

YWAM Biblical Studies Inductive Bible Method NKJV

PAUL'S LETTERS

Galatians | Ephesians
Philippians | Colossians | 1-2 Thessalonians
1-2 Timothy | Titus | Philemon



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“There are times when solitude is better than society, and silence is wiser than speech. We should be better Christians if we were more alone, waiting upon God, and gathering through meditation on His Word spiritual strength for labour in his service. We ought to muse upon the things of God, because we thus get the real nutriment out of them. . . . Why is it that some Christians, although they hear many sermons, make but slow advances in the divine life? Because they neglect their closets, and do not thoughtfully meditate on God’s Word. They love the wheat, but they do not grind it; they would have the corn, but they will not go forth into the fields to gather it; the fruit hangs upon the tree, but they will not pluck it; the water flows at their feet, but they will not stoop to drink it. From such folly deliver us, O Lord. . . .”

- Charles H. Spurgeon

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\\ GOSPELS \\ HISTORY \\ LETTERS OF PAUL \\ GENERAL LETTERS \\ PROPHECY





2 APPROACHES TO BIBLE READING

DEDUCTIVE APPROACH

One comes to the text with a thesis and then seeks out passages to support that thesis.

One has already, to a certain extent, drawn conclusions before reading the whole text of Scripture in context.

One is dictating to the Scriptures, rather than letting the Scriptures speak.

INDUCTIVE APPROACH - our aim

One lays aside preconceived ideas and first lays a groundwork of observations.

Conclusions are drawn from what one has observed. A thorough examination of the content becomes the basis for one's conclusions.

One is letting the Scriptures speak for themