
and certainly unable to either perceive,  
or understand such matters  
as the nature of the greater universe  
in which they are residing.*

*Yes, it is all around them,  
on every side,  
yet they are lacking  
the ability to perceive and understand  
just exactly what it is  
that they are looking at  
and experiencing.*

*I would suggest that you and I  
are no different.*

*We suffer from the exact same limitations,  
yet, somehow unable to recognize  
that such truly is the case.*

*What arrogance and incredible stupidity  
must be required for our modern peers  
to pretend like they have it all figured out  
with a high degree of certainty,  
because their artificially created  
mathematical formulae tell them that it is so.*

*It truly is outlandish,  
such that it is difficult to take  
such profoundly ignorant persons seriously.*

*At the end of the day  
it can all too readily be seen  
that without guidance from  
someone/something far greater than ourselves  
we will simply remain hopelessly lost  
within the limitations of our very existence,  
with no hope of anything ever being otherwise.*

*Welcome to the land  
of metaphysical speculation,  
which will, soon enough, morph into  
something which we know of as  
"religion", with all of its amoeba-like rites*



*and rituals and practices and garb,  
which taken all together can only form  
nothing more or less than PRETENSE.*

*Yes, pretended knowledge professing itself  
to be ultimate knowledge and fact.*

*Such that one needs to stop  
and take a long, hard look  
at these pretensions long enough to reject them  
as the utter nonsense which they truly are  
and can only be proven to be  
moreso and moreso with each passing hour,  
day, week, and year.*

*Men simply cannot be trusted,  
for the most part,  
when it comes to such matters.*

*Such that if our Creator wants us  
to know anything about Himself,  
and our current predicament,  
then He must make it known to us,  
if we are ever to get past  
the very real limitations  
of our very own material existence.*

*While noting that it is just such a claim  
which the ancient Hebraic/Christian  
belief system makes.*

*While it is easy to make any claim  
one should so desire,  
here, it quickly becomes a question of  
how one can ascertain and "prove"  
such a matter as that the Creator  
has spoken plainly, and in such a manner  
that we should all sit up and take notice  
and "listen up".*

*I will here contend that such is the purpose  
of what I shall here designate as  
**"The Messianic Prophecies"**.*

*Something which cannot be so readily  
and easily manipulated by unbelieving,  
faithless men and women,  
who pretend to have personal  
and private access to such higher knowledge.*

*Remembering that extreme caution is in order,  
given that we are, here, dealing with  
subject matter wherein hucksters  
will be found to abound  
in nearly limitless quantity on every side,  
and all the moreso in this day and age.*

# **THE MESSIANIC PROPHECIES**

## **ON PROPHECY AND PROPHETS IN GENERAL**

*Given that so-called “science”  
is entirely unable to answer  
any of the questions  
which deal with ultimate causation,  
then is there any way that a truth seeker  
can find answers to any of these questions  
with a reasonable degree of certainty ?*

*Or put another way,  
has the Creator chosen  
to communicate with us in a way  
that can give us assurance of His existence ?*

*While the creation itself  
is claimed to be a witness  
in numerous different ways  
(see **Romans 1:20**),  
the holy writings which have come down to us  
in the form known to us as  
the Old Testament canon  
is based upon exactly such a claim.*

*Here the Creator God  
is said to have communicated directly  
with a number of individuals.*

*He is said to have shown Himself,  
openly and plainly,  
to one particular group of persons  
from which He chose persons  
who were intended to act as  
direct “spokesmen”, on His behalf.*

*So, how can we know  
who these persons are, or were?*

*Very simply.*

*They are/were persons  
who would tell the immediate,  
and less immediate, future histories  
of kings, persons, and “kingdoms”,  
in advance of the actual facts.*

*Only with one proviso,  
i.e. 100% accuracy is required  
(see **Deuteronomy 18**).*

*If they get even one thing wrong,  
they are to be killed  
(see **Deuteronomy 18:20** and  
**Deuteronomy 13:1-10**).*

*It is this prophetic office  
which provided us with  
the prophetic writings  
which are contained in the Old Testament.*

*It seems that any number  
of these Prophets of God  
left behind writings  
in which they made and recorded  
numerous predictions regarding  
various lands, and peoples, and kingdoms.*

*Many of the prophecies  
seeming to be downright outlandish  
at the time of their writing.*

*Beginning with Moses,  
who was said to have spoken  
face to face with God,  
the prophetic tradition begins,  
and then continues,  
“on again” and “off again”,  
until it finally, altogether ends  
with John the Baptist,  
immediately preceding  
the ministry of Jesus of Nazareth,  
"the man from Galilee".*

*This is in addition to showing numerous  
marvelous works and wonders,  
and miraculous interventions,  
by which the hand of an all-seeing,  
all-powerful being simply could not be denied  
by any rational person who cares to  
examine the matter.*

*As men watched these various historical events  
unfold before their eyes,  
in fulfillment of the numerous claims  
and predictions made by these Prophets,  
a corpus of writings began to be  
collected together as compelling evidence  
of what had happened.*

*It is within this collection of writings  
that a series of prophetic passages  
began telling of a coming “God-man”.*

*That is to say, a prediction,  
or series of predictions,  
claiming that the Creator God, Himself,  
will appear as a male human being.*

*As centuries went by,  
each of a number of different persons  
added pieces to this puzzle.*

*Over time the pieces coming together  
to form a more and more clear picture  
of what was to come,  
and a more complete picture, as well.*

*It was as if each prophetic utterance  
provided yet one more piece  
in a gigantic jigsaw puzzle.*

*By the time of Daniel the Prophet,  
who was kept prisoner  
in the court of Darius,  
during the height of Persian power,  
one particularly specific prophecy  
told that the Messiah would be "cut off"  
in his youth, within 490 years  
from the date of the giving of  
the decree of Cyrus to rebuild  
the Temple in Jerusalem (537 b.c.)  
(see **Daniel 9:24-27**;  
and see **Ezra chapter 1**; and **chapter 6**;  
and **chapter 7**).*

*Such that those who were keeping track  
of these prophetic utterances,  
spanning centuries,  
now could know exactly when to look for  
the appearing of this man,  
who was to be known as Emmanuel,  
meaning, "God with us"  
(see **Isaiah 7:14**).*

*It is because of this level of precision  
that there was Messianic expectation,  
at the time of Christ,  
throughout the Middle Eastern lands,  
and particularly in  
the tiny little kingdom of Judah,  
where this prophetic tradition was centered.*

*People were watching for  
and waiting for  
the coming of a man,  
who must be born  
not too long before the expiration  
of the 490 years.*

*It seems to be no coincidence  
that the three Magi  
(magicians/soothsayers,  
from the very same Persian court  
where Daniel's prophecy was made,  
approximately 500 years earlier)  
were searching for a newborn babe,  
who would be known as "the Son of God",  
at the time of the birth of Jesus of Nazareth.*

*It also being, for the same reason,  
the basis of the belief of Herod  
that a usurper King was about to be born,  
causing him to have children  
under two years of age to be murdered  
(see **Matthew 2:16**),  
causing the fulfillment of several more  
Messianic prophecies  
(see **Matthew 2:17-18** and **Jeremiah 31:15**).*



*Yes, there was tremendous expectation  
throughout the land,  
for the reason that the Creator God  
had spoken through one of his Prophets  
to tell, within several years of time,  
exactly when to expect the fulfillment  
of over 1200 years of biblical prophecies.*

*Each prediction adding to those made prior,  
to form a more and more complete picture.*

*Notice how this was done  
in a way such that it did not depend upon  
the whims of any one man,  
or the peculiar beliefs of  
any one or two generations  
or groups of persons.*

*The prophecies being made in such a manner  
as to preclude the possibility of  
the kind of lying hucksterism  
to which we are currently exposed  
on a nearly ongoing basis,  
as numerous modern false prophets  
and false brethren pretend to know all about  
the future and exactly how it will unfold.*

*Of course, these moderns  
are wrong over and over again,  
which would have gotten  
a real prophet wannabe  
to pay for his (or her) chicanery  
with his/her life.*

*The Lord God spending centuries,  
for over one millennium,  
laying the groundwork  
for what was to come.*

*The exact genealogical lineage  
being spelled out in great detail,  
such that there could be no faking  
the evidence.*

*The true significance of many of the passages  
being just unclear enough (dark sayings)  
such that people didn't even realize,  
until after the fact,  
just how pertinent many of  
these previously obscure passages  
actually are or were.*

*It is against this backdrop  
that I would like to remind you,  
dear reader,  
about HOW the Creator  
is claimed to have revealed himself*

*to the family members of the human family  
which would ultimately  
give birth to the Messiah,  
known as "the lion of the tribe of Judah",  
among other names.*

*For purposes of this immediate discussion  
I will skip ahead to the patriarch Abraham,  
while most certainly not intending to  
thereby diminish the various persons  
preceding him (e.g. Adam, Noah, Enoch, etc.).*

*God talked directly to Abraham.*

*It is here that a pattern begins to emerge,  
which will be seen through both  
the Old Testament  
and New Testament writings.*

*This being what I am herein referring to  
as **true religion**.*

*Direct revelation from the Creator  
to the created being.*

*An intense direct communion between the two.*

*Sometimes by use of dreams,  
and sometimes face-to-face,  
as the Creator appears in different forms  
which we refer to as "**theophanies**".*

*"Abraham believed God  
and it was counted to him  
for righteousness"  
(see **Genesis 15:6** and **Romans 4:3**).*

*This is a fundamental premise  
of a number of arguments  
which are made by the Apostle Paul  
regarding the doctrine of soteriology  
(i.e. the doctrine of salvation).*

*According to the account  
in the book of Genesis,  
God made promises to Abraham  
(**Hebrews 6:13-15**).*

*Abraham was also said to be seeking another,  
non-earthly, kingdom (**Hebrews 11:10**).*

*Note these two key elements:*

*1. seeking our Creator;*

*and*

*2. our Creator speaking directly  
to certain individuals,  
such that actual statements  
regarding the content of these conversations  
have been recorded and transmitted*

*from one generation to the next,  
either in a written form,  
or in the form of an oral tradition.*

*Abraham is called "a friend of God"  
(see **Isaiah 41:8** and **James 2:23**).*

*That is to say he has  
a certain degree of personal intimacy  
with his Creator.*

*Abraham hears instructions  
which are said to emanate from God  
(see **Genesis 12, 15, and 17**, for examples).*

*He is told to go to another land  
(see **Genesis 12:1**).*

*He is told of promises of **a seed**  
which will come forth out of his loins,  
a child of promise (see **Genesis 12:7**  
and **Galatians 3:16**).*

*Various covenantal promises are made to him  
(for example, **Genesis 12:1-3**).*

*Exact statements are made to him,  
such that it can be said that  
Abraham was having a two-way conversation  
with the deity (see, for example, **Genesis 15**).*

*Abraham is a man of visions and revelations  
(see, for example, **Genesis 15**).*

*His grandson Jacob  
continues this familial tradition,  
as he sees a ladder going up to Heaven,  
with angels ascending and descending  
(see **Genesis 28:10-22**).*

*He is said to have wrestled  
with the Angel of the Lord.*

*A physical confrontation  
during which Jacob receives injury to his leg,  
thereby forcing him to concede victory  
to his opponent (see **Genesis 32:24-32**).*

*And there he is named “**Israel**”,  
**a prince of God** (see **Genesis 32:28**).*

*He being given this name by God, Himself.*

*His son Joseph is a man  
who has dreams and visions,  
and who is thought to be so wise,  
and in contact with higher powers,  
that he ends up as nothing less  
than a counselor to the Pharaoh,  
ruler of Egypt,*

*where he has been sent as a captive,  
thanks to the treachery of his brothers  
(see **Genesis 39–45**).*

***Jacob/Israel** is said to have produced  
offspring in the form of **12 sons**,  
who would become known as  
the **12 tribes of Israel** (see **Genesis 35**).*

*Upon his deathbed he makes  
prophetic statements (see **Genesis 49**),  
including one in which Judah  
is said to be a lions whelp,  
giving rise to the title  
**"lion of the tribe of Judah"**,  
which becomes **a synonym for**  
**Christos/Messiah** (see **Genesis 49:9**).*

*A pattern is thus further beginning to emerge,  
whereby God is in close contact with  
specific persons,  
who were very aware of His presence,  
and to whom He is communicating  
precise information,  
by means of dreams and visions,  
and outright conversations.*

*A pattern which will be seen to repeat  
over and over again throughout both  
the Old and New Testaments.*

*This being what I refer to as "**true religion**".*

*Not a series of rites and rituals  
into which it would, soon enough, degenerate,  
but rather, a relationship.*

*Or should I say a very personal relationship ?*

*And a very active and real relationship  
by which the earthbound recipient  
is assured of the existence of his Creator,  
who is directing his steps,  
while communicating specific  
and precise information to him.*

*A little over 400 years after Joseph,  
his descendant, Moses,  
is said to have been  
out wandering one day  
during which he sees a marvelous sight.*

*A bush which is burning,  
yet not consumed by the flame  
(see **Exodus 3**).*

*Upon investigating the matter he is informed  
that he is in the presence of deity.*

*Again, he is given very precise information  
and directions (see **Exodus 3:1-22**).*



*It is at this juncture  
that God tells what will now become  
known as His own covenantal name,  
YHWH,  
implying a bond of very intimate union  
between Creator and created being  
(see **Exodus 3:14**).*

*And then after preparing Moses by means of  
powerful signs and wonders, the deity  
manifested Himself to all who were called out  
of Egypt, out into the wilderness,  
where another pattern begins to emerge.*

*A pattern of saying one thing,  
while doing another.*

*Of proclaiming obedience,  
while continuing in disobedience.*

*Yet all the while carrying about with  
numerous rites and rituals by which  
**true religion** is quickly transformed  
into a new form of false religion.*

*The earlier “**true religion**”, which is  
formed by intimate union, culminating in  
profound obedience, no matter what the cost,  
is now transformed into outward conformity,  
which is then used as a shield behind which to  
hide the most profound disobedience,*

*as already sick hearts continue to become  
sicker and sicker, whereby **true religion**  
is replaced by PERSONS who have chosen to  
"play religion" in place of taking part in the  
real thing.*

*The cares of today far overwhelming  
the thoughts for the morrow,  
and for the eternal state into which all will,  
soon enough, enter into (see **Matthew 13:22**).*

*These being the prototypes  
of what I, here, refer to, modernly,  
as "**Churchianity**",  
where we all get together  
and "play church".*

*Just as little boys and girls play house,  
and play doctor,  
and play cowboys and Indians.*

*All make-believe.*

*And most certainly incapable of changing  
wicked hearts into anything worthy of the  
name "righteous" and "pure".*

*And where true, sacrificial love  
is replaced by a system  
which is all about "what is in it for me".*

*All things revolving around “me, me, me”.*

*I call this system "**Churchianity**",  
because EVERYTHING !  
revolves around a building,  
which they call a Church.*

*Building funds, parking lots, new carpets,  
baptismal fountains, new sound systems, etc., etc.*

*It being a make-believe system,  
which is entirely void of any ability  
to effect change toward real godliness  
and purity and separation from worldliness.*

*Yet all the while practicing rites and rituals  
which pretend to be able to make one a better  
person, spiritually speaking.*

*"A form of godliness,  
while denying the power thereof"  
as the New Testament so well  
states the matter (see **II Timothy 3:5**).*

*Yes, **another Christ**,  
and **another gospel**,  
and **another spirit**,  
if ever there was one  
(see **II Corinthians 11:4**  
and **Galatians 1:8-9**).*

*But, as the Apostle Paul warns us,  
not really another gospel, but rather  
a twisting of the gospel.*

*A twisting to their own destruction,  
as I am given to understand the matter  
(see **II Peter 3:16**).*

## ***A DIGRESSION***

*Going back to where we started from,  
so --- what is “**true religion**”, anyways ?*

*This phrase consists of two words.*

*One is not so hard to figure out,  
i.e. what is true ?*

*The other is not so easy to figure out,  
i.e. what is religion ?*

*Let's begin with religion.*

*As I am using this word it does not mean  
what YOU probably think of when you think  
about such matters.*

*For example, belief, cult, doctrine, rites,  
rituals, practices, duties owed, etc.*

*Of course, this is NOT !!  
what I am talking about, here.*

*Rather, I am using the word “religion”  
to mean our hyper-personal relationship  
with our Creator.*

*That is to say,  
is He at the center of every single thought,  
action, and deed ?*

*Or is He tangential ?*

*Some huge Santa Claus in the sky,  
just waiting to rain goodies down upon us ?*

*Is He just there when we are overwhelmed  
by helplessness and material need ?*

*Or is He our reason for life ?*

*Creed and doctrine having little or nothing  
to do with it.*

*But, rather, a true relationship  
with someone or something  
which we know to exist,  
based upon past and present experience ?*

*Are we being constantly touched,  
and are WE constantly touching and feeling ?*

*Do we have an inner two-way conversation  
on a continuous basis ?*

*Or is all that we think of as religion  
nothing more than rites, rituals,  
customs, and duties owed ?*

*Once we have defined religion,  
in the way which I am, here, defining it,  
then it doesn't take long to figure out  
what the "true" part of **true religion** is.*

*Another word for it being "actuality".*

*"True" as in "actual".*

*In other words are we playing religion  
as so many play church ?*

*Forcing our inner selves into some self-serving  
outward form of actions to impress all of those  
around us ?*

*Or is **true religion** reality/actuality-based  
inner response to the calling of the  
Holy Spirit ?*

*Am I answering the call, or am I just playing  
games, in hope of getting something out of it  
for me and mine ?*

*Now, let's try to redefine our terms  
using meaningful synonyms.*

**True religion** is our actual relationship  
with our Creator,  
having been actuated by  
His reaching down and touching us,  
while making Himself known to us.

*Being called to self-sacrificial service.*

*A giving up of ourselves,  
so that He may more fully work in us,  
upon us, and through us.*

*An actual hyper-personal relationship,  
actuated by God,  
and NOT man.*

*Please note that there is little or no place  
for priests and ministers,  
and other such-like professional hucksters  
(known by their constant money grubbing  
with hands ALWAYS out demanding that  
YOU give THEM your time, labor,  
and hard-earned substance).*

*No place or need for any people at all  
(see **I John 2:27**).*

*What I like to refer to as "closet religion",  
i.e. just the Spirit of the Lord God Omnipotent  
communicating with my badly wounded  
and mangled human spirit.*



*Nobody knows, or needs to know,  
what exactly is going on  
between me and my Creator.*

*And so far as I am concerned,  
it is NONE of their business.*

*Never has been, and never will be.*

*An actual relationship,  
unimpeded by my need, or desire,  
to impress my fellow human beings  
with my apparent religiosity !*

*That's right, I can, do, and will  
refuse to allow any of my fellow humans  
to be, or become, the arbiter  
of my actual private  
and very secret relationship  
with my God and Creator.*

*Not letting the left hand know  
what the right hand is doing,  
as it were (see **Matthew 6:1-4**).*

*Note that this simply CANNOT be faked.*

*When only my God and myself  
know what exactly it is  
that is going on in my prayer life,  
in my own sacred inner sanctuary,  
there is, quite simply,  
no room for “men pleasing” and such like.*

*That is what makes it **true**.*

*There is no lying or deception,  
because it is, and will be, utterly pointless.*

*I knowing that I cannot fool or deceive  
He who knows all,  
and who knows my heart and inner being,  
far better than I do.*

*I use the written Word of God  
as my guidebook.*

*I refer to the written word of God  
as "the Living Word".*

*This is because it truly is alive.*

*It will get inside of you and change you  
from the inside.*

*It is the Living Word,  
as revealed by the Holy Spirit,  
that shows us our desperate condition,  
and leads us to the Son of God, Christos.*

*It is by the written word that we learn of Him.*

*And we also learn of ourselves,  
and exactly why it is that we are unfit  
to enter into the Holy of Holies.*

*Into the presence of the living God,  
whom we know of as our Heavenly Father,  
or, Our Father Who art in Heaven.*

*He is light,  
and we are darkness.*

*Turn on a light in a dark room,  
and take note of what happens to the darkness  
that surrounds you just moments before.*

*The light simply destroys the darkness,  
as well as the power of darkness.*

*Where the light lands, the darkness is,  
quite simply, vanquished.*

*Also take note of the fact that  
we were surrounded by numerous objects  
that were simply not visible to us  
before being revealed by the light.*

*It was all there, all along.*

*And while we may grope around the room,  
and feel that there are, indeed,  
unseen things and forces at play,  
it is simply not to be compared to  
the comprehension that comes from  
having the lights turned on.*

*A similar effect takes place  
as our own very dark and sinful selves  
come into the presence of HIS light.*

*The closer you come into His light  
the more you will realize  
just how full of darkness you really are.*

*Because so few actually draw close enough  
to realize the utter state of ruin and darkness  
in which they exist,  
there are not many who can tell you,  
firsthand, what it is like  
to be fully enveloped in fear,  
quickly approaching terror,*

*as the all-consuming fire,  
which is our God,  
begins to shake us down  
to our very foundations,  
as the darkness within  
becomes all the darker  
when contrasted with His light.*

*It is the Living Word  
which first makes us aware of such things.*

*It acting as a warning  
of what is soon enough to come.*

*For one will also soon enough realize  
just how powerful a hold  
the forces of darkness have upon us.*

*We being not just inclined towards sin,  
but, rather, being horribly in love with it,  
while being very unwilling to let go of it.*

*Yes, just like the moth that insists on  
flying into the flame,  
no matter how many times you try to deflect it  
from its self-willed path to utter destruction.*

*All will deny that such is the case,  
as they beat their little moth wings  
faster and faster,*

*as they work and strive harder and harder  
to fly directly into the flame that will  
most assuredly be their undoing.*

*Such that whenever you see or hear anyone  
acting as if they are such a "friend of God",  
you should be highly suspect.*

*The written word, by revelation,  
given by the Holy Spirit,  
leads us to Christ.*

*And Christ leads us to the Father.*

*Notice that there is no need for  
idle speculation,  
as is found amongst the numerous purveyors  
of would-be religiosity.*

*No need to try to figure out what is happening,  
or what to do about it.*

*It being all plainly written out,  
for all to see.*

*It being so obvious  
that numerous false religions  
and belief systems  
had to be created and maintained  
by the dark lord,*

*in order to cause hopeless confusion,  
and to deflect and distract from  
what is all too plain for ALL to see.*

*Persons pretending as if the plain statements  
of Holy Writ are somehow too difficult  
to understand.*

*They having turned  
the simplicity which is in Christ,  
and into Christ,  
into some grand, complex mystery,  
the meaning of which can only be ascertained  
by a select few (see **II Corinthians 11:3**).*

*They even having created numerous writings  
(bible substitutes and mimicries),  
along with false doctrines,  
which they hold up alongside  
the true and actual written Word of God,  
as being, somehow, in equality with it.*

*And then let the confusion begin in earnest,  
as all waste their time  
coming up with ways it can be, or may be,  
rather than using their very short time  
on this earth practicing what the holy  
scriptures so plainly teach.*

*That is,*

***let your sin find you out  
then acknowledge it  
seek forgiveness  
and change your course of action***

*(change of direction being the meaning of  
repentance/metanoia).*

*Coming before the Father,  
through our High Priest, Jesus,  
while seeking mystical union  
with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*That's it.*

***Couldn't get much simpler than that.***

*Our ability to see the unseen  
becoming more advanced and profound  
as engrafted faith,  
based on experience of living for, and with,  
our Heavenly Creator/Father,  
causes us to continue, ever onward.*

*He becoming more real to us  
the more we dedicate ourselves to His service;  
and the more we learn to live our faith  
on a day-to-day,  
and moment by moment basis.*



*Not blind faith, but living faith.*

*This being why one must be  
so suspicious of men.*

*They will take the simplicity which is in  
Christ, and into Christ  
(see **II Corinthians 11:3**)  
and put it out of reach,  
as they will most assuredly put the yoke  
of the law back upon you (see **Galatians 5:1**),  
so that they may enslave you  
by use of misdirection  
and pretended “secret knowledge”.*

*Thereby turning what should be clear as day  
into an unfathomable mystery.*

*Misleading and misdirecting,  
by use of numerous carnal concerns  
and methods.*

*One need only look to the Pharisees  
of Jesus’ day,  
as well as the Hellenistic Judaizers  
and Herodians (Edomites) of His day,  
soon enough followed by  
the so-called Talmudic sages,  
and their Romanist papist progeny,  
for numerous examples.*

*One (Talmudists) writing a whole series of new books full of idle speculation, while the other (Romanist/papist offspring) creates the legalistic mumbo jumbo system, complete with worship of the Queen of Heaven, Inanna/Istar/Astarte/Isis/Ashtoreth/Athena/Artemis/Demeter/Minerva with her new name of Mary, Queen of Heaven.*

*This **antichrist system** designed to supplant the system of the Father crying out to us, "come let us reason together, though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow" (see **Isaiah 1:18**).*

*(note: anti means "to replace", in New Testament Greek, hence, a replacing of Christ, in addition to meaning "to be in opposition" to Christ)*

*The Father crying out to us, not because the law has been annulled, or abrogated, but because it has been fulfilled, to the letter, by Christos, who has become our atonement/covering (see **Matthew 5:17** and **Romans 5:11**).*

*Our sins having been covered  
by His precious blood,  
just as was seen on the Day of Atonement  
(see **Leviticus 23:27**),  
as the High Priest entered the Holy of Holies  
and poured blood on the Mercy Seat of the Ark,  
as the angels of heaven symbolically  
spread their wings over the lid of the Ark,  
inside containing the tables of the law,  
Aaron's rod that budded,  
and a pot of manna that does not decay  
(see **Hebrews 9:4**).*

*Representing the law,  
the righteous works of man,  
and the miracles of God,  
all combining together  
as symbolic of our godly lives,  
here on this wicked Earth.*

*Just as one cannot see through the blood,  
which is acting as the type  
of the spilling of the precious blood of Messiah,  
so the Father does not see your filthy sinful self  
through the blood which was so selflessly shed  
on Golgotha.*

*Yes, the law has been fulfilled  
(see **Matthew 5:17**).*

*No need to go back under its yoke.*

*For now, all who have been cleansed  
by His blood are free, in Christ  
(see **John 8:36, Romans 6:18, 22, 8:2,**  
**Galatians 5:1, 13, I Peter 2:16, and James 1:25)**)*

*Not as a license to do evil,  
but as a way to make it so that  
we have only one need and desire,  
which is to serve Him,  
and to be more like Him.*

*The law of expedience replacing  
the law of Moses, as it were.*

*My main concern now being  
only what I can do to come into  
closer mystical union with the Father,  
the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
by obedience and faithfulness unto Him.*

# **ON SEPARATION**

*"and I heard another voice from heaven,  
saying, come out of her my people,  
that ye be not partakers of her sins,  
and that ye receive not of her plagues"*

*Revelation 18:4*

*"but as he which hath called you is holy,  
so be ye holy in all manner of conversation  
(i.e. conduct), because it is written,  
be ye holy, for I am holy"*

*IPeter 1:15-16*

*"For I am the Lord your God:  
ye shall, therefore, sanctify yourselves  
and ye shall be holy; for I am holy"*

*Leviticus 11:44*

*(re: eating "any creeping thing")*

*holy = hagios*

*Bauer Greek Lexicon =  
"reserved for God and his service"*

*Thayers Greek Lexicon =  
"set apart for God, to be,  
as it were, exclusively His"*

*I like to think of holiness  
as being synonymous with separation.*

*The root of the Greek word "hagios" is "hag".*

*Its basic meaning is awe.*

*Our God, being, above all else, awe-some.*

*His presence being awe-inspiring.*

*It seems that linguists  
can't help but equate awesomeness  
with being set apart.*

*We are set apart  
for the being who has so awed us.*

*In the above-cited lexical entries, note:*

*"reserved for God",  
and "set apart for God".*

*After considering these matters for a long time  
I find myself being forced to conclude  
that separation from  
the world (the flesh and the devil)  
is the essence of **true religion**.*

*I was probably 18 years old,  
while studying the history of religions,  
when I came across something known as  
"separatist" Baptists.*

*I was already aware of Quakers,  
18th century "Puritans",  
Amish,  
and other such-like groups,  
so that I did have SOME familiarity  
with the concept of separation from this world  
and from worldliness.*

*I thought about John the Baptist,  
and Elijah,  
and Jesus escaping into the wilderness.*

*Of Abraham wandering.*

*Of Noah in his Ark,  
and of numerous Protestants,  
thrown into dark dungeons,  
for having the audacity  
of sharing their newfound knowledge  
of the Greek New Testament  
with their neighbors and fellow countrymen.*

*So, what do all of these  
have in common, exactly ?*

*Being alone !!*

*Or more precisely,  
being alone, while having  
one constant companion,  
who they will not set aside  
for any worldly concerns.*

*There it is,  
the flesh warring with the spirit  
(see **Galatians 5:17**).*

*The flesh being unable to comply,  
while the spirit becomes more and more  
willing, wanting, and desiring  
intimate union with our Heavenly Father,  
and his blessed Son,  
and His Holy Spirit !!,  
to the exclusion of all else  
(see **Romans 8**).*



*The ultimate goal of “**true religion**”,  
being, therefore,  
to be ye separate,  
because HE is separate.*

*We are a people set apart,  
for a purpose.*

*This world holding nothing for us,  
but grief and longing for that other world,  
and that other country.*

*The one for which faithful Abraham,  
our spiritual father, was seeking  
(see **Hebrews 11:16 ff**).*

*This is, after all, what being  
the heirs to the promises  
made to Abraham means  
(see **Galatians 3:7**).*

*We do not seek carnal things.*

*Knowing that this world  
is ultimately destined  
to be consumed by flames,  
in eternal judgment,  
at the parousia/coming of our Lord,  
in flaming vengeance  
(see **II Peter 3:12**).*

*So that, if worldliness,  
and the enticements of the flesh  
put one at enmity with our Creator,  
then how is it possible that  
rock concerts,  
prophecy seminars,  
(i.e. ear tickling conventions),  
barbecues and picnics,  
are what so many claim is to be our calling ?*

*And all of this with spiritual pride,  
and a great outward show of religiosity,  
no less.*

*Do you really suppose that this  
is what the red letters (words of Christ)  
are intended to teach us ?*

*How am I to tell these persons from the world,  
when they are, in fact, as worldly  
as any person or group could possibly be ?*

*And how does this look alongside  
Isaiah,  
Elijah,  
John the Baptist,  
and our blessed Lord.*

*Can you even imagine those  
behaving as a busload of these persons act ?*

*I am unable to reconcile the two, myself.*

*Isaiah was sawn in two for his witness  
(see **Hebrews 11:37**).*

*John the Baptist was beheaded  
in trade for the dance  
of an enticing young girl  
(see **Mark 6:14-29**).*

*Elijah spent much of his life  
being chased by King Ahab and Jezebel,  
who were both intent on killing him  
(see **I Kings 19**).*

*The 5000 whom Jesus had just fed,  
departed, just as quickly as they were able,  
once he started pointing out  
the true cost of discipleship  
(see **John 6:60-61**).*

*Jesus told us that those  
calling themselves Judaeans  
are not,  
but are rather,  
a synagogue of Satan,  
and that they had  
ruthlessly murdered the Prophets,  
and now the Son of God, Himself  
(see **Revelation 2:9 and 3:9**).*

*This being further elaborated  
by the testimony of Stephen,  
the first martyr (see **Acts 6:8-8:3**).*

*Dancing,  
and barbecues,  
and picnics,  
and continuous shakedowns for money,  
and building funds,  
and parking lots*

*is what has come to replace  
the good news (gospel)  
of which we read  
in both the Old and New Testaments.*

*That's right, money, money, money (\$\$\$).*

*And girl meets nice boy;  
and boy meets nice girl.*

*And food and entertainment.*

*Which side of this equation  
do you suppose John the Baptist  
was standing as his fate was sealed ?*

*Which side are you standing on ?*

*Alone with John, and our blessed Lord,  
or as one of the partygoers,  
watching aghast, as one of the most horrible  
decisions ever made bears it's rotten fruits ?*

*Remember, Herod, who murdered John,  
ultimately split open, as worms gushed out of  
his inward parts (see **Acts 12:21-23**).*

*Perfectly illustrating the difference between  
**true religion** and false.*

*Wasn't it a party, being hosted by those  
who had just crossed the Red Sea,  
that Moses came down to after 40 days on the  
mount in the wilderness of Sinai ?  
(see **Exodus 32:1-35**)*

*This being what you will inevitably get,  
should you decide that  
your group membership  
is more important than standing alone,  
in a self-imposed wilderness.*

*Yes, separation/holiness  
is the diametric opposite of carnality,  
worldliness, and entertaining of the flesh.*

*Okay now, here is the kicker.*

*All of this abhorrent behavior  
is supposed to, somehow,  
magically become o.k.,  
because we are "saving souls for Jesus"  
(see **I Samuel 15:14-23**).*

*Something which they  
ridiculously, and deceitfully call  
bringing persons to "accept Christ".*

*Yes, because their prey are worldly as can be,  
and because a continuous stream of them  
are necessary to pay for their building fund,  
they must lower themselves,  
and my God,  
and my religion,  
down to the level of  
the lowest common denominator.*

*The New Testament warns us  
that "by their fruits you will know them"  
(see **John 7:20**).*

*I would dare say  
that if your moral relativism,  
which is what this truly is, after all,  
leads you to debasing yourself  
in the manners which I have just described,  
then you just MAY want to rethink  
your very untenable position.*

*My favorite, at this hour,  
is all of the Judaizing,  
and searching for end time signs,  
and blood moons,  
and invasions of the Palestinian homeland  
by some pretended end time person,  
being little more than a figment  
of their highly fevered imaginations.*

*Didn't Jesus say that  
"a wicked and adulterous generation  
seeks after a sign"  
and that the only sign to be given will be  
"the sign of Jonas" ? (see **Matthew 16:4**)*

*Then how can you possibly  
reconcile the claims  
of these would-be end time prophets,  
with the Word of God, itself ?*

*Were we not warned,  
any number of times,  
in the New Testament,  
that these persons would be coming ?  
(see **II Peter 2:1-22**; **II Peter 2:1**;  
**Matthew 7:15**; **Jude 1:14-21**; **Acts 20:31**)*

*Such that there is simply no excuse  
for not recognizing the rottenness  
which their "system" so amply demonstrates ?*

*The Apostle John being abundantly clear,  
in contrast,  
that you have no need that men teach you,  
because you have a charisma/anointing  
from the Holy Spirit of God,  
which will NOT lead you into error  
(see **I John 2:27**).*

*And what of **Jeremiah 31:31** and following,  
wherein we are told of the New Covenant,  
whereby our heart of stone will be removed,  
and replaced with a heart of flesh ?  
(see also **Ezekiel 36:26-27**)*

*And that we would have no need  
to ask anything,  
because the law will be written in our hearts ?  
(see **Jeremiah 31:33-34**)*



*Yes, as the very Holy Spirit within us  
causes us to cry out "Abba, father",  
being interpreted, "Daddy, father".*

*That is to say, crying out  
with a very high degree of intimacy.*

*Such that we are nowhere near  
separated FROM this world,  
as we are separated TO --- Him.*

*If the world and the flesh  
are at enmity with the Father,  
the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
then why would any true child  
of our blessed Lord and Savior,  
and his Heavenly Father,  
want to even allow the appearance of  
worldliness and fleshliness to be any part  
of their walk and life ?*

*Isn't that what separation means,  
after all ?*

*Separation from the world,  
the flesh, and the devil ?*

*Such that for the first 300 years after Christ,  
those claiming themselves to be  
the followers of "**the way**"  
refused to take part in politics or war.*

*And typically, at great cost.*

*Including forfeiture of life, liberty,  
and property.*

*How is it that these moderns  
claim and pretend that  
we are all supposed to be involved with  
these very things  
(i.e. politics and  
worldly warfare/mass murder) ?*

*Oh, and you've got to love this.*

*They are doing all of this  
for lost souls,  
and for false Babylonian Talmudists,  
calling themselves "Jews",  
by which they mean deniers of Christ,  
no less (see **I John 4:3** and **II John 1:7**).*

*Those pretending to be  
"the ancient Israel of God",  
who are designated as "antichrist",  
and the "synagogue of satan",  
by the New Testament writers.*

*And this, in spite of the fact that  
the Word is abundantly clear  
that those who have  
saving faith in Christ  
are the true heirs to the promises  
(see **Galatians 3:1-18**).*

*Why would anyone want to support  
these purveyors of patent fraud ?*

*Especially when they have  
repeatedly and consistently  
shown themselves to be  
so murderous and deceitful ?*

*Hmmmmmm ---*

*Who is it that was a murderer and a liar  
from the beginning, anyway ?*

*Even being said to be "the father of lies" ?  
(see **John 8:44**)*

*Surely something seems to be amiss here.*

*And if we are told to avoid  
even "the appearance of impropriety"  
in our worldly pursuits,  
how much more so when it comes to  
the things of God, do you suppose ?*

*Is this the example which our blessed Lord taught us during his earthly ministry ?*

*Or wouldn't I be quite correct in saying, "very much not so" ?*

*Then, what exactly are these man-made systems REALLY about, anyway ?!*

*What is the actual driving force behind it, do you suppose ?*

***SLAVERY  
ENSLAVEMENT  
MIND CONTROL  
BEHAVIOR CONTROL  
and  
GROUPTHINK !!***

*We are supposed to live free in Christ  
(see **Galatians 5:1**).*

*We are supposed to be in a state of liberty,  
in Christ.*

*But, these will put a yoke about your neck,  
just as fast as they are able.*

*EVERYTHING will consist of  
rules, rules, and more rules.*

*All manmade.*

*But, while claiming that they are requirements  
for obtaining heavenly salvation.*

*The Word teaches that  
we are to be led by the Spirit  
(see **Romans 8:14-17**).*

*But these claim that we owe THEM  
all of our time and energy,  
as they PRETEND to be  
God's earthly representatives.*

*Of course, this is all couched in terms of  
"serving God", and "planting churches",  
and "evangelizing poor lost souls".*

*While they WILL NEVER TELL YOU  
whose name is on the title deed  
to their buildings,  
and who reaps ALL of the gains  
from the proceeds of sales  
of "church" buildings,  
and other associated properties.*

*Lawyers,  
and accountants,  
and real estate deals,  
and book deals,  
and concert tours,  
and plenty of self-promotion,  
and self-dealing,  
and self-aggrandizement.*

*Commercialized (\$\$\$) religion,  
to the max.*

*It seems that the concept of  
"don't make my Father's house an emporium"  
has somehow escaped these persons  
(see **John 2:16**).*

*I'm sure the great works  
which they pretend to do  
far outweighing  
the need to obey God and Christ  
(see **I Samuel 15:13-15**).*

*And in this regard,  
one must never forget that  
where there are large amounts of assets,  
there will be numerous thieves,  
and other like-minded persons,  
who will be powerfully attracted,  
as if to a magnet.*

*And you can rest assured  
that they will maneuver themselves,  
just as quickly as possible,  
into the driver's seat,  
so that they may  
more readily and thoroughly plunder  
(just take a look around you,  
at who is running YOUR little enterprise,  
if you dare).*

*This being why “**true religion**” and  
commercialized religion are at enmity  
with one another, by their very natures.*

*Never forget that it was Judas Iscariot  
who controlled the cash box,  
and who was pilfering it,  
as did Ananias and Sapphira after him.*

*It seems that this has been a problem  
long before today and now.*

*Am I expected to believe  
that the nature of mammon worshipers  
has changed between here and there ?  
(note: mammon = material goods)*

*Is anything really any different  
between then and now ?*

*Same sinners.*

*Same temptations.*

*While remembering that  
in order to destroy your eternal soul,  
one of Satan's favorite tools  
is the use of distraction and diversion.*

*This being the specialty of  
the religious hucksters.*

*All of your focus being upon  
fulfilling the needs and desires and aspirations  
of your cultic leader and his followers,  
"the true believers",  
who claim to be holding "the keys to life".*



*In contrast,  
I like to think of our Heavenly Creator  
as the source of ALL positive energy,  
while we are but conduits  
through which this positive energy  
can, and should, flow continuously.*

*For, just as the Sun is reflected  
by the Moon at night,  
so we are to become a reflection  
of HIS heavenly glory,  
while yet in this darkened earthly prison.*

*We becoming as thousands  
of little points of light,  
in an otherwise very dark night.*

*The darker the night is,  
the brighter we shine.*

*But while ALWAYS remembering that  
we are but a reflector.*

*No God and Jesus in our life means  
NO reflection can be had.*

*This, of course, serving to further illustrate  
the need for personal purity and cleanliness  
in ALL conduct.*

*Because, in order to remain in His presence,  
certain behavior and conduct will be required.*

*Not as a matter of law,  
but as a matter of expedience  
i.e. what is going to get and keep me  
in continuous ongoing contact  
with my Creator,  
such that I may radiate  
HIS peace and glory.*

*Once one has a grasp  
of the utter depravity of fallen man,  
and the utter sovereignty of  
the One who has the moral and legal right  
to make one vessel for honor  
and another for dishonor  
(see **Romans 9:21**),  
and who hardened Pharaoh's heart,  
so that he would make and follow his own path  
(he did it HIS way) into utter destruction  
by gigantic waves,  
one can see and realize that our Creator  
is a very scary person and power, indeed  
(see **Exodus 7:13-8:19; 9:12; 10:20; 14:4**).*

*With one person He may harden their heart,  
while with another He may just leave them to  
their own devices (see **Psalms 81:12** and  
**Romans 1:24**), letting them have  
the fruits/wages of their carnal labor,*

*remembering that “the wages of sin is death”  
(see **Romans 6:23**), such that leaving them to  
their own devices is probably the worst thing  
possible for them.*

*Especially as layer upon layer  
of neural matter is being continuously created  
through neurogenesis.*

*Soon enough the layers of neurons  
will cause evil thoughts  
to become all-consuming,  
like a switch that is always turned to "on",  
but NEVER to "off".*

*With righteous thoughts, hopefully,  
the same thing will happen,  
but with positive thoughts and energy,  
while bringing along with it  
the Fruits of the Spirit,  
the most important of which  
is to love (= self-sacrifice).*

*To love yourself.*

*To love your neighbor,  
while remembering the adage  
“peace on earth and goodwill toward men”.*

*And above all else, to love your God,  
with all of your mind, body, heart, and soul.*

*Our blessed Lord being in every single thought  
which is formed deep inside of us.*

*The true believer not willing  
to do ANYTHING without seeking  
heavenly guidance and counsel.*

*Every single thought being subjected  
to this process as it originates,  
and LONG before any action  
based upon such thoughts  
ever even has opportunity to happen.*

*It is as our sin “finds us out”  
(see **Numbers 32:23**)  
that we are motivated by the Holy Spirit,  
and made to be willing to do nothing  
other than to serve our Creator,  
and to put ourselves totally at His call.*

*Being willing to drop anything  
and everything on a moment's notice,  
when believed to be necessary.*

*It is as if the Cloud of Glory  
has begun to move away  
from the encampment in the wilderness.*

*If I want to remain in His presence,  
then I must drop EVERYTHING  
in order to follow Him.*

*Never forgetting that  
when the Glory of the Lord left the Tabernacle,  
never to be seen there again,  
as some cried "Ichabod",  
meaning "the Lord hath departed"  
(see **I Samuel 4:21**),  
others simply continued on,  
all the way up to and following  
the coming of the Messiah, Son of God.*

*It is as if they didn't even notice  
that He was no longer in their presence.*

*And that He left because of disgust and  
repugnance caused by their faithlessness.*

*This, while the outward appearance  
of their religion continued on,  
as if the presence of the covenantal God  
is no longer a matter over which  
one should be overly concerned.*

*In this regard, it seems to me  
that these modern, stillborn,  
pretended purveyors of gospel truth  
should take note and consider the following  
for just one moment.*

*That is, if you can have  
a temple made of stone  
which has become “Ichabod”,  
yet every person simply carries on  
as if it were not so,  
then what of the temple  
which is made without hands ?*

*Is it possible that you and I could be Ichabod,  
yet not even know it ?*

*Could our little cultic centers  
be void of God's Spirit ?*

*But with another spirit --- ?  
(see **II Corinthians 11:4**)*

*When I look into the mirror  
at the bodily temple in which  
I currently reside, in the flesh,  
should I be crying out “Ichabod” ?*

*So, continuing,  
what exactly are the distractions  
and diversions which I have  
just previously alluded to ?*

*In order to help to see and define  
exactly what I am talking about, here,  
I find it useful to imagine myself  
standing before the judgment seat of Christ,  
known in New Testament Greek as  
the bema (pronounced BAY-ma).*

*In my mind's eye I imagine what Christ  
will be asking me,  
and what I will be answering.*

*Will he want to know about ballgame scores ?*

*Rock concert ticket sales ?*

*Or the latest prophecy seminar ?*

*What I think about this or that person ?*

*Or ask me about what YOU did  
with YOUR life ?*

*Do you suppose He will want to hear  
my latest rant about politics  
and worldly affairs ?*

*Will He care what party I voted for,  
or how I feel about any particular  
candidate or issue ?*

*Why is it that none of these things  
sound like the things which  
our blessed Lord will be concerned about ?*

*My main concern being  
what will elicit the statement,  
"well done thou good and faithful servant".*

*One can readily see how this mental imagery  
can act as both a filter and a lens.*

*It makes it easier to see what it is  
that we **NEED** to see,  
which is, otherwise, quite well obfuscated  
by all of the cares and concerns  
of this wicked generation and their world.*

*Do you suppose our Lord will ask me  
about you ?*

*Or will he ask me about me ?*

*My purpose in bringing these matters  
to your attention is to give you ideas  
about new ways of thinking.*



*If you feel like all of the doctrines and dogmas  
of all of these modern Judaizers are doing little  
more than to obscure your vision,  
then you are probably going to  
need some kind of a way to figure out,  
on your own, what you really should be,  
or need to be doing.*

*One of the hallmarks of  
the Protestant Reformation  
was the idea of **Sola Scriptura**.*

*It seems that ungodly men  
are always wanting to tell about  
the things of God,  
while their own personal lives  
are ungodly and worldly as ever.*

*It does not seem to take long  
before they are making claims  
to some higher secret knowledge  
and authority.*

*For example, Romanism,  
with its claims to have an oral tradition,  
which is claimed to be superior to  
the written Word of God.*

*Many strange and foreign doctrines  
having originated from just such a source.*

*The post-second Temple authors of the Talmud provide another good example.*

*They claim to have a written Torah  
and an oral Torah,  
with the oral one taking precedence  
over the written one.*

*That is to say,  
a bunch of persons calling themselves rabbis  
claim that their long-winded and obtuse  
arguments, among themselves,  
regarding the meaning of any Mosaic passage  
of Old Testament Scripture,  
is superior to the plainly written Word of God,  
brought to them by Moses, himself,  
directly from this very same God.*

*The problem with the Papists  
and the Talmudists  
is that they add to and take away from  
plain teachings of the Scriptures  
in order to superimpose their belief system  
onto the Word of God.*

*Better have a good reason for that,  
wouldn't you think ?*

*As an example,  
Jesus specifically said to “call no man father”.*

*Yet the Romanists insist on being called  
exactly that.*

*Nowhere in the written word is it told that  
Peter is the first pope of some huge  
one world cultic mother goddess worshipping  
system of Churchianity.*

*No problem.*

*Just rely on some pretended  
ancient oral tradition and all will be well.*

*The Talmudic pretended "sages"  
simply re-write scriptural passages  
by interpreting them any which way they like,  
so long as the plain meaning of the words  
is not used.*

*Why?*

*More supposedly secret oral traditions.*

*Sadly, this is the rotten foundation  
upon which much, if not most,  
of what passes for modern evangelicalism  
is based upon.*

*The Protestant reformers held to  
a very different standard,  
i.e. if it is not plainly spelled out in Holy Writ,  
then it should probably be of little or no  
concern to me.*

*The basis of our faith being grounded and  
rooted in Scripture alone, **Sola Scriptura**.*

*When (ungodly) men come along  
and want to take away from, or add to,  
what we are told in the Holy Writings,  
we are not just suspect, but downright hostile.*

*Because we have heard and seen  
far too much nonsense coming from those  
professing themselves to be wise,  
but who are ultimately found to be full of folly  
(see **Romans 1:15-32**).*

*Far, far too many.*

*And today, it seems, more than ever,  
as if some abominable plague of locusts,  
or such like, has come upon us.*

***Sola Scriptura*** (solely by scripture)

and ***Sola Fide*** (solely by faith)

and ***Sola Gratia*** (solely by grace)

*were the battle cries of the men  
who first translated the Greek New Testament  
into their vernacular languages,  
and then were shocked as can be  
when comparing what had been written  
with what was being practiced  
in the name of the very same author  
of the writings, i.e. God.*

*I am telling all of this as background,  
in order to explain why I will repeatedly  
and emphatically warn you and admonish you  
to avoid man, altogether, when it comes to  
such matters as your eternal state, in Christ;  
or in outer darkness, with much wailing  
and gnashing of teeth.*

*While I can NOT be certain  
whether the choice is actually yours, or not,  
in light of the doctrines of predestination,  
and foreordination, and foreknowledge  
(see **Romans 8:29-30**, the ordo salutis),  
I can say that the Word declares  
that by continually seeking,  
you shall find.*

*By asking continuously,  
you shall be answered.*

*And by knocking continuously,  
it shall be opened unto you.*

*"Asking you shall receive"*

*"Seeking you shall find"*

*and*

*"Knocking it shall be opened"*

*All three are written  
in the grammatical form of  
the **present active participle**  
in the original Greek text.*

*This particular usage of the language  
being used to describe actions  
that are continuously taking place  
in the present.*

*We would probably call it your lifestyle,  
or way of life, or ongoing daily conduct  
i.e. a life of continuous asking,  
seeking, and knocking !!*

*That is, and should be, our true walk.*

*The goal, not being to "save souls for Jesus"  
(the office of the Holy Spirit, in actuality),  
nearly so much as to the obtaining of  
personal purity and separation  
from the filth of this wicked world.*

*A life dedicated solely to Him  
and to His purpose.*

*A life of complete dedication to Him.*

*So, how am I to find out more  
about such matters ?*

*By seeking counsel from the Word of God ?*

*or from men who will tell the opposite,  
with lots of sophistry, and smooth doubletalk,  
to "prove" their assertions ?*

*This being what it will all have come down to  
as you stand before The Judge  
of your eternal soul, on that day.*

*While remembering that  
your only defense can be truth,  
and truthfulness.*

*No lying will stand  
at the judgment seat of Christ.*

*Truth and truth only.*

*With stakes so high, I hope to get it right.*

*And I know that it will have to be on my own !*

*There being so few godly persons  
who have any real ability, whatsoever,  
to guide me.*

***Sola Scriptura***

***Sola Fide***

***Sola Gratia***



*So, what are the distractions  
and diversions, anyway ?*

*Anything that keeps you from placing  
our Lord and His commands  
continuously front and center.*

*While it could be job, school, career, marriage,  
or numerous other things,  
I think that the most dangerous of all  
is false religion, itself.*

*No need to seek salvation  
if I believe that I already have it,  
because some conniving,  
self-serving, self-dealing man  
has told me that it is so,  
wouldn't you think ?*

*And while all my time is spent  
pleasing my fellow cult members,  
how much time am I irredeemably losing,  
that should have been used  
to make preparation  
for meeting my maker face to face ?*

*And to learn how to use the great powers  
which our Lord has given to us to exercise  
on His behalf.*

*While, in that regard, I must say,  
that so far as I am concerned,  
the ultimate goal of our sacred relationship  
IS **power**.*

*Yes, raw power.*

*Power for good.*

*Power for rightness.*

*Power to repel and bind evil,  
to name just a few.*

*When I think of power,  
I think "**God power**".*

*That is to say, all REAL power  
comes from our Creator.*

*Because He is the source,  
we desire to connect with Him.*

*I need to be "plugged in",  
as it were.*

*Because we are not unlikely  
to be needing TREMENDOUS power  
at any given moment,  
one should want to be cautious*

*about doing anything  
that could possibly reduce or dilute  
the amount of power available  
at any given time.*

*If we are to act as a conduit,  
then we should want to keep our “pipes” clean,  
so that the power may flow freely,  
forcefully, and unimpeded.*

*We should be VERY afraid of ANYTHING  
which could even POSSIBLY cause blockage.*

*One analogy that I like to think about  
when considering this matter  
likens this conduit concept to a lens on a laser.*

*The word says that  
**"God is light"**.*

*In the world around us  
we are surrounded by light.*

*The light which is all around us  
is scattered light.*

*So, what do you suppose happens  
when you un-scatter the light ?*

*Instead, concentrating it  
into a stream of "coherent light".*

*Voilà !*

*You now have the laser beam.*

*Who would have thought that  
by bringing all of the light waves  
into one single wavelength  
we would get, what is essentially,  
an explosive force ?*

*A very hot and VERY intense beam of light.*

*It can cut right through steel, for example.*

*In order to make coherent light  
one must run the highly reflected,  
diffused, and diffracted light  
through a series of lenses.*

*If there is even the slightest bit of smudge  
on the lenses, as the laser is pushed up  
to full power, everything will explode  
at some point.*

*All of that power hitting  
that single piece of smudging on the lens  
causes the destruction of the entire machine.*

*I use this as an analogy  
of our vertical relationship.*

*And as an example  
of why personal purity of heart, mind,  
body, and soul is so important.*

*It is like our Creator is providing the light  
which He will then shoot through us  
as we become the lens on the laser.*

*So long as everything is on low power  
all will seem normal.*

*But as the Lord above directs more power  
and energy into and through us,  
sooner or later the smudge  
that is in our hearts and minds  
will begin to interfere with  
our use as a conduit.*

*Just like the smudge on the lens of the laser,  
as the power running through us is increased  
there will come a point where it will  
become self-destructive.*

*Such that if spiritual power  
is to be an ultimate goal,  
then one must tend to  
carefully polishing one's internal lens  
on a regular basis.*

*To those who seek HIS power,  
our walk, and our thought life,  
and the keeping of our heart,  
and letting the sin “find us out”  
are not casual matters.*

*And for any who have committed themselves  
to spiritual warfare, as a manner of life,  
we must be all the more concerned with  
obedience to the commands of  
our Heavenly Father, and His blessed Son,  
and His Holy Spirit.*

*Such persons **MUST** be circumspect  
in **ALL** things.*

*Because, it is in our thought life,  
and in our hearts, that this war ever rages.*

*Remembering one of the most difficult of  
principles, which is that our heart  
is deceitful above all things  
( --- “and who can know it ?”)  
(see **Jeremiah 17:9**).*

*Such that the idea  
that if you just follow your heart,  
all will go well,  
will likely lead to unanticipated  
adverse consequences.*

*When we speak of warring with the flesh,  
we are really talking about warring with  
our heart and mind.*

*It is here where our human sickness will fester.*

*It is here that our satanic nature  
can run around, unfettered, and untamed.*

*A very dangerous place, indeed.*

*It is here where our disunion  
between God and man,  
and our inner self, will begin and end.*

*If the tongue is lit on fire of Gehenna/Hell,  
then how much more so **THE SOURCE**  
of the speech which comes flying  
out of our mouths during certain  
unguarded moments.*

*It is here that your sins **WILL** find you out.*

*Herein lies the swamp that is  
in great need of draining.*

*A veritable cesspool of thought  
which will precede action.*

*And one can only begin to imagine the effect  
of a continuous barrage of ungodly poison  
coming at my contemporaries from every side  
and every quarter.*

*Between the television, the movies, the radio,  
magazines, and pretended "news" papers  
it may simply become impossible  
to keep the lens clean.*

***THEREBY DESTROYING YOUR POWER !!***

*Such that you can have  
an outward form of religiosity,  
but while completely lacking  
ANY power, whatsoever.*

*The lens in most people's heart  
having become so filthy  
that it would be hopeless  
to try to run concentrated energy through it  
without causing the person who is the conduit  
to simply explode into flames and vanish.*

*So now, instead of a life  
steeped in miracle power,  
one is forced to seek a life of  
further distraction and diversion.*



*One no longer tending to the needs  
of the inner person, as they are, effectively,  
tossed about, like floating around  
in a tempestuous sea after the moorings  
have broken loose.*

*They now go from one guru to the next.*

*From one leader of "the faithful" to the next.*

*From one system of belief to the next.*

*Until finally there remains no system,  
and no growth in saving faith.*

*Talking the talk, but having no idea  
how to walk the walk, having never  
actually done so.*

*So now outward conformity  
with man-made systems  
takes the place of a power-filled life  
of freedom and liberty in Christ.*

*Our freedom traded in for numerous  
musty old rules in which will be found  
no power whatsoever.*

*Instead one will look down  
to see that they are covered in chains  
which are so heavy as to end  
any possibility of flying  
(or, even walking) free in the Spirit.*

*Our concerns now becoming  
how to impress and please  
our fellow lost souls,  
instead of how to commune  
with our living God,  
to the exclusion of all else.*

*The time is so short,  
and the job of cleansing our inner lives  
of all of their inner filth so large,  
that there is bound to be a disconnect  
at some point.*

*There being no time to waste  
on doing what it takes to be spotless  
and without blemish, in boldness,  
as we come to stand before Him  
as He comes in flaming judgment  
(see **Ephesians 5:27**).*

*Every second that is wasted on our  
all-too-human diversions and distractions  
causing us to have that much less time  
to get it right.*

*This being one of the main problems  
with “Churchianity”.*

*It being, fundamentally,  
**THE ULTIMATE DISTRACTION  
AND DIVERSION.***

*For now, instead of listening to  
that tiny little quiet voice at the back of our  
head (see **I Kings 19:7-18**),  
we are continuously bombarded  
with everything except that.*

*Instead of seeking guidance  
from our Heavenly Father  
on a breath by breath basis,  
we look to our fellow humans  
for our instructions and directions.*

*Again, the more we are doing this,  
the less time we have to deal with Him,  
and with His spirit.*

*The more we listen to man,  
the further we are removing ourselves  
from the promptings of the Holy Spirit.*

*More man,  
less God.*

*Oh, but how ironic can it get,  
as you are actually moving  
further and further away from Him,  
you are becoming more and more  
of a master at outward religiosity.*

*Yes, the very one that is  
totally lacking in power.*

*Our lens has become so smudged  
by the cares of this world  
and the things of man pleasing  
that very little power can be  
run through this conduit  
without causing it to fracture  
into many numerous tiny pieces.*

*But outwardly, more religious than ever.*

*Maybe even more zealous of whatever  
particular cult or cultic center than ever.*

*This is how the ubiquitous building fund  
and fraudulent missionary work  
comes to take top place  
in our hierarchy of values,  
as we zealously build cult centers,  
and parking lots,  
and promote picnics and barbecues,  
and "Christianized"  
worldliness and fleshliness.*

*The hearts which are deceitful above all things  
leading the way down the road to perdition  
as we live for the commands of man,  
more and more to the disregarding  
of the voice of the Holy Spirit,  
WHICH IS FINALLY STILLED ALTOGETHER.*

*As I am so busy worrying about  
“saving souls for Jesus”  
(which is the office of the Holy Spirit,  
and not man, never forget)  
and "planting churches"  
(i.e. buying real estate  
and getting others to pay for it)  
that I soon enough forget my first love  
(see **Revelation 2:4-5**),  
as true religion steadily decays,  
moment by moment,  
into commercialized religion (\$\$\$),  
which will, ultimately, be found  
to be of very little use.*

*As I am told by my spiritual slavemasters  
all that I must do  
to promote their own earthly desires,  
and ambitions, and demands,  
more and more to the exclusion of  
doing that which I ought to be doing, instead,*

**SOON ENOUGH,  
TIME WILL RUN OUT !!**

*And what was thought to be a good way to go  
turns out to be the exact opposite of everything  
we first thought and hoped it to be.*

*A slow and insidious process,  
made all the more destructive  
by virtue of such.*

*Rite and ritual having replaced  
internal cleansing,  
as my soul becomes  
more and more complacent,  
as I soon enough feel  
the cold chill of impending death  
and judgment,  
for which I find myself completely unready,  
in no small part due to the very persons  
who pretended to be paving my way  
to heavenly glory.*

*That is to say,  
ultimately fatal to our spiritual well-being.*

*Yes, FATAL distractions and diversions.*

*Working stealthily to undermine  
the TRUE POWER and TRUE GODLINESS,  
without spot or blemish,  
before Him at His judgment seat.*

*And what a loss that is going to be.*

## **ON PRAYING WITHOUT CEASING**

*The Word tells us that  
we should “pray without ceasing”  
(see **I Thessalonians 5:17**).*

*I cannot begin to tell you  
how many times I have heard  
supposed (or should I say, pretended)  
pastors and ministers tell their little flock,  
that this is to be taken figuratively.*

*Because,  
“anyone knows that this is  
simply impossible to do”.*

*I not only disagree, but, rather, in terms of  
**true religion**, I believe that this is  
the single most important concept that there is  
(aside from loving one another with  
self-sacrificial love, as a lifestyle).*

*What has happened is that  
they have confused petitioning  
with continuous intellectual and spiritual  
intercourse, because they fundamentally  
think of their religion as a way  
to make connection with some great  
Santa Claus in the sky (Bacchus ?).*

*Therefore, prayer IS petition,  
so far as they are concerned.*

*It is this same mentality which will  
read out of some stale old prayer book  
and expect that this will have any power  
to get ANYTHING accomplished.*

*For most of us it is during times of  
intense emotional and mental  
and physical anguish that we actually learn  
how to pray in a way which can be pleasing  
to our Lord, God, and Creator.*

*This being one of the unexpected benefits  
of a life full of crisis.*

*I think of times when the life of a loved one  
is hanging in the balance.*

*Or a time when I am trapped, alone,  
in the wilderness.*

*Or during very imminent  
wholesale destruction,  
e.g. being on a sinking ship,  
with water up to your ankles,  
or having a huge storm bearing down on you  
with certain death and judgment  
written all over it.*



*That which causes us to say that  
“there are no atheists in the middle of  
a huge storm” as their ship begins  
taking on serious amounts of water.*

*Trapped like a rat.*

*And knowing that the time is  
quickly approaching for a reckoning  
with your ultimate reality,  
WHATEVER that may be.*

*So far I have been talking about  
WHAT prayer is.*

*Now, let's look at HOW.*

*The word says that the fervent prayer  
of a righteous person availeth much  
(see **James 5:16**).*

*Notice the kind of prayer which is spoken of.*

*Fervent prayer.*

*Intense prayer.*

*Focused prayer.*

*And not just any old person doing the praying.*

*But a righteous person.*

*A person who stands RIGHT before God  
(sounds like a consecrated life to me).*

*But, this is really not what I am talking about  
when I talk about praying without ceasing.*

*Here, I am speaking of something,  
which is, indeed, rooted in the same ideas  
of high intensity and right living,  
but the "without ceasing" part tells us  
that this must be something which  
we can do continuously, at all times,  
and in all manner of circumstances.*

*In order to be done "without ceasing"  
it seems that it must be done in a manner  
which does NOT require us to stop everything  
until finished.*

*Rather, my idea is, that what is being spoken  
of here, is an inner conversation with our God.*

*One that goes on continuously.*

*As an example, in my own (idealized) life  
I know that I converse with our God and his  
blessed Son nearly every minute of every day.*

*I have trained myself  
to monitor every single thought,  
as it originates.*

*And then to weigh it and analyze it.*

*And then begins the discussion  
with our Lord, above.*

*Sometimes I am in a monologue form,  
as if reciting a soliloquy,  
while at other times I believe that  
the Lord takes part in a two-way conversation.*

*And at still other times our Lord  
will show me object lessons  
by which He challenges my thoughts.*

*Sometimes to make a point, and at other times  
to show me either how right or how wrong  
I am, or have become.*

*The word of God says that  
"faith is the substance of things hoped for  
and the evidence of things not seen"  
(see **Hebrews 11:1**).*

*It is faith (belief) which becomes saving faith,  
by means of an ongoing process.*

*Note how it says "substance" and "evidence".*

*Faith is not blind faith.*

*It is NOT something for which we have  
no empirical experience or evidence  
(empirical = by use of the five senses).*

*This is where our prayer life  
really begins to more fully come into play.*

*It is where our Lord can and does  
make Himself known to us.*

*As He shows Himself more and more,  
we will respond more and more.*

*Upon realizing that our living  
God provides us with guidance,  
we learn to seek that guidance.*

*And, soon enough,  
a strong believer will become  
dependent upon that guidance.*

*It being a sort of a feedback loop.*

*More asking and waiting on the Lord  
turns into more refined guidance,  
which turns into more dependence  
upon that guidance,  
which is now causing our God  
to become very real to us.*

*Faith/belief becoming stronger  
by virtue of this process.*

*As can be readily imagined,  
it will not take long  
before your internal relationship  
with our living God becomes something  
which you cherish so greatly  
that you want to do nothing  
that will interfere with that.*

*As we draw closer to Him  
we become more and more desirous  
of pleasing Him (see **John 14:15**).*

*We being no longer driven and motivated  
by rules and regulations,  
but by intense and very real  
self-sacrificial love.*

*God IS love.*

*And to be in His presence is to know love.*

*To have His love directed toward  
our innermost being will cause  
a resonance deep within,  
as we become less worldly/carnally minded,  
and begin to reflect His heavenly glory  
with each and every thought,  
deed, and action (see **John 3:30**).*

*Our thought life begins to matter  
more and more to us  
as we soon enough realize that  
this is where the real battleground lies.*

*We learn, by experience,  
and by our union/contact with Him,  
that we must take every thought into captivity,  
and that we must subject it,  
before it subjects us  
(see **II Corinthians 2:5**).*

*We learn to take each  
aberrant and abhorrent thought  
at its very genesis,  
and to lay it upon the altar within our soul  
in order to reframe it,  
or to destroy it,  
along with its power over our future actions.*

*We thereby learning of spiritual warfare.*

*No overt action being allowed  
until we have contained and isolated  
the thought, and then taken it before our  
Heavenly Father for close examination  
and scrutiny.*

*Ever seeking our Lord's guidance.*

*This is real prayer life.*

*Not some reciting of poetry,  
and incantation-like formulae,  
but an ongoing discourse  
and seeking for instruction and illumination  
coming from Him who created us,  
and who well knows our inner parts  
and how they have become so perverse.*

*Now, instead of flailing about  
and never knowing what is going on  
in us and around us,  
we grow more deeply in love  
with He who guides us and  
is willing to come and reason with us  
regarding our apparently  
sordid and pathetic condition  
(see **Isaiah 1:18**).*

*Always wanting to please,  
but never being able to.*

*Always wanting to do right,  
but with wrong, somehow,  
always coming to predominate,  
just when we thought  
we had it all worked out.*

*Thousands of good intentions  
being wiped out in an instant.*

*Because we should have stopped  
and sought counsel from Him,  
instead of acting while unchecked,  
and following some fatal inner impulse  
to our own immediate  
and oftentimes permanent undoing.*

*Two choices standing before us.*

*One being to stop and wait on  
our Heavenly Father to lead us  
and to give us His input,  
while the other choice is to just go forward  
without stopping and waiting.*

*Without seeking His guidance.*



*And without waiting on Him,  
while flying headlong into our own  
ultimate and very sure undoing  
and destruction.*

*Can you see, dear reader,  
why our prayer life MUST be continuous ?*

*If I am NOT praying without ceasing,  
how can this process continuously take place ?*

*Less internal discourse,  
while actions take place,  
which should have been dealt with  
long before they became actions.*

*It REALLY being “pray without ceasing”,  
or face the consequences of utter ruination,  
caused by our fallen nature  
becoming our guide,  
in place of His heavenly wisdom  
and guidance.*

*In this regard,  
allow me to remind you of the process  
by which we grow in grace  
and saving faith.*

We first “**let our sin find us out**”  
(**Numbers 32:23**).

*This is your thought life.*

*As we think deeply,  
we begin to realize that  
all is not well deep down inside of us.*

*We, therefore, allow and encourage  
the Holy Spirit to put the light  
on this darkness within.*

*Instead of running from it,  
and hiding from it,  
we work hard  
to bring it out into the open,  
where we can take a good,  
long, hard look at it.*

*We bring it to the altar,  
before our loving and forgiving God Almighty,  
and we examine it closely, TOGETHER.*

*We “come and reason together”  
(see **Isaiah 1:18**)  
as we plead with our Heavenly King  
to help us to understand  
and come to terms with  
our own colossal failings.*

*We don't play games.*

*And we don't play hide and seek.*

*This ongoing process being  
far too important to allow it to degenerate  
into fake sanctimoniousness,  
based upon our utter denial  
of our own true inward condition.*

*We acknowledge our wrongness  
with forthrightness.*

*What the word terms as  
“**confessing your sins**”  
(see **I John 1:9**).*

*That is, **to be "homologeo"**,  
in the original Greek  
(pronounced "homo-lo-GEE-oh").*

*"Homo" meaning same,  
while "logeo" means word, idea, or saying.*

*We are to be at one word with Him  
(acknowledging).*

*Meaning that we are both  
calling sin the same thing.*

*We both agreeing that I am coming up short,  
and have completely “missed the mark”  
(the actual meaning of sin = an archery term).*

*No whitewashing.*

*No pretending.*

*No make-believe.*

*No saying that bad is good,  
or that black is white,  
or that down is up.*

*No moral relativism  
i.e. it's okay, because of ---  
whatever carnal circumstance.*

*God is light.*

*And in him is no darkness at all.*

*Not a lot of room for moral relativism.*

*He is unchanging.*

*What is wrong now is not going to  
somehow become okay  
because of --- whatever.*

*Upon completion of  
our truthful acknowledgment  
of our utter innermost failing  
the Word tells us that our Lord  
will separate this sin from off of us.*

*This being the meaning of the word  
"aphiemi" (pronounced "ah-FEE-ay-mee"),  
which is translated "forgive".*

*He being faithful to forgive.*

*Meaning faithful to lift this sin off of us,  
or to separate us from it.*

*Thereby freeing us from the bondage  
which our shortcomings are sure to  
put us into.*

*This is the framework of our prayer life.*

*Because our thoughts, deeds, and actions  
are continuous, so must be our taking of them  
into captivity.*

*So long as you're thinking is taking place,  
the above-referenced process must also  
be taking place.*

*Continuous thoughts  
creating the need for continuous discourse  
with our Heavenly Father.*

*Praying continuously without ceasing,  
without which, we will continuously  
suffer consequences of our failure to do so.*

*Soon enough realizing that  
**not only is it possible to  
pray without ceasing,  
it is imperative !!***

*As an illustration of this process  
I would like to digress for just a moment  
to share with you something  
we have only recently learned,  
thanks to modern medical imaging  
of the human brain.*

*It seems that as you formulate thought,  
tissue is created, which corresponds to that  
thought and thinking.*

*Many will be familiar with the concept of  
synapse formation in nerves.*

*Every long term memory requiring  
long term synapse creation and maintenance.*

*As we get older our memories begin to fail us  
because our synapses are being made  
and maintained less and less.*

*First the short term memory fails,  
then the long-term memory,  
as the synapses begin to degenerate  
more and more with each passing day.*

*But, what you probably didn't know,  
and haven't seen,  
is that within several hours  
after thinking fresh thoughts  
a little sphere appears  
along the length of a nerve fiber  
(the nerve fiber = a dendritic spine).*

*It looks like a little grape.*

*It rises up from inside the dendritic spine  
and forms a little bulb  
which now sits on the outside of  
the nerve fiber.*

*While you thought it was fleeting and gone,  
it is, instead, contained inside that little sphere.*

*That sphere will later form into  
the long term structure of memory.*

*One can only imagine that if that sphere  
contains good thoughts,  
then the more the better.*

*But what if it contains thoughts of torture,  
murder, rape and plunder,  
as so many do in THIS day and age ?*

*What will happen as more and more of  
THESE little spheres are piled  
on top of one another ?*

*One can only shudder to think about  
such a matter.*

*Soon enough the thoughts will rule you,  
instead of you ruling them.*

*I see this little sphere  
attached to the nerve fiber  
when I think of the power of  
continuous, ongoing spiritual intercourse  
with our heavenly Creator.*

*If that little sphere represents  
my giving in to evil,  
then I will want to minimize  
the effects of its existence.*

*Better yet, I should want to  
make it non-existent.*



*I will want it lifted off of me,  
and separated from me,  
just as our blessed Lord and Savior  
has promised to do.*

*That little node showing to me  
that our thoughts will inevitably  
have consequence,  
just as surely as they have a physical storage  
space inside my cranium.*

*Now, the reason that  
I am telling you about these things  
is because I think that they give a useful way  
to visualize what the process is  
by which one is more able to take control  
of one's thought life  
in order to make good use of  
matters discussed above.*

*If I can visualize a disgusting thought  
forming itself into one of those little nodes,  
I can also imagine myself  
not allowing that little node  
to even form in the first place.*

*I have a way to visualize,  
in my mind's eye,  
what it is that is taking place,  
and to take control of the process.*

*Instead of amorphous, fleeting thoughts,  
here now, and then gone, a moment from now,  
and of no immediate concern  
once out of my mind,  
and of even less consequence,  
I have a way of becoming cognizant of the fact  
that my thought life DOES have consequence,  
thereby causing me to be much more alert  
and guarded than I otherwise would be.*

*As I think about those hideous little bulbs  
sprouting up inside my head,  
I find myself much more motivated  
to take control of my thought life.*

*It is out of the heart  
that the issues of life proceed,  
and it is out of the heart  
that the mouth speaketh  
(see **Proverbs 4:23**  
and **Matthew 12:34-36**).*

*Therefore, if I want all to go well,  
I realize that I must diligently  
and VERY consistently  
deal with what is in my heart/mind.*

*No more wild devil's playground,  
while thinking that it really does not matter.*

*Instead of just allowing my thoughts  
to go crazy inside my head,  
I will actively and aggressively attack  
any which I feel to be offensive to my God,  
and will put a forceful and immediate stop  
to the process of internal degeneration  
by **taking it to the Lord in prayer.***

*Thinking without ceasing,  
causing praying without ceasing.*

*No longer a secret, hidden battleground.*

*But, instead my mind has become  
a place of refuge, and peace, and respite.*

*A place where I may escape from  
the clamor of this world,  
which is going on all about me,  
virtually non-stop.*

*My mind now having become an oasis  
in an otherwise arid wilderness,  
where I may go and spend time  
with my best and most favorite friend  
and mentor, to discuss how I may overcome  
the numerous obstacles  
which are nearly continuously  
placed in my path  
by Satan and his minions.*

*Where others cannot stand silence,  
while seeking continuous mental distraction,  
so that they don't even ever have to  
deal with themselves,  
I thrive on stillness and quietness,  
so that I may go deep inside  
my own mind, soul, and spirit  
in order to consider deep things,  
and to commune with my beloved Savior.*

*Remembering that  
**the object of my faith  
is to become more like Him**  
(see **Romans 8:29**).*

*As John the Baptist so well stated the matter,  
“He must increase and I must decrease”  
(see **John 3:30**).*

*Such is the case in my thought life.*

*More of Him and less of me.*

*More focus on what I believe  
my wonderful Lord will find to be pleasing,  
with far less concern about  
entertaining the overly numerous,  
ever present demands of the flesh,  
which cause me to become  
a reprehensible object of utter disgust,  
within my own self.*

*And now, instead of getting a little bit sicker  
with each passing minute,  
I am learning to become a warrior  
and an overcomer.*

*Instead of being full of fear and trepidation,  
I become more and more full of  
God-given power and wisdom from above.*

*A life of growth  
replacing a life of degeneration,  
and the making of an eternal bond  
with my eternal Creator.*

*All of the negatives of life  
being slowly, but very steadily,  
replaced by positives and positivism.*

*As life becomes uglier and more brutal,  
senseless, and meaningless to many others,  
my life takes on new meaning  
with each additional day  
which our Lord is kind enough to gift me with.*

*A life of thanksgiving  
replacing a life of pretended entitlement,  
with all of the disappointment  
which that is bound to cause.*

*A world of despair and uncertainty  
being replaced by a world of magical wonder  
and knowledge of blessedness.*

*Unfortunately, much of our time  
is NOT spent in perfect union with our Lord.*

*At times we will quietly drift away,  
often without even realizing it.*

*At other times  
we will find the cares of the moment  
far outweigh our ability to do  
what we know to be right (**Matthew 13:22**),  
while we instead embrace evil,  
quite knowingly and willingly.*

*There are most certainly numerous times  
when we can become obstinate  
and half-hearted,  
if not downright willful and disobedient.*

*Instead of being a sweet savor unto our Lord,  
we can become a stench in his nostrils.*

*Finally, upon realizing the error of our ways  
and the absurdity of our position,  
at war with our Creator,  
and even within our own selves,  
**we must learn the meaning of  
penance and penitential prayer.***

*When our sorrow is real,  
our need to attempt to restore fellowship  
with our God also becomes very real.*

*Soon enough we shall find ourselves  
on our knees,  
crying out for mercy,  
as a recalcitrant sinner,  
in utter bondage to open rebellion,  
our baser nature having gained  
the upper hand,  
if but for even one moment  
(see **Luke 18:13**).*

*Suddenly we find ourselves at a distance  
from that to which we desire to draw near.*

*Upon realizing the error of our ways  
we seek to restore the fellowship  
which once tasted and felt so good.*

*A true believer cannot go  
for very long in opposition  
without feeling  
that dreaded loss of fellowship.*

*It is at this juncture that one will cry out  
for mercy, as if lost in a barren wilderness  
of our own making.*

*As we become grieved  
by the very grievousness  
which we have become,  
we will cry out in utter shame,  
while begging for mercy,  
as we all too suddenly go from  
a feeling of strength  
to a feeling of utter helplessness and despair,  
as if irretrievably lost.*

*I believe that everyone has areas in their life  
where they have less than complete mastery.*

*Areas in which we live in total weakness  
and failure.*

*As we meet up with  
“that sin that doth so easily beset us”,  
everything which I have been telling thus far  
begins to come into play with full force  
(see **Hebrews 12:1**).*

*First, we will fail even to recognize  
what is happening to us,  
being so much more familiar with  
outright rebellion than with humble obedience.*



*Then, upon realizing what IS happening  
we find ourselves denying the reality  
and the seriousness of our actions,  
as we begin to make excuses,  
and seek rationalizations and justifications.*

*Telling ourselves how it is not really so bad,  
or that it will just be this one time,  
not yet realizing that we are refusing to  
acknowledge our sin and our sinfulness.*

*As we refuse to be "homologeo"  
(i.e. at one word),  
it will not take long before we realize  
our loss of fellowship with God and Christ,  
as we grieve the indwelling Holy Spirit.*

*Soon enough we believe  
that God has abandoned us,  
not yet realizing that  
it is us who are abandoning Him,  
if but only for a season,  
as our sin has not yet found us out,  
our earthly existence  
and the cares of this wicked world  
far outweighing our ability  
to sense the full gravity  
of our present course of action.*

*If we truly are children of God,  
then at some point the Holy Spirit  
will prick our heart,  
as we suddenly realize  
the perilous position we have  
so stupidly put ourselves into.*

*Truly it is time to stop everything  
and to stop moving  
further and further away from His light,  
as we stupidly and ignorantly  
feel that we have been abandoned,  
in spite of the fact that  
we are the one doing the abandoning.*

*This being our constant and continuous  
war with the world, the flesh, and the devil  
(see **I John 2:16**).*

*As we more fully come to realize  
that the flesh must truly be put to death daily  
(see **I Corinthians 15:31** and **Galatians 5:24**),  
if we are ever to successfully continue  
on our spiritual quest,  
and to gain the mastery over  
our own very unruly heart  
(**Jeremiah 17:9**),*

*then we will need to  
come more fully to realize our need  
to get down on our knees  
and to cry out for mercy,  
and to begin, yet once again,  
the restorative process.*

*Being careful not to  
confuse repentance with penance.*

*The one being a change of direction,  
while the other consists of heartfelt sorrow  
and remorse.*

*I, suspecting that the sorrow  
will have to come first,  
before the change of course  
is likely to take effect.*

*Because our Lord,  
and our ongoing relationship with Him,  
is most precious to us,  
we will stop everything  
until we get this matter right,  
as we are forced to come to terms with  
the deeper meaning of  
**“true religion”.***

*A process by which we are changed  
from a wretched creature,  
unable to see its own wretchedness,  
into a blessed creature  
unable to even desire to live  
without continuous and vital union with  
our Creator, and His blessed Son,  
and His Holy Spirit.*

*World without end.*

*Amen.*

# **MESSIANISM**

*Messiah is a person who was prophesied.*

*The word Messiah means "to be anointed".*

*It has the same meaning as the word "Christos" in New Testament Greek.*

*There is nothing new about what most people will refer to as "Christianity".*

*Most people have no idea that when they use this word, "**Christ**", that they are actually saying "**Messiah**", such that **Christianity** = **Messianism**.*

*While the life of Jesus of Nazareth can be said to have taken place approximately 2000 years ago, the idea of which it is the fulfillment goes all the way back to the writings of Moses, about 1200 years before that !*

*First in a promise that is said to have been made to Eve in the Garden of Eden (see **Genesis 3:13-15**) and known as the **proto evangelium**.*

*And then again in **Deuteronomy chapter 18**  
where one like unto Moses is prophesied  
(see **Deuteronomy 18:15-22**).*

*One need look no further than  
the ancient mythologies  
to discover this theme of  
a coming "super-being".*

*He is found again and again  
in stories of heroes and demi-gods.*

*Such beliefs permeating the entire  
ancient world for millennia prior to Moses.*

*That is to say, there appears to have been  
an oral tradition,  
which preceded the written traditions,  
and which circulated alongside  
the first known cuneiform writings.*

*Having so many similarities with one another  
that moderns try to pretend that  
the later writings (Moses) are merely  
retellings of the same earlier  
(Sumerian) stories and writings.*

*Rather than realizing that there is, likely,  
one original and earlier source,  
from which both came,  
which branched out into*

*numerous localized variants,  
they, instead, pretending that the one  
is merely a plagiarized replication of the other.*

*I am, of course, mainly referring to  
the so-called "**Noah stories**" of ancient  
Sumero/Babylon, as being an excellent  
example of this process.*

*Sadly, solely due to apparent  
modern social biases,  
it is disingenuously claimed that  
the **Noah story** of Genesis  
is merely a retelling of the  
**Sumero/Babylonian mythological  
stories of Utnapishtim, Ziusudra,  
Atrahasis, and Gilgamesh.***

*Their methodological basis  
being deeply flawed,  
with reasoning that looks only at similarities,  
but never at the differences.*

*The earlier tellings being full of  
mythological ideas such as  
being able to swim to the bottom  
of the deepest seas,  
or to fly into outer space  
on the back of an eagle.*

*Lots of magical actions  
and magico/religious thinking.*

*After all, these are people  
who are claimed to be half-man and half-god,  
such that they are only barely constrained  
by the physical limitations  
which both you and I take for granted.*

*A reading of the story of Genesis  
being a far cry from  
the Sumero/Babylonian tradition.*

*No magic.*

*Just a big barge loaded with animals,  
with exact measurements of  
the various depth soundings,  
along with numerous exact measurements  
of time.*

*Reading much more like  
a modern historical account,  
than ANYTHING you will find  
in the extant writings preceding it.*



*Such that one must ask oneself,  
which is more likely ?*

- 1. that an oral tradition becomes  
MORE precise and detailed over time ?*

*or*

- 2. less precise and detailed ?*

*Of course, to ask it is to answer it.*

*After all, it IS self-evident, if nothing else,  
that fireside tales generally get wilder and  
wilder with each telling and re-telling.*

*Actual measurements and other such details  
being relegated to somewhere other than  
the retelling of the story.*

*In this regard I should like to note  
a couple of matters regarding oral traditions.*

*The ancients would sing their stories,  
tell their stories, dance their stories,  
and act out their stories in cultic rituals.*

*It is because of these things that the ideas  
of the moderns regarding the unreliability  
of oral and ancient traditions have little  
or no merit, whatsoever.*

*My favorite example of this inherent conservatism is the religion of Old Kingdom Egypt, as compared with Middle Kingdom and New Kingdom Egypt.*

*There being 3000 years of continuous history, with plenty of material remains to study.*

*Based upon the ideas of our contemporaries, one would expect to see a tremendous variety of beliefs and ideas.*

*But, such is, most certainly, NOT the case.*

*It is, rather the consistency which stands out, so conspicuously.*

*Thereby demonstrating the incredible conservatism of this process.*

*It is because the moderns pretend that ignorant and foolish storytellers just made all of this stuff up while sitting around campfires and entertaining little children, that they believe that there will be embellishment upon embellishment, the one laid upon the other, each time it is retold.*

*But, this is not how the process  
is KNOWN to have taken place.*

*The main ingredient,  
which is all too casually "forgotten",  
is that the story is considered  
to be important enough,  
by an entire culture,  
that they feel a need  
to have a reliable way  
to transmit the data,  
from one generation to the next,  
while maintaining continuity  
of all important and consequential  
material facts.*

***Yes, the story begins with facts,***  
*and real life historical events,  
considered to be so important  
that cultic rituals and re-enactments  
become commonplace memory devices  
amongst ALL such systems.*

*The process being innately  
conservative as can be,  
as amply demonstrated by  
the history of 3000 years  
of ancient Egyptian religions.*

*These being just the opposite  
of what you are told how it should be.*

*I would suggest that  
it is this same process, here,  
by which Egyptian religion  
maintained its form for three millennia,  
which was used in order to  
communicate/transfer the oral traditions,  
through multiple generations,  
for the most part intact,  
prior to the writing of the Hebrew alphabet.*

*The reason why I am bringing this up  
is because the book of Genesis  
makes reference to  
an apparently oral tradition,  
which began in the Garden of Eden  
i.e. the seed of the woman  
will crush the head of the serpent,  
but will have his heel bruised  
as a result thereof (see **Genesis 3:15**);  
along with God clothing Adam and Eve  
with animal skins,  
requiring shedding of blood,  
while providing a covering,  
which is, after all, the meaning of atonement  
(see **Genesis 3:21**).*

*This being followed by another oral tradition,  
concerning Cain and Abel,  
wherein a sin offering  
was said to lay at Cain's door  
(see **Genesis 4:7**),  
and wherein Cain's works were rejected,  
while Abel's apparent faith (i.e. not works)  
WAS found to be acceptable  
(see **Genesis 4:4-5**).*

*Followed by Noah's bringing seven  
of certain kinds of sacrificial animals  
into the Ark  
(see **Genesis 7:2**),  
and his building an altar,  
after landing,  
while making animal sacrifice to  
He who had saved him  
from the worldwide deluge  
(see **Genesis 8:20**).*

*Some call it "**the scarlet thread**",  
which runs through both  
the Old and New Testaments,  
while thereby tying them together  
into one book  
(i.e. joined together by the blood of Christ).*

*Showing the need for shedding of blood  
as an atonement (i.e. a covering) for sin.*

*The theme of “the suffering servant”  
(see **Isaiah 53**) running all the way through  
the Holy Spirit-inspired writings,  
from one end to the other.*

*Nevertheless, in regard to  
seeing and understanding such matters,  
one must continuously remember that  
spiritual things are spiritually discerned  
(see **I Corinthians 2:14**),  
which means no indwelling Holy Spirit  
results in no spiritual discernment.*

*This being why so many men  
are unable to see or tell the difference  
between the writings of the Apostles  
and those of pretended rabbis/teachers  
and sages, along with their  
far too numerous progeny.*

*You cannot report about what you cannot see.*

*And you cannot see  
when you don't have eyes to see with.*

*And herein lies the problem.*

*Natural men, as brute beasts,  
pretending to some kind of life  
outside of Christ,  
while actually being dead and blind  
in sin and trespass  
(see **Ephesians 2:5-9**),  
and while actually having no idea  
that such truly is the case !*

*Uglier than sin,  
while believing that  
they are beauty personified.*

*A stench in the nostrils,  
while pretending to be  
a sweet savor unto the Lord.*

*First, **they must remake Christ  
into their own image**  
(see **II Corinthians 1:4**),  
and then come up with  
a new "gospel message"  
of financial security,  
and money raining from heaven,  
and goodies for everybody  
i.e. mammon worship  
(mammon means material goods).*

And, of course,  
*this **all being animated by  
another spirit.***

*Not God's Spirit, but man's.*

*Man's Christ.*

*Man's good news.*

*And man's spirit.*

*A very unholy trinity if ever there was one.*

*The number of man(6)  
stated 3 times  
= 666 = deified man,  
the number of the beast  
(see **Revelation 13:18**).*

*Human man-made temporal system  
versus God's God-made eternal system.*

*Therein lie the real lines of demarcation.*

*Oh, and don't forget,  
how they will load up their conversation  
with the same words  
which have become so dear to you and me  
from our reading of  
the Old and New Testaments,*



*but giving them different meanings  
which are very different from  
those intended by the languages,  
and by contemporaneous  
common usage thereof  
(i.e. grammatico/historical context).*

*Such that you think  
you are both talking about the same thing,  
but you most certainly are not.*

*And then speak of “love”,  
and call people “brother” and “sister”,  
and take on all kinds of  
chameleon-like attributes,  
designed for nothing less than  
to deceive the real sheep  
into believing that these are,  
indeed, truly,  
part of the selfsame flock.*

*Wolves in sheep's clothing  
whited sepulchres  
clouds without rain  
a blot  
stains  
tares  
(stealthily planted by “the enemy”).*

*These are but a few of the names  
by which they are readily identifiable  
for any who are willing  
to look just a little bit closer.*

*Then as people wake up  
and complain of what a fraud  
has been perpetrated upon them,  
these can be heard to tell all about  
the imminent demise of our faith,  
while complaining that their pews  
are no longer full, but are, instead, empty.*

*Failing to even begin to recognize  
that people no longer flocking  
to their “cultic disinformation centers”  
is one of the best things  
that can happen for all of the rest of us.*

*Yes,  
“**get out of her my people ---  
lest you partake of her plagues**”,  
is what I remember hearing from on high  
(see **Revelation 18:4**).*

**Messiah** means to be anointed with oil.

**“Christos”** is the Greek form of the word.

Hence, as stated above,  
**Messianism and Christ-ianity**  
**are actually one and the same thing.**

Both looking forward to the coming  
of a person who is said to have been anointed.

For that is the core meaning of the words.

One who is anointed,  
as the Old Testament kings of old  
were anointed with oil before taking office  
(see **I Samuel 10:1**).

They were anointed by a man.

But this One will be anointed  
by no less than the Creator, Himself.

A human, anointed as a king,  
by God, instead of by man.

Never forget this.

*(Ungodly) men love to create much confusion  
by throwing around the words Christ,  
Jesus, Christian, church, grace, faith,  
and such like.*

*They will add many new meanings  
and shades of meaning,  
while avoiding the actual definition  
as if it never existed.*

*Messiah and Christ are words  
whose real relevance exists  
long before the birth of Jesus of Nazareth.*

*Looking FORWARD to a day  
when God's earthly representative  
would take up His throne amongst fallen man.*

*This is the promise.*

*In **Deuteronomy chapter 18** Moses prophecies  
that God will send a prophet, like unto Moses.*

*And that whoever refuses to listen to Him  
will be held accountable  
(see **Deuteronomy 18:18-19**).*

*That is the promise.*

*The Heavenly Father  
will make Himself manifest.*

*He will walk amongst men  
and will talk amongst men,  
but will be soundly rejected,  
scorned, and ultimately slaughtered  
by the very persons who claim to be  
his good friends.*

*Ouch !!*

*That is the Messianic promise.*

*A redeemer.*

*A deliverer.*

*A substitutionary sacrifice  
on behalf of fallen, wicked man.*

*That is the promise.*

*Which first started as an oral tradition,  
with reverberations throughout  
all of the ancient mythologies,  
and especially the so-called hero myths,  
which then awaited the invention*

*of an alphabetic language, from cuneiform,  
to Phoenecian, to Hebrew, to Greek,  
in order to add much more detail,  
which was now more permanently recorded  
in a written form.*

*For 500 years of Persian ascendancy  
our God providentially saw to  
the building of the Eastern roads  
by which this alphabetic writing  
would be able to freely spread.*

*After which the Western roads were built  
by the Greeks and Romans,  
until the entire ancient world found itself  
covered with a huge road network  
by which Paul and the Apostles  
would be able to freely travel  
from one end of the known world to the other.*

*Thus bringing about the fulfillment of promise,  
by making the communications system  
come into existence,  
by which this gospel (good news)  
would be spread and communicated  
to all to whom the Lord had ordained  
from before the foundation of the world,  
in “the fullness of the times”  
(see **Galatians 4:4-5** and **Ephesians 2:10**).*

*Nothing left to chance,  
as the Lord God Omnipotent  
effectually carried His desires into effect,  
in spite of much opposition  
from Satan and his followers  
(see **Isaiah 55:11**).*

*A war which is being fought continuously,  
while you and I are barely aware,  
even if at all,  
as to what is taking place all around us,  
on every side.*

*So, again, I must ask,  
rhetorically, but of course,  
**what is Messianism ?***

*It is the waiting for this person  
to come to this Earth  
and make His presence known.*

*It is the fact that provision has been made,  
and that every detail has been,  
or will be, caused to take place,  
under the direction of the Highest Power.*

***Messianism is** the believing in,  
and looking forward to,  
the revealing of the Son of God in human flesh.*

*The revealing of the God-man,  
as king over all the earth,  
and all created beings.*

*It is the waiting and watching for  
this supernatural person to become manifest.*

*We looking for one who is anointed  
by our Father who Art in Heaven,  
as his earthly manifestation  
and representation,  
containing the fullness of the Godhead bodily  
(see **Colossians 2:9**).*

*Because He is supernatural,  
it would only naturally be expected  
that His earthly presence  
would be surrounded by the supernatural.*

*A supernatural being  
surrounded by supernatural goings on.*

*The revealing of “the One”  
who was prophesied from ancient times.*

*A person who would most definitely  
**STAND OUT** from the rest of the crowd.*



*A Messianic expectation  
(see, for examples, **John 4:25–26**,  
**John 1:19–22**, **Matthew 1:22–23**,  
and **Matthew 2:1–8**).*

*So, Messianism begins with a promise,  
and expectation,  
and finally, a fulfillment,  
in the form of an extraordinary being.*

*And of course, with all of the controversy  
that can and will surround  
such a series of claims and beliefs,  
before, during, and after the fact  
of the revealing of such an entity.*

*This, of course, includes our recognition of,  
and response to, this series of events.*

*For once one becomes cognizant,  
one becomes responsible,  
and hopefully, responsive.*

*Watching and waiting.*

*Searching and seeking.*

*Until the Son of God  
is finally and fully revealed to us in this world.*

*Awaiting His coming.*

*Accordingly, men diligently searched  
the prophetic writings  
for clues as to who it would be, and when.*

*Where He would come from.*

*How one would recognize Him.*

*And how one could or would tell Him  
from numerous deceivers,  
and pretended messiahs.*

*Satan did not sleep during all of this.*

*Being the deceiver that he is  
(the father of lies; see **John 8:44**)  
it didn't take him long to start creating  
false prophets,  
and false religions,  
and false messiahs.*

*All with just enough truth to trick the unwary.*

*Many world religions  
and philosophies  
and belief systems  
were created by the dark lord  
to turn many away from the truth*

*So that they may pay homage to him  
and his system of lies and half-truths,  
and obfuscations, and changing of  
the plain meaning of words.*

*Such that one is so inundated with false signals  
that it would seem to be hopeless  
to know Messiah when seeing Him.*

*You can hear the same lies every day,  
right now, as people claim that  
Jesus of Nazareth is an avatar,  
or a prophet,  
being just like Buddha,  
or Mohammed.*

*Then, because our Heavenly Father  
chose to give us a BOOK for guidance,  
now everyone else has a book of their own,  
to compete with the Holy Spirit-inspired  
(God-breathed) writings.*

*Rites and rituals which were created  
as models and types of things to come  
(e.g. the temple and animal sacrifice)  
become a part of this panoply of ideas.*

*Because the seed of a woman was promised,  
all of a sudden every single  
Satan-inspired mimicry  
has a mother and child of its own.*

*With statues of same being created early on,  
and then being clothed, “fed”,  
and carried about in idol processions,  
and worshipped by all,  
even unto this very day.*

*Now, all of a sudden,  
there are stories of creatures  
that are claimed to be half-human  
and half-god (demigods)  
sprouting up all over the place.*

*Stories of God-like heroes abounding  
on every side.*

*Through means of cross-cultural exchange,  
soon enough, every culture has some kind of  
similar sets of stories, all claiming to originate  
from some source of ultimate truth.*

*And no end of soothsayers,  
and prognosticators,  
and all of their huckster enablers,  
all trying to make a living (\$\$\$)  
off of their pretended secret knowledge.*

*Create so many lookalikes,  
and sound-alikes,  
that it becomes  
a seemingly overwhelming task  
to even begin to untangle  
this web of deceit and lies  
and misdirection and confusion.*

*Whereby Satan causes the hope  
which comes from the promise  
to turn into hopelessness and despair,  
and a feeling of never being able to ascertain  
which is truth and which is fiction.*

*The hopelessness which causes one  
to throw one's hands up into the air,  
as one decides to just reject all of it,  
all at once.*

*Living in ignorance and despair  
seeming to be far more desirable  
than this state of affairs.*

*Noting that this model of confusion  
has worked so well that it was used  
for thousands of years before,  
and now thousands of years after,  
the revealing of Messiah.*

*Slight permutations from system to system,  
but all essentially the same  
when looked upon more closely.*

*So much so that **comparative mythology**  
has become an object for study  
in which the things in common  
are shown to be numerous and widespread.*

*One does not even have any idea how to even  
begin to untie this "Gordian knot".*

*And with all of the religious "helpers"  
assisting you,  
each claiming to be divinely inspired  
and authoritative,  
things become even more hopeless,  
as I begin to despair just from  
describing it here.*

*This being why I make  
such a marked distinction  
between the man-made religions  
versus God-made truth from above.*

*When everyone has a different opinion,  
while all claim to be equally authoritative,  
there are bound to be problems  
with numerous divisions and schisms  
having become the order of the day.*

*Numerous false Christs,  
false messiahs,  
and false systems  
all competing for your  
very limited attention and lifespan.*

*With hopelessness posing as divine guidance,  
each and every step of the way.*

*So, what to do?*

***By continuous seeking***  
*you shall find.*

***By continuous asking***  
*it shall be answered.*

***By continuous knocking***  
*it shall be opened to you*  
*(see **Matthew 7:7-8**). ---*

*and behold I send you the Paraclete  
(literally the one called to your side  
i.e. the Holy Spirit)  
who will show you all things  
and bring them to remembrance  
(see **John 14:16** and **John 14:26**).*

***Sola scriptura***

***Sola fide***

***Sola gratia***

*that is,*  
***solely by scripture***  
***solely by faith***  
***and solely by grace***

*This was the battle cry of the Reformers  
during what has come to be known as  
the Protestant Reformation,  
following centuries of having been  
clearly led astray  
by their fellow co-religionists,  
who had replaced Scripture with “tradition”.*

*Replaced living faith with  
pretended faith,  
being blind faith in manmade doctrines,  
like transubstantiation.*



*My faith in God  
now having been turned into faith in man,  
by those who claim to be  
turning bread into flesh,  
and wine into blood,  
by use of magical rites and incantations,  
so that they may cause you to bow down,  
and to idolatrously worship their “wafer god”.*

*The fact that chemical analysis  
shows that no such transformation,  
or any transformation at all,  
has actually taken place  
by means of these pretended sacrificial rites  
and magical incantations,  
causing purveyors of this system  
to cry out that one must blindly believe  
what they are being told,  
and then pretending that  
this is what scriptural faith is.*

*Of course, no such usage  
of the Greek word translated "faith" (belief)  
can be shown to exist in the New Testament.*

*So that they now claim that  
believing in their magical abilities  
is a matter of deeper “faith”,  
and that God has demanded  
that you turn off your (God-given)  
critical faculties,  
and just believe in these fairytales  
and ungodly concoctions  
which are being purveyed by them.*

*Always for a price (\$\$\$).*

*Bought and paid for in gold and silver,  
and precious objects, seemingly without end,  
but of course.*

*A “huckster heaven”, if ever there was one.*

*So now stupid blind ignorance  
is held up as a virtue,  
as the plain meaning of words  
are subtly and craftily changed  
to suit the purposes of those  
who would “lord it over” their fellow man,  
to the detriment of ALL living creatures,  
as it turns out.*

*So, faith,  
which is simple “belief”,  
has been turned, ever so subtly,  
into a system of works.*

*While the Apostle Paul is abundantly clear  
that grace and works are mutually exclusive  
(see **Romans 11:6**),  
that can simply be disregarded  
as just another man's opinion,  
because we have loads and loads of tradition  
which says otherwise.*

*And grace (unmerited favor)  
is no longer grace  
(see **Ephesians 2:8** – faith is a gift of God).*

*For now it is not something given freely,  
which is the plain meaning of the word,  
but is now pretended to be  
the means by which one is  
to pull oneself up by one's own bootstraps,  
as grace now becomes a debt owed to us,  
because of our good works.*

*And now, all of a sudden,  
good works become working for  
their cult of Maryolotry,  
which they now further claim to be  
the one and only true religion/system.*

*A rather ridiculous claim  
in light of Scripture and history.*

*For how did the Romanist system  
of the western empire  
rise to such pretended primacy  
and ascendancy, anyhow ?*

*Oh, by means of excommunicating  
and murdering as many as possible  
who belonged to the Eastern Othodoxy  
and original system,  
in what has come to be known in history as  
**"The Great Schism of 1054"**.*

*Yes, declare all of the "others"  
to be schismatics and heretics,  
and simply excommunicate  
and murder them all,  
and voilà, suddenly the Greek New Testament,  
which text was being protected by  
Greek speaking persons  
of the Eastern and original  
and oldest assemblies of believers,  
whose native language it is,  
has been replaced by Jerome's  
highly corrupted Latin Vulgate.*

*Nasty old Greek from the East  
having been replaced  
by the Latin vernacular of the West.*

*A model which has served well  
these moderns,  
who now loudly proclaim  
that we cannot know  
the true and original text,  
with any degree of certainty,  
such that who knows what “version”  
of the Bible to believe ?*

*So now the very Word of God  
is castigated,  
and kicked off to the sidelines  
as being somehow unreliable.*

*Confusion replacing certainty  
just a little bit more each day,  
as secular humanism (i.e. nihilism)  
becomes the true religion of our day,  
while claiming to be  
far more intellectually superior to  
those ancient superstitions  
of ignorant backwards people.*

*Such that now we have an entire society  
of ungodly, not-too-bright persons,  
who think that their Heavenly Father  
is “**The Great Ape**” of Heaven,  
and planet Earth.*

*And who think that life has come from non-life,  
without even one shred of empirical evidence,  
i.e. no one can show such a process  
taking place, or can demonstrate  
an actual process by which such  
has happened or even COULD happen !*

*All hypothesis and theory,  
replacing any kind of certainty,  
and then calling this "science",  
as they sneer down at all  
who aren't going for this  
utterly ridiculous nonsense,  
and, but of course,  
they are able to falsely point at  
all of the phony purveyors of false religions  
as their example of your only other  
intellectual alternative.*

*Two forms of unreason and nonsense  
being given to you  
as your only intellectual  
and spiritual choices.*

*A false dichotomy if ever there was one.*

*Is it any wonder that downright nihilism  
and hopelessness  
have become the vanguard of our age ?*

*With secular materialism,  
i.e. mammon worship,  
and unbridled lust  
having become the order of the day ?*

*And “here I stand” at this very dark hour,  
as I survey all of the human wreckage  
on every side.*

*Surely by it's a rotten, murderous,  
mammon-worshiping fruits,  
you should be able to see it  
and know it for what it truly is  
(see **Matthew 7:16–23**).*

*But, alas, such is not the case at all.*

*Not now, and never has been.*

*Lies upon lies upon lies,  
having become far more desirable  
than even the slightest amount of truth.*

*It is as if you are very much alone  
in your quest for truth.*

*But, not to get too upset,  
for such it has been from the very beginning,  
it would seem.*

## **EPILOGUE**

### **MODERN FALSE PROPHETS AND FALSE PROPHECY**

*I marvel that ye are so soon removed  
from him that called you into the grace of Christ  
unto **another gospel**:*

*Which is not another;  
but there be **some** that trouble you,  
and **would pervert the gospel of Christ**.*

*But though we, or an angel from heaven,  
**preach any other gospel** unto you  
than that which we have preached unto you,  
**let him be accursed**.*

*As we said before,  
so say I now again,  
**If any man preach any other gospel unto you  
than that ye have received,  
let him be accursed**.*

**Galatians 1:6-9**



*Take heed therefore unto yourselves,  
and to all the flock,  
over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers,  
to feed the church of God,  
which he hath purchased with his own blood.*

*For I know this,  
**that after my departing  
shall grievous wolves enter in among you,  
not sparing the flock.***

***Also of your own selves shall men arise,  
speaking perverse things,  
to draw away disciples after them.***

*Therefore watch, and remember,  
that by the space of three years  
I ceased not to warn every one  
night and day with tears.*

**Acts 20:28-31**

And **Enoch** also, the seventh from Adam,  
**prophesied of these**, saying,

*Behold, the Lord cometh  
with ten thousands of his saints,  
To execute judgment upon all,  
and to convince all that are ungodly among them  
of all their ungodly deeds  
which they have ungodly committed,  
and of all their hard speeches  
which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.*

*These are murmurers,  
complainers, walking after their own lusts;  
and their mouth speaketh great swelling words,  
having men's persons in admiration  
because of advantage.*

**But, beloved,  
remember ye the words  
which were spoken before  
of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ;**

***How that they told you  
there should be mockers in the last time,  
who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.***

***These be they who separate themselves,  
sensual, having not the Spirit.***

*But ye, beloved,  
building up yourselves on your most holy faith,  
praying in the Holy Ghost,  
Keep yourselves in the love of God,  
looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ  
unto eternal life.*

**Jude 1:14-21**

***Beware of false prophets,  
which come to you in sheep's clothing,  
but inwardly they are ravening wolves.***

***Ye shall know them by their fruits.***

*Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles ?*

*Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit;  
but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.*

*A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit,  
neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.*

*Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit  
is hewn down, and cast into the fire.*

***Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.***

***Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord,  
shall enter into the kingdom of heaven;  
but he that doeth the will of my father  
which is in heaven.***

***Many will say to me in that day,  
Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name ?  
and in thy name have cast out devils ?  
and in thy name done many wonderful works ?***

***And then will I profess unto them,  
I never knew you:  
depart from me, ye that work iniquity.***

***Matthew 7:15-23***

*For then shall be great tribulation,  
such as was not since the beginning of the world  
to this time,  
no, nor ever shall be.*

*And except those days should be shortened,  
there should no flesh be saved:  
but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.*

*Then if any man shall say unto you,  
Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.*

***For there shall arise false Christs,  
and false prophets,  
and shall show great signs and wonders;  
insomuch that, if it were possible,  
they shall deceive the very elect.***

*Behold, I have told you before.*

*Wherefore **if they shall say unto you,**  
Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth:  
behold, **he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.***

*For as the lightning cometh out of the east,  
and shineth even unto the west;  
so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.*

***Matthew 24:21-27***

*Little children, it is the last time:  
and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come,  
**even now are there many antichrists;**  
whereby we know that it is the last time.*

*They went out from us, but they were not of us;  
for if they had been of us,  
they would no doubt have continued with us:*

***but they went out,  
that they might be made manifest  
that they were not all of us.***

*But **ye have an unction** from the Holy One,  
and ye know all things.*

*I have not written unto you  
because ye know not the truth,  
but because ye know it,  
and that no lie is of the truth.*

***Who is a liar  
but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ ?***

***He is antichrist,  
that denieth the Father and the Son.***

***Whosoever denieth the Son,  
the same hath not the Father:  
but he that acknowledgeth the Son  
hath the Father also.***

*Let that therefore abide in you,  
which ye have heard from the beginning.*

*If that which ye have heard from the beginning  
shall remain in you,  
ye also shall continue in the Son,  
and in the Father.*

***I John 2:18-24***

***But there were false prophets also among the people,  
even as there shall be false teachers among you,  
who privily shall bring in damnable heresies,  
even denying the Lord that bought them,  
and bring upon themselves swift destruction.***

***And many shall follow their pernicious ways;  
by reason of whom  
the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.***

***And through covetousness  
shall they with feigned words  
make merchandise of you:  
whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not,  
and their damnation slumbereth not.***

*For if God spared not the angels that sinned,  
but cast them down to hell,  
and delivered them into chains of darkness,  
to be reserved unto judgment;*

*And spared not the old world,  
but saved Noah the eighth person,  
a preacher of righteousness,  
bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;*

*And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah  
into ashes condemned them with an overthrow,  
making them an ensample  
unto those that after should live ungodly;*

*And delivered just Lot,  
vexed with the filthy conversation of the wicked:  
(For that righteous man dwelling among them,  
in seeing and hearing,  
vexed his righteous soul from day to day  
with their unlawful deeds;)*

*The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly  
out of temptations,  
and to reserve the unjust unto the day of judgment  
to be punished:*

*But chiefly them that walk after the flesh  
in the lust of uncleanness,  
and despise government.*

*Presumptuous are they, selfwilled,  
they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.*

*Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might,  
bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.*

*But these, as natural brute beasts,  
made to be taken and destroyed,  
speak evil of the things that they understand not;  
and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;*

*And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness,  
as they that count it pleasure to riot in the daytime.*

*Spots they are and blemishes,  
sporting themselves with their own deceivings  
while they feast with you;*

*Having eyes full of adultery,  
and that cannot cease from sin;  
beguiling unstable souls:  
an heart they have exercised with covetous practices;  
cursed children:*

*Which have forsaken the right way,  
and are gone astray,  
following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor,  
who loved the wages of unrighteousness;*

*But was rebuked for his iniquity:  
the dumb ass speaking with man's voice  
forbad the madness of the prophet.*

*These are wells without water,  
clouds that are carried with a tempest;  
to whom the mist of darkness is reserved for ever.*

*For when **they speak great swelling words of vanity,**  
**they allure through the lusts of the flesh,**  
**through much wantonness,**  
those that were clean escaped from them who live in error.*

***While they promise them liberty,**  
**they themselves are the servants of corruption:**  
for of whom a man is overcome,  
of the same is he brought in bondage.*

*For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world  
through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,  
they are again entangled therein, and overcome,  
the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.*

*For it had been better for them not to have known  
the way of righteousness,  
than, after they have known it,  
to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.*

*But it is happened unto them  
according to the true proverb,  
The dog is turned to his own vomit again;  
and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.*

***II Peter 2:1-22***



*Moreover, brethren,  
I would not that ye should be ignorant,  
how that **all our fathers were under the cloud,  
and all passed through the sea;***

***And were all baptized unto Moses  
in the cloud and in the sea;***

***And did all eat the same spiritual meat;***

***And did all drink the same spiritual drink:  
for they drank of that spiritual Rock  
that followed them:  
and that Rock was Christ.***

*But with many of them God was not well pleased:  
for they were overthrown in the wilderness.*

*Now these things were our examples,  
to the intent we should not lust after evil things,  
as they also lusted.*

*Neither be ye idolaters,  
as were some of them;  
as it is written,  
The people sat down to eat and drink,  
and rose up to play.*

*Neither let us commit fornication,  
as some of them committed,  
and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.*

*Neither let us tempt Christ,  
as some of them also tempted,  
and were destroyed of serpents.*

*Neither murmur ye,  
as some of them also murmured,  
and were destroyed of the destroyer.*

***Now all these things happened unto them  
for ensamples:  
and they are written for our admonition,  
upon whom the ends of the world are come.***

***Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth  
take heed lest he fall.***

*There hath no temptation taken you  
but such as is common to man:  
but God is faithful,  
who will not suffer you to be tempted  
above that ye are able;  
but will with the temptation  
also make a way to escape,  
that ye may be able to bear it.*

*Wherefore, my dearly beloved,  
flee from idolatry.*

***I Corinthians 10:1-14***

*For it came to pass,  
**when Solomon was old,**  
**that his wives turned away his heart after other gods:**  
and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God,  
as was the heart of David his father.*

*For Solomon went after **Ashtoreth**  
**the goddess of the Zidonians,**  
and after **Milcom**  
**the abomination of the Ammonites.***

*And **Solomon did evil** in the sight of the LORD,  
and went not fully after the LORD,  
as did David his father.*

*Then did Solomon **build an high place for Chemosh,**  
**the abomination of Moab,**  
in the hill that is before Jerusalem,  
and for **Molech,**  
**the abomination of the children of Ammon.***

*And likewise did he for all his strange wives,  
which burnt incense and sacrificed unto their gods.*

*And the LORD was angry with Solomon,  
because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel,  
which had appeared unto him twice,*

*And had commanded him concerning this thing,  
that he should not go after other gods:  
but he kept not that which the LORD commanded.*

*Wherefore the LORD said unto Solomon,  
Forasmuch as this is done of thee,  
and thou hast not kept my covenant and my statutes,  
which I have commanded thee,  
I will surely rend the kingdom from thee,  
and will give it to thy servant.*

***I Kings 11: 4-11***

*Hear another parable:  
There was a certain householder,  
which **planted a vineyard**,  
and **hedged it round about**,  
and **digged a winepress in it**,  
and **built a tower**,  
and let it out to husbandmen,  
and went into a far country:*

*And when the time of the fruit drew near,  
he sent his servants to the husbandmen,  
that they might receive the fruits of it.*

*And the husbandmen took his servants,  
and beat one,  
and killed another,  
and stoned another.*

*Again, he sent other servants more than the first:  
and they did unto them likewise.*

*But last of all he sent unto them his son,  
saying,  
They will reverence my son.*

*But when the husbandmen saw the son,  
they said among themselves,  
This is the heir;  
come, let us kill him,  
and let us seize on his inheritance.*

*And they caught him,  
and cast him out of the vineyard,  
and slew him.*

***When the lord therefore of the vineyard cometh,  
what will he do unto those husbandmen ?***

*They say unto him,  
He will miserably destroy those wicked men,  
and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen,  
which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.*

*Jesus saith unto them,  
Did ye never read in the scriptures,  
The stone which the builders rejected,  
the same is become the head of the corner:  
this is the Lord's doing,  
and it is marvellous in our eyes ?*

*Therefore say I unto you,  
**The kingdom of God shall be taken from you,  
and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.***

*And whosoever shall fall on this stone shall be broken:  
but on whomsoever it shall fall,  
it will grind him to powder.*

*And when the **chief priests and Pharisees**  
had heard his parables,  
**they perceived that he spake of them.***

*But when they **sought to lay hands on him,**  
they feared the multitude,  
because they took him for a prophet.*

**Matthew 21:33-46**

*Now will I sing to my wellbeloved  
a song of my beloved touching his vineyard.*

***My wellbeloved hath a vineyard***  
*in a very fruitful hill:*

*And **he fenced it,**  
and gathered out the stones thereof,  
and planted it with the choicest vine,  
and **built a tower in the midst of it,**  
and also **made a winepress therein:**  
and he looked that it should bring forth grapes,  
and it brought forth wild grapes.*

*And now, O inhabitants of Jerusalem,  
and men of Judah,  
judge, I pray you, betwixt me and my vineyard.*

*What could have been done more to my vineyard,  
that I have not done in it ?  
wherefore, when I looked that it should bring forth grapes,  
brought it forth wild grapes ?*

*And now go to;  
**I will tell you what I will do to my vineyard:**  
**I will take away the hedge** thereof,  
and it shall be eaten up;  
and **break down the wall** thereof,  
and it shall be trodden down:*

*And **I will lay it waste:**  
it shall not be pruned, nor digged;  
but there shall come up briers and thorns:  
I will also command the clouds  
that they rain no rain upon it.*

***For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts  
is the house of Israel,  
and the men of Judah his pleasant plant:  
and he looked for judgment,  
but behold oppression;  
for righteousness,  
but behold a cry.***

***Isaiah 5:1-7***

*And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple:  
and his **disciples** came to him  
for **to shew him the buildings of the temple.***

*And Jesus said unto them,  
**See ye not all these things ?***

*verily I say unto you,  
**There shall not be left here one stone upon another,  
that shall not be thrown down.***

***Matthew 24:1-2***



***Then spake Jesus to the multitude,  
and to his disciples,***

***Saying,***

*The scribes and the Pharisees sit in Moses' seat:*

*All therefore whatsoever they bid you observe,  
that observe and do;  
but **do not ye after their works:**  
**for they say, and do not.***

*For **they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne,  
and lay them on men's shoulders;**  
**but they themselves will not move them  
with one of their fingers.***

*But **all their works they do for to be seen of men:**  
they make broad their **phylacteries,**  
and enlarge the **borders of their garments,***

*And **love the uppermost rooms at feasts,**  
and the **chief seats in the synagogues,***

*And **greetings in the markets,**  
and **to be called of men, Rabbi, Rabbi.***

***But be not ye called Rabbi:**  
**for one is your Master, even Christ;**  
**and all ye are brethren.***

*And **call no man your father upon the earth:**  
**for one is your Father,**  
**which is in heaven.***

*Neither be ye called masters:  
for one is your Master,  
even Christ.*

*But he that is greatest among you  
shall be your servant.*

*And whosoever shall exalt himself  
shall be abased;  
and he that shall humble himself  
shall be exalted.*

***But woe unto you,  
scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites !***

***for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven against men:  
for ye neither go in yourselves,  
neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.***

***Woe unto you,  
scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites !***

***for ye devour widows' houses,  
and for a pretence make long prayer:  
therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.***

***Woe unto you,  
scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites !***

***for ye compass sea and land  
to make one proselyte,  
and when he is made,  
ye make him twofold more  
the child of hell than yourselves.***

***Woe unto you, ye blind guides,  
which say,***

***Whosoever shall swear by the temple,  
it is nothing;  
but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple,  
he is a debtor !***

***Ye fools and blind:***

***for whether is greater,  
the gold,  
or the temple that sanctifieth the gold ?***

*And,  
Whosoever shall swear by the altar,  
it is nothing;  
but whosoever sweareth by the gift that is upon it,  
he is guilty.*

*Ye fools and blind:  
for whether is greater,  
the gift,  
or the altar that sanctifieth the gift ?*

*Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar,  
sweareth by it,  
and by all things thereon.*

*And whoso shall swear by the temple,  
sweareth by it,  
and by him that dwelleth therein.*

*And he that shall swear by heaven,  
sweareth by the throne of God,  
and by him that sitteth thereon.*

***Woe unto you,  
scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites !  
for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin,  
and have omitted the weightier matters of the law,  
judgment,  
mercy,  
and faith:  
these ought ye to have done,  
and not to leave the other undone.***

*Ye blind guides,  
which strain at a gnat,  
and swallow a camel.*

**Woe unto you,  
scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites !**

*for ye make clean the outside of the cup and of the platter,  
but within they are full of **extortion and excess**.*

*Thou blind Pharisee,  
cleanse first that which is within the cup and platter,  
that the outside of them may be clean also.*

**Woe unto you,  
scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites !**

*for **ye are like unto whited sepulchres**,  
which indeed appear beautiful outward,  
but are within full of dead men's bones,  
and of all uncleanness.*

**Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous  
unto men,  
but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.**

**Woe unto you,  
scribes and Pharisees,  
hypocrites !**

*because ye build the tombs of the prophets,  
and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous,*

*And say,  
**If we had been in the days of our fathers,  
we would not have been partakers with them  
in the blood of the prophets.***

**Wherefore ye be witnesses unto yourselves,  
that ye are the children of them  
which killed the prophets.**

*Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers.*

***Ye serpents,  
ye generation of vipers,  
how can ye escape the damnation of hell ?***

***Wherefore,  
behold,  
I send unto you prophets,  
and wise men,  
and scribes:  
and some of them ye shall kill and crucify;  
and some of them shall ye scourge  
in your synagogues,  
and persecute them from city to city:***

***That upon you may come  
all the righteous blood shed upon the earth,  
from the blood of righteous Abel  
unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias,  
whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.***

***Verily I say unto you,  
All these things shall come upon this generation.***

***O Jerusalem, Jerusalem,  
thou that killest the prophets,  
and stonest them which are sent unto thee,  
how often would I have gathered thy children together,  
even as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings,  
and ye would not !***

***Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.***

***For I say unto you,  
Ye shall not see me henceforth,  
till ye shall say,  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.***

***Matthew 23:1-39***

*And their dead bodies shall lie in the street  
of **the great city**,  
which **spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt**,  
**where also our Lord was crucified.***

***Revelation 11:8***

***The merchandise of gold, and silver,  
and precious stones,  
and of pearls,  
and fine linen, and purple,  
and silk, and scarlet,  
and all thyine wood,  
and all manner vessels of ivory,  
and all manner vessels of most precious wood,  
and of brass, and iron, and marble,***

*And cinnamon, and odours,  
and ointments, and frankincense,  
and wine, and oil,  
and fine flour, and wheat,  
and beasts, and sheep,  
and horses, and chariots,  
and slaves, **and souls of men.***

***Revelation 18:12-13***

*Beloved,  
**believe not every spirit,**  
**but try the spirits** whether they are of God:  
because  
**many false prophets are gone out into the world.***

*Hereby know ye the Spirit of God:  
Every spirit that confesseth  
that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh  
is of God:*

***And every spirit that confesseth not  
that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh  
is not of God:***

***and this is that spirit of antichrist,  
whereof ye have heard that it should come;  
and even now already is it in the world.***

***I John 4:1-3***



*And now I beseech thee, lady,  
not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee,  
but that which we had from the beginning,  
that we love one another.*

*And this is love,  
that we walk after his commandments.*

*This is the commandment,  
That, as ye have heard from the beginning,  
ye should walk in it.*

***For many deceivers are entered into the world,  
who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh.  
This is a deceiver and an antichrist.***

***II John 1:5-7***

*And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write;  
These things saith the first and the last,  
which was dead, and is alive;*

*I know thy works, and tribulation,  
and poverty (but thou art rich),  
and **I know the blasphemy of them  
which say they are Jews, and are not,  
but are the synagogue of Satan.***

*Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer:  
behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison,  
that ye may be tried;  
and ye shall have tribulation ten days:  
be thou faithful unto death,  
and I will give thee a crown of life.*

*He that hath an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;  
He that overcometh  
shall not be hurt of the second death.*

**Revelation 2:8-11**

*And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write;  
These things saith he that is holy, he that is true,  
he that hath the key of David,  
he that openeth, and no man shutteth;  
and shutteth, and no man openeth;*

*I know thy works:  
behold, I have set before thee an open door,  
and no man can shut it:  
for thou hast a little strength,  
and hast kept my word,  
and hast not denied my name.*

***Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan,  
which say they are Jews,  
and are not, but do lie;***  
*behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet,  
and to know that I have loved thee.*

*Because thou hast kept the word of my patience,  
I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation,  
which shall come upon all the world,  
to try them that dwell upon the earth.*

*Behold, I come quickly:  
hold that fast which thou hast,  
that no man take thy crown.*

*Him that overcometh  
will I make a pillar in the temple of my God,  
and he shall go no more out:  
and I will write upon him the name of my God,  
and the name of the city of my God,  
which is **new Jerusalem,**  
**which cometh down out of heaven** from my God:  
and I will write upon him my new name.*

*He that hath an ear,  
let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.*

**Revelation 3:7-13**

*But what I do, that I will do,  
that I may cut off occasion  
from them which desire occasion;  
that wherein they glory,  
they may be found even as we.*

***For such are false apostles,  
deceitful workers,  
transforming themselves into  
the apostles of Christ.***

***And no marvel;  
for Satan himself is transformed  
into an angel of light.***

***Therefore it is no great thing  
if his ministers also be transformed  
as the ministers of righteousness;  
whose end shall be according to their works.***

***II Corinthians 11:12-15***

O foolish Galatians,  
**who hath bewitched you,**  
that ye should not obey the truth,  
before whose eyes Jesus Christ  
hath been evidently set forth,  
crucified among you ? ---

**Even as Abraham believed God,**  
**and it was accounted to him for righteousness.**

Know ye therefore that **they which are of faith,**  
**the same are the children of Abraham.**

And **the scripture,**  
foreseeing that God would justify the heathen  
through faith,  
**preached before the gospel unto Abraham,**  
saying,  
**In thee shall all nations be blessed.**

**So then they which be of faith**  
**are blessed with faithful Abraham. ---**

Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law,  
being made a curse for us:  
for it is written,  
Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

**That the blessing of Abraham**  
**might come on the Gentiles**  
**through Jesus Christ;**  
that we might receive the promise of the Spirit  
through faith. ---

**Now to Abraham and his seed**  
**were the promises made.**

**He saith not,  
And to seeds,  
as of many;  
but as of one,  
And to thy seed,  
which is Christ.**

And this I say,  
that **the covenant**,  
that was confirmed before of God in Christ,  
**the law**,  
which was four hundred and thirty years after,  
**cannot disannul**  
that it should make the promise of none effect.

For if the inheritance be of the law,  
it is no more of promise:  
but God gave it to Abraham by promise. ---

**For ye are all the children of God  
by faith in Christ Jesus.**

**For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ  
have put on Christ.**

**There is neither Jew nor Greek,  
there is neither bond nor free,  
there is neither male nor female:  
for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.**

**And if ye be Christ's,  
then are ye Abraham's seed,  
and heirs according to the promise.**

**Galatians 3:1; 6-9; 13-14; 16-18; 26-29**

*And we know that all things work together for good  
to them that love God,  
to them who are **the called**  
**according to his purpose.***

*For whom he did **foreknow**,  
he also did **predestinate**  
to be conformed to the image of his Son,  
that he might be the firstborn  
among many brethren.*

*Moreover whom he did **predestinate**,  
them he also **called**:  
and whom he **called**,  
them he also **justified**:  
and whom he **justified**,  
them he also **glorified**.*

**Romans 8:28-30**  
**the ordo salutis**  
**the order of salvation**

**foreknowledge**  
**predestination**  
**calling**  
**justification**  
**glorification**

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings  
in heavenly places in Christ:*

*According as **he hath chosen us in him  
before the foundation of the world,**  
that we should be holy and without blame  
before him in love:*

***Having predestinated us  
unto the adoption of children**  
by Jesus Christ to himself,  
according to the good pleasure of his will,*

*To the praise of the glory of his grace,  
wherein he **hath made us accepted** in the beloved.*

*In whom we have redemption through his blood,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
according to the riches of his grace;*

*Wherein he hath abounded toward us  
in all wisdom and prudence;*

***Having made known unto us the mystery of his will,**  
according to his good pleasure  
which he hath purposed in himself:*

*That in the dispensation of the fulness of times  
he might gather together in one all things in Christ,  
both which are in heaven,  
and which are on earth;  
even in him:*

*In whom **also we have obtained an inheritance,**  
**being predestinated**  
according to the purpose of him  
who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:*

*That we should be to the praise of his glory,  
who first trusted in Christ.*



*In whom ye also trusted,  
after that **ye heard the word of truth**,  
the gospel of your salvation:  
in whom also **after that ye believed**,  
**ye were sealed** with that holy Spirit of promise,*

*Which is the earnest of our inheritance  
until **the redemption of the purchased possession**,  
unto the praise of his glory.*

***Ephesians 1:3-14***

***For by grace are ye saved  
through faith;  
and that not of yourselves:  
it is the gift of God:***

***Not of works,  
lest any man should boast.***

***For we are his workmanship,  
created in Christ Jesus  
unto good works,  
which God hath before ordained  
that we should walk in them.***

*Wherefore remember,  
that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh,  
who are called Uncircumcision  
by that which is called the Circumcision  
in the flesh made by hands;*

*That at that time ye were without Christ,  
being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel,  
and strangers from the covenants of promise,  
having no hope,  
and without God in the world:*

*But now in Christ Jesus  
ye who sometimes were far off  
are made nigh by the blood of Christ.*

***For he is our peace,  
who hath made both one,  
and hath broken down  
the middle wall of partition between us;***

***Having abolished in his flesh the enmity,  
even the law of commandments  
contained in ordinances;  
for to make in himself of twain one new man,  
so making peace;***

***And that he might reconcile both unto God  
in one body by the cross,  
having slain the enmity thereby:  
And came and preached peace  
to you which were afar off,  
and to them that were nigh.***

***For through him we both have access by one Spirit  
unto the Father.***

***Now therefore ye are no more  
strangers and foreigners,  
but fellowcitizens with the saints,  
and of the household of God;***

***And are built upon the foundation  
of the apostles and prophets,  
Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;***

***In whom all the building fitly framed together  
groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:***

***In whom ye also are builded together  
for an habitation of God  
through the Spirit.***

***Ephesians 2:8-22***

*Whereby, when ye read,  
ye may understand my knowledge  
in the mystery of Christ*

*Which in other ages was not made known  
unto the sons of men,  
as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets  
by the Spirit;*

***That the Gentiles should be fellowheirs,  
and of the same body,  
and partakers of his promise in Christ  
by the gospel:***

***Ephesians 3:4-6***

*Brethren, be followers together of me,  
and mark them which walk  
so as ye have us for an ensample.*

***For many walk,  
of whom I have told you often,  
and now tell you even weeping,  
that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:***

***Whose end is destruction,  
whose God is their belly,  
and whose glory is in their shame,  
who mind earthly things.***

*For our conversation is in heaven;  
from whence also we look for the Saviour,  
the Lord Jesus Christ:*

*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.*

***Philippians 3:17-21***

*But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren,  
concerning them which are asleep,  
that ye sorrow not,  
even as others which have no hope.*

*For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again,  
even so them also which sleep in Jesus  
will God bring with him.*

***For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord,  
that we which are alive  
and remain unto the coming of the Lord  
shall not prevent them which are asleep.***

***For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven  
with a shout,  
with the voice of the archangel,  
and with the trump of God:  
and the dead in Christ shall rise first:***

***Then we which are alive and remain  
shall be caught up together with them in the clouds,  
to meet the Lord in the air:  
and so shall we ever be with the Lord.***

*Wherefore comfort one another with these words.*

***I Thessalonians 4:13-18***

*For ye, brethren,  
became followers of the churches of God  
which in Judaea are in Christ Jesus:  
**for ye also have suffered like things of your own  
countrymen, even as they have of the Jews:***

***Who both killed the Lord Jesus,  
and their own prophets,  
and have persecuted us;  
and they please not God,  
and are contrary to all men:***

*Forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles  
that they might be saved,  
to fill up their sins alway:  
**for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.***

***I Thessalonians 2:14-16***

*Now we beseech you, brethren,  
by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
and by our gathering together unto him,*

***That ye be not soon shaken in mind,  
or be troubled,  
neither by spirit,  
nor by word,  
nor by letter as from us,  
as that the day of Christ is at hand.***

***Let no man deceive you by any means:  
for that day shall not come,  
except there come a falling away first,  
and that man of sin be revealed,  
the son of perdition;***

*Who opposeth and exalteth himself  
above all that is called God,  
or that is worshipped;  
so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God,  
shewing himself that he is God.*

*Remember ye not,  
that, when I was yet with you,  
I told you these things ?*

*And now ye know what withholdeth  
that he might be revealed in his time.*

***For the mystery of iniquity doth already work:  
only he who now letteth will let,  
until he be taken out of the way.***

***And then shall that Wicked be revealed,  
whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth,  
and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:***

*Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan  
with all power and signs and lying wonders,*



*And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness  
in them that perish;  
because they received not the love of the truth,  
that they might be saved.*

***And for this cause  
God shall send them strong delusion,  
that they should believe the lie:***

*That they all might be damned  
who believed not the truth,  
but had pleasure in unrighteousness.*

*But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you,  
brethren beloved of the Lord,  
because **God hath from the beginning  
chosen you to salvation  
through sanctification of the Spirit  
and belief of the truth:***

*Whereunto **he called you by our gospel,**  
to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

*Therefore, brethren, stand fast,  
and hold the traditions which ye have been taught,  
whether by word, or our epistle.*

*Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself,  
and God, even our Father,  
which hath loved us,  
and hath given us everlasting consolation  
and good hope through grace,*

*Comfort your hearts,  
and stablish you in every good word and work.*

***II Thessalonians 2:1-17***

*Now the Spirit speaketh expressly,  
that in the latter times  
some shall depart from the faith,  
giving heed to seducing spirits,  
and doctrines of devils;*

*Speaking lies in hypocrisy;  
having their conscience seared with a hot iron;*

*Forbidding to marry,  
and commanding to abstain from meats,  
which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving  
of them which believe and know the truth.*

***I Timothy 4:1-3***

*Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds,  
and destitute of the truth,  
**supposing that gain is godliness:  
from such withdraw thyself.***

*But godliness with contentment is great gain.*

*For we brought nothing into this world,  
and it is certain we can carry nothing out.*

*And having food and raiment  
let us be therewith content.*

***But they that will be rich  
fall into temptation and a snare,  
and into many foolish and hurtful lusts,  
which drown men in destruction  
and perdition.***

***For the love of money is the root of all evil:**  
which while some coveted after,  
they have **erred from the faith,**  
and **pierced themselves through**  
with many sorrows.*

*But thou, O man of God,  
**flee these things;**  
and follow after righteousness,  
godliness,  
faith,  
love,  
patience,  
meekness.*

*Fight the good fight of faith,  
lay hold on eternal life,  
whereunto thou art also called,  
and hast professed a good profession  
before many witnesses.*

***I Timothy 6:5-12***

*This know also,  
that **in the last days perilous times shall come.***

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

*Without natural affection,  
trucebreakers,  
false accusers,  
incontinent,  
fierce,  
despisers of those that are good,*

*Traitors,  
heady,  
highminded,  
lovers of pleasures  
more than lovers of God;*

*Having a form of godliness,  
but denying the power thereof:  
from such turn away.*

*For of this sort are they which creep into houses,  
and lead captive silly women laden with sins,  
led away with divers lusts,*

***Ever learning,  
and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.***

***Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses,  
so do these also resist the truth:***  
*men of corrupt minds,  
reprobate concerning the faith.*

*But they shall proceed no further:  
for **their folly shall be manifest unto all men,**  
as theirs also was.*

*But thou hast fully known my doctrine,  
manner of life,  
purpose,  
faith,  
longsuffering,  
charity,  
patience,*

*Persecutions,  
afflictions,  
which came unto me at Antioch,  
at Iconium,  
at Lystra;  
what persecutions I endured:  
but out of them all the Lord delivered me.*

***Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus  
shall suffer persecution.***

***But evil men and seducers  
shall wax worse and worse,  
deceiving, and being deceived.***

*But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned  
and hast been assured of,  
knowing of whom thou hast learned them;*

*And that from a child  
thou hast known the holy scriptures,  
which are able to make thee wise unto salvation  
through faith which is in Christ Jesus.*

*All scripture is given by inspiration of God,  
and is profitable for doctrine,  
for reproof,  
for correction,  
for instruction in righteousness:*

*That the man of God may be perfect,  
thoroughly furnished unto all good works.*

*I charge thee therefore before God,  
and the Lord Jesus Christ,  
who shall judge the quick and the dead  
at his appearing and his kingdom;*

*Preach the word;  
be instant in season,  
out of season;  
reprove,  
rebuke,  
exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.*

***For the time will come  
when they will not endure sound doctrine;  
but after their own lusts  
shall they heap to themselves teachers,  
having itching ears;***

***And they shall turn away their ears from the truth,  
and shall be turned unto fables.***

***2 Timothy 3:1 - 4:4***

*Modern believers are plagued by persons claiming that ancient Hebrews and Judaeans have been resurrected from destruction, and reinstated, by God, as a people, and as a newly created nation.*

*Claiming that there now is a distinction between the judaeans and the gentiles, contrary to the very plain teachings of the new testament scriptures (see **Galatians 3:28-29**).*

*These moderns, instead, preaching **another gospel** of pretended end time prophecies, now said to replace all that the mainstream churches have previously understood and taught for over two millennia.*

*They claim that modern Babylonian Talmudist imposters and Kabbalists, whom they deceptively refer to as "jews", are destined to be the worldwide end time rulers of all mankind, contrary to the plain teachings of the Old Testament and the New Testament prophecies and writings.*

*There have always been two peoples,  
when it comes to matters of faith,  
and this appears to have been so  
from the very start.*

*While the ancients looked for  
the Coming Christos/Messiah,  
as revealed in the Old Testament prophecies,  
and the Mosaic temple economy,  
moderns are quite happy to create,  
and attempt to institute,  
a replacement caricature  
of the ancient temple religion,  
and its sacrificial system.*

*While the ancient Mosaic sacrificial system  
was instituted in order to cause persons  
to look forward to,  
and to begin to comprehend and understand  
the significance of "Christ crucified",  
these modern judaizers are unable to  
see past their own carnality,  
while, instead, embracing the carnal type  
of that which was to come,  
as if it were the ultimate fulfillment,  
in and of itself.*

*There have always been two types of persons,  
one spiritual,  
and one fleshly.*



*While the Lord God Omnipotent  
spoke to the spiritual persons  
in the form of Old Testament prophecy,  
the fleshly ones had no real desire for,  
or taste for, the things of The Spirit.*

*These are the same ones  
who murdered the Prophets,  
and then set up their own counterfeit system  
within the already existing temple economy.*

*They being all too happy  
to take part in rites and rituals,  
but with little or no understanding  
of just exactly what it truly IS all about.*

*Loving to think of themselves  
as being "God's chosen",  
even while they are unfaithful as can be  
when it comes to matters of obedience.*

*The Prophets, and New Testament writers,  
are full of warnings and rebukes  
concerning these types of persons.*

*It is said that these persons  
showed no interest in the  
"weightier matters of the law",  
justice, mercy, and faith  
(see **Matthew 23:23**).*

*Taking that which was intended to  
free a man from spiritual bondage,  
while instead using it for  
the very opposite purpose of  
enslaving their fellow humans,  
as they continuously fleece them  
as if they are their own little  
private flock of sheep.*

*Justice, mercy, and faith  
all having been tossed aside,  
while, instead,  
demanding obedience to their own  
man-made systems,  
instituting bondage and slavery,  
which more and more becomes  
their one and only concern.*

*So that while the coming Messiah  
is actually the entire focus  
of the Old Testament revelations,  
these change that focus into  
their own seeking after worldly affairs  
(the world, the flesh, and the devil)  
(see **I John 2:15-16**).*

*They both worship the building,  
and the furniture,  
and the rites and rituals,  
and their own military capabilities,  
in the place of coming closer to  
our Creator in the abject humility  
which is appropriate to the circumstances.*

*Just as it was then,  
so it is today.*

*The men ending up worshiping themselves,  
and the works of their own hands,  
in place of obedience to the living, loving God.*

*(self-worship = 666,  
the number of the beast in **Revelation 13:18**  
= the number of man, six, in triune form  
i.e. man as god = deified natural man)*

*So, just as today people speak of  
“a church” as being the building,  
instead of an assembly of persons  
inside the building,  
so the ancients came to regard  
their temple service and buildings  
as the true goal of their religion,  
to the exclusion of all else.*

*The flesh was warring against the spirit,  
with a vengeance !!*

*With the flesh easily prevailing  
and dominating, over and over again.*

*So that instead of looking for  
a new heavens and a new earth,  
as did Abraham and the Prophets  
(see **Hebrews 11:10**, **Isaiah 65:17**,  
**and Revelation 21**),  
these are perfectly happy with their current,  
hellish, material existence.*

*That is, so long as they can “prevail over”  
their fellow humans,  
whom they refer to as the goyim (cattle),  
and to “lord it” over them.*

*Two peoples from the very beginning.*

*One fleshly, worldly, and carnal,  
while the other is concerned only with  
how to be a sweet savor unto our Lord,  
with their focus being upon  
“that other Kingdom”  
(see **Hebrews 11:8-10**),  
the non-earthly one,  
for which our spiritual father Abraham  
was said to be searching.*

*That heavenly Jerusalem,  
which the Prophet Isaiah tells of  
in the last chapters of his prophetic writings.*

*They, instead, focusing exclusively upon  
the old covenant rites, rituals, and forms,  
while, all too conveniently forgetting that  
Jeremiah the Prophet told of a replacement  
“**new covenant**” (Jeremiah 31:31-34),  
which was to bring an end to,  
and replacement of, the old covenant,  
as also prophesied by Ezekiel  
(see Ezekiel 36:24-28).*

***"For if that first covenant had been faultless,  
then should no place have been sought  
for the second.***

*For finding fault with them,  
he saith,  
Behold, the days come,  
saith the Lord,  
when **I will make a new covenant**  
with the house of Israel  
and with the house of Judah:*

***Not according to the covenant  
that I made** with their fathers  
in the day when I took them by the hand  
to lead them out of the land of Egypt;  
because **they continued not in my covenant,**  
and I regarded them not,  
saith the Lord.*

For **this is the covenant** that I will make  
with the house of Israel after those days,  
saith the Lord;

**I will put my laws into their mind,  
and write them in their hearts:**  
and I will be to them a God,  
and they shall be to me a people:

And **they shall not teach** every man  
his neighbour, and every man his brother,  
saying, Know the Lord:  
for all shall know me,  
from the least to the greatest.

For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness,  
and their sins and their iniquities  
will I remember no more.

**In that he saith,  
A new covenant,  
he hath made the first old.**

**Now that which decayeth and waxeth old  
is ready to pass away."**

**Hebrews 8:7-13**

*A new covenant was prophesied,  
in which we will be changed from within,  
and one in which we need to call no man  
rabbi/teacher (see **I John 2:20-27**),  
because God, Himself,  
will write His law upon our hearts,  
such that we will know right from wrong,  
without having to be told which is which  
by some man or group of men.*

*Radical transformative change over time  
was built into the original temple system,  
from the very beginning,  
from type (animal sacrifice),  
to fulfillment (Christ/Messiah crucified  
and risen from the dead),  
as we steadily moved from shadow and type  
into substance and fulfillment,  
now having become actuality and reality  
in our daily existence.*

*There being no longer Judaeans nor Greek  
(see **Galatians 3:28-29**),  
but rather, those who will obey  
from a transformed heart,  
and those who will not obey.*

*So that where God instituted a system,  
which was intended to change and evolve  
over time, as one grows deeper  
in revelation coming from our Creator,  
so, the other became frozen in time.*

*As time and events progressed,  
with the earlier animal sacrificial system  
becoming less and less relevant by the day,  
the followers of the older covenant  
became more and more detached  
from historical reality.*

*Instead of desiring to continue moving  
forward toward our ultimate goal  
of spiritual union with Christos/Messiah  
(Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; see **I John 5:7**),  
their modern counterparts want everything in  
the older system of animal sacrifice and temple  
service to return, and to permanently remain  
as it once long ago was.*

*As if wanting to go back in time to their former  
“glory days”, instead of moving forward  
towards something which they apparently  
do not want, or care to know about.*

*The flesh dominating over the spirit.*



*The carnal and fleshly things being far more desirous to them than the things above, which they are unable to perceive with their carnal senses (see **I Corinthians 2:14**).*

*It appearing as though,  
so far as they are concerned,  
if it is not of the flesh,  
then it is of no concern or interest to them.*

*The worldly concerns being  
their only real concerns,  
while the otherworldly was relegated to  
anywhere but here and now.*

*Even after the twelve tribes of Israel  
had been ignominiously driven out  
of the carnal land of promise,  
because of their grotesque infidelity,  
and continuous covenant breaking  
(**Assyrian captivity** - approximately 722 b.c.  
**Babylonian captivity** - 587 b.c.  
**Roman destruction of Jerusalem** - 71 a.d.  
and  
**the final destruction of Judah  
at Masada** - 132 to 135 a.d.)  
modern imitative imposters continue to insist  
that they are “God's chosen”,  
entitled to rule all of mankind,  
based upon twisted scripture interpretations,  
and pretended prophetic promises.*

*(in this regard examine the very early  
prophesied destruction of Israel,  
see **Deuteronomy 28:15-68; 29:16-20;**  
**Chapter 30**, especially vss **14-19;**  
**31:15-18; and 32:1-43**, especially vss **21-29**)*

*Today modern Babylonian Talmudist  
pretenders loudly proclaim that the land  
which God drove the real children of Jacob  
off of, actually now belongs to them*

*They claim to prove this  
by means of much twisting  
of the sacred scriptures  
(see **II Peter 3:16**).*

*Further proclaiming that the 2d temple,  
the complete, permanent,  
and utter destruction about which  
Jesus prophesied on his way to Golgotha  
(see **Matthew 23:38** and **Matthew 24:2**),  
and which was destroyed  
by the covenantal God, Himself,  
must needs be rebuilt,  
as we are all forced back into submission  
under their yoke of bondage,  
if only they could have their way  
(10 lost tribe fantasy replayed !!).*

*This has spawned numerous moderns  
who pretend to be bringing about  
the end of this world,  
and the consummation of the ages,  
as they wait for some pretended “rapture”,  
(see **Matthew 24:26-27**),  
followed by a restoration of  
the Old Testament temple economy,  
complete with blasphemous animal sacrifice,  
in utter rejection of the once-for-all  
ultimate sacrifice (see **Hebrews 10:10**)  
of our loving Messiah,  
who laid down his life for his sheep.*

*They seeming to be under the influence of  
strong delusion (see **II Thessalonians 2:11**),  
"that they should believe the lie".*

*They can say “Jesus, Jesus”,  
all they want (**another Christ** ?).*

*And they can tell how "Christian" they are,  
all they want (**another gospel** ?).*

*And tell how they are “saving souls for Jesus”,  
by appeals to the flesh and worldliness,  
all they want (**another spirit** ?).*

*(see **II Corinthians 11:4**,  
and **Matthew 7:16-23**)*

*They being, quite simply, quite wrong !!*

***“Get out of her my people ---  
lest you partake of her plagues”***

*is, again, what comes to mind,  
as I continue to survey all of  
the spiritual wreckage  
and grotesque chicanery  
which I find all about me.*

*And here it can so readily be seen,  
the fleshly persons persecuting those  
who are faithful to the spiritual tenets  
of our Master, now as then, all over again.*

*There really is not,  
and never has been,  
any real line of demarcation  
between any one race of humans  
and all of their fellows.*

*There have always been  
only two different kinds of persons.*

*One,  
believing.*

*The other,  
unbelieving.*

*One faithful.*

*The other faithless.*

*One being obedient.*

*The other disobedient.*

*These are the actual dividing lines,  
far more than are such  
artificial modern constructs as  
between “Judaean” and “Gentile/goyim”.*

*While NEVER forgetting that  
we are ALL members  
of the fallen Adamic race.*

***"There is NONE righteous, no not one",  
was the exclamation of the Prophet  
(see Romans 3:10).***

*"We have all gone astray,  
like sheep, each one to his own way"  
is a further reference to this same concept  
(see **Isaiah 53:6**).*

*And,  
**"all of our righteousness is as filthy rags"**  
(see **Isaiah 64:4**), should tell us all we need to  
know about seeking immortality  
on our own terms.*

*These principles and matters did not change  
as we went from Old Covenant  
to New Covenant.*

*They remain just as valid today  
as they were on the day following Adam's fall.*

*The imputation of the perfect righteousness  
of Christ and His boundless perfect faith  
is, truly, the only way out of this mess.*

*Messiah as our substitute.*

*That is the beating heart  
of what I am here referring to  
as Messianism.*

*Once again, no different in the Old Testament  
than it is in the New Testament.*

*The only material difference between the two  
being that one is form,  
while the other is substance.*

*One is type.*

*The other fulfillment.*

*Old Testament as shadow of things to come,  
while the New Testament  
“Christ crucified and risen”  
is the actual reality, itself.*

*Not two different plans and programs,  
or dispensations,  
but, a pure heart,  
and a believing spirit,  
whether Judaeen, or Gentile.*

*Same in Old Testament  
as in New Testament.*

*The Messiah providing the continuity  
between the two.*

*Just as He is eternal,  
and is said to come from eternity,  
so are the principles upon which rest  
the foundation of our belief,  
or our unbelief.*

*Only the props and the costumes changing,  
while everything else remains the same.*

*As regards the matter of salvation,  
we are told in the Old Testament  
that we will be able to stop sinning  
when the leopard can change his spots  
or the Ethiopian can change his skin  
(see **Jeremiah 13:23**).*

*Do you really think anything has changed ?*

*Just take a good look around you.*

*Are men any different now  
than they were then ?*

*Just ask the victim of the rape,  
or the robbery, or the murder.*

*Ask the person who has been enslaved  
by his evil neighbors.*

*Just what exactly has changed  
such that wicked men,  
with their minds and hearts  
full of fornication, lying, adultery,  
theft, and murder,  
are somehow expected to walk  
in the paths of righteousness,  
in any real and meaningful way ?*



*Go turn on that one-eyed monster  
in your living room  
(the image of the beast ?  
see **Revelation 13:15**),  
or look at various internet sites,  
or go to the movies,  
and you will get  
far more of these abominations  
than you ever could have even imagined.*

*And why is this ?*

*Because the best the natural man can hope for  
is to be a whited sepulchre.*

*Beautiful to look at from the outside,  
but not such a pretty sight, or smell,  
once one pulls back the thin veneer  
of the sarcophagus lid,  
and takes a long, hard look,  
while taking a long, deep breath.*

*Ironically, nearly everyone will tell you  
how this is not so.*

*Truly amazing.*

*There it is right in front of your face and eyes,  
and on every side of you,  
and all about you,  
but you will adamantly deny it,  
nevertheless.*

*Doesn't sound like a very promising condition  
to me.*

*This is why Messiah came  
to fulfill the law to the letter,  
in order to ransom His sheep  
out of this wicked state of affairs.*

*We simply being unable to comply with even  
the simplest of Commandments.*

*Just how hard can it be anyway ?*

*Worship the one God, YHWH,  
and him, alone.*

*Don't make idols or graven images.*

*Don't use the name of our lord in vain.*

*Remember the sabbath, to keep it holy.*

*Honor your father and mother.*

*Don't murder.*

*Don't commit adultery.*

*Don't steal.*

*Don't bear false witness.*

*Don't covet.*

*How can there even be a controversy  
about such matters ?*

*Yet we can easily be defined  
as either predator or victim  
in any given situation.*

*To the predator inside of me,  
I must not kill, unless ---.*

*I must not steal, unless ---.*

*I must not rape and defile, unless ---.*

*I must not covet unless ---.*

*Amazingly this is where the religious  
"man of the cloth" comes in.*

*He will tell us when it is okay,  
and when it is not,  
and how much \$\$\$ we must give him  
as our "toll fee" (e.g. indulgences).*

*But when it is I who am the victim,  
I will see these things  
in an entirely different light.*

*There will be no "unless ---".*

*And I will be utterly disgusted  
by YOUR "religious authority",  
who has so cavalierly  
diminished the gravity and seriousness  
of YOUR crime.*

*I will abhor your pretended "man of the cloth",  
no matter how wonderful you tell me  
he and his religion are.*

*Christ/Messiah is the same yesterday,  
today, and forever.*

*No vacillating.*

*No game playing.*

*No hucksterism.*

*No, "it's okay just this one time".*

*Or, "you can do it without consequence  
to your soul because of ---".*

*Oh, what a slippery slope that is sure to  
become, and that, all too rapidly.*

*Our blessed Lord is able to look deep within  
the hearts and motivations  
of both perpetrator and victim.*

*And able to judge wisely and righteously.*

*He being the only judge worthy of the name,  
it would seem.*

*Bad didn't somehow become good.*

*And evil did not somehow become righteous,  
as we passed from prophecy to fulfillment.*

*All remains the same.*

*Except that now believers will be filled  
with the Holy Spirit of promise.*

*They will be constrained by the law  
written in their hearts.*

*They may use their conscience as their guide,  
if they will but listen to it, and obey it,  
without recourse to flawed reasoning  
used to justify whatever action  
one sees fit to take part in on any given day.*

*Mediating forces.*

*Tempering forces.*

*Remembering of what is right,  
and what is not,  
and how I should conduct myself  
in light of reality ! (see **II Peter 3:11**)*

*" --- seeing then  
that all these things shall be dissolved,  
what manner of persons ought you to be ---"*

*The Lord made a covenant  
with the sons of Jacob/Israel.*

*It was not for their own self-glorification,  
as so many seem to believe.*

*They were not "God's chosen",  
in some sense which gives them  
the right "to lord it over" their fellow man.*

*Rather,  
as the pharaoh's slaves,  
being chosen to escape the bondage of Egypt.*

*As a type of being chosen  
to escape out of this world,  
and to escape our own self-willed sinfulness,  
through the perfect life of Jesus of Nazareth,  
and sacrificial death of Christ crucified.*

*The Lord God Omnipotent  
using the confederation  
of the twelve tribes of Israel,  
the twelve sons of Jacob,  
to illustrate matters  
that would be of tremendous importance  
to the writers of the New Testament,  
those expounding upon "the good news"  
(the gospel) regarding the fulfillment  
of the ancient Messianic prophecies  
by Jesus of Nazareth.*

*The various buildings, instruments,  
rites, and rituals ALL being symbolic.*

*Symbols of Messiah and the Messianic office.*

*As an example,  
they have a temple built of stone.*

*But it is symbolic of the real temple,  
which is made WITHOUT hands  
(see **Acts 7:48, Daniel 2:45,**  
and **I Corinthians 3:16-17**).*

*They have a high priest,  
as do we, in Messiah  
(see **Hebrews 4:14-16**).*

*They have a concept of a chosen people,  
called out of Egypt (see **I Corinthians 10:2-4**).*

*This being a type or symbol  
of those believers who were called out  
of this wicked world.*

*They celebrate sacrificial shedding of blood.*

*The symbol or type of our blessed Lord  
hanging on the tree,  
as our Heavenly Father poured out His wrath  
upon him.*



*A people removed out of servitude to Egypt,  
as the symbol or type of those  
who will be purchased by the blood of Messiah,  
from their hellish overlord and master, Satan.*

*The concept of the scapegoat  
(see **Leviticus 16:8-26**)  
causing us to think about  
the concept of the imputation of sin,  
which later will give rise to  
our understanding of the concept  
of imputation of righteousness.*

*Just as the goat did nothing to merit the sin,  
so our Lord did nothing to merit the wrath.*

*As the brazen serpent  
was raised in the wilderness  
(see **Numbers 21:8-9**),  
such that those who looked upon it  
were healed from the poison of the fiery asps,  
so those looking upon Christ crucified  
will have their sins removed  
by looking upon Him,  
with the eyes of belief,  
having been opened from above  
(see **John 3:14-21**).*

*These being just a few examples.*

*The Old Testament promises  
were predicated upon obedience,  
of which there was always very little.*

*And of what little there was,  
mainly half-hearted.*

*A stubborn and rebellious people,  
more interested in  
the leeks and onions of Egypt  
than their own souls and eternal state.*

*Is it really so different now ?*

*Are we really all that different  
when put to the test ?*

*The Old Covenant being highly conditional  
(see **Deuteronomy 4:23-28**;  
and **Deuteronomy 30:17-20**),  
was broken repeatedly,  
until the people were driven from the land  
on three different occasions,  
and then finally utterly destroyed:*

**Assyrian captivity** (722 b.c.);  
**Babylonian captivity** (586 b.c.);  
and destruction of the 2d temple  
by the **Romans** (71 a.d.)  
(the temple built by Herod the Edomite);  
closely followed by the final destruction  
of the last few remaining Judaeans  
by the **Romans** (132-135 a.d.).

*After the death of Messiah,  
at the hands of these very same persons,  
they were driven from the land,  
entirely and permanently,  
as those who are simply unable  
to keep their word,  
no matter how numerous the warnings.*

*While looking forward to  
the 1st and 2d century utter destruction  
of the Hebrews and Judaeans,  
as long before prophesied  
in the book of Deuteronomy,  
Jeremiah prophesied regarding  
the replacement of  
the Old Testament temple economy  
by a new covenant.*

*And that the believer's heart of stone  
would be replaced with a heart of flesh  
(**Jeremiah 31:31**).*

*Not needing to be told what is right  
and wrong.*

*Even following that,  
things continue  
just as has always been.*

*One group obedient,  
and the other disobedient.*

*One group believing,  
while the other is disbelieving,  
(but while having learned how to feign belief,  
and brotherly love).*

*One looking to scriptural matters,  
while the other is carnal,  
and mammon worshipping  
as can be, or get.*

*Has anything really changed  
since the time of Christ ?*

*Or, wouldn't it be fair to say that  
continuity is the order of the day ?*

*Not really old and new.*

*But prophesied and fulfilled.*

*Not really Judaeen and Gentile/goyim.*

*But believing and unbelieving.*

*Faithful and unfaithful.*

*Obedient and disobedient.*

*Unreality and ultimate reality.*

*Let us be faithful !!*

*And believing.*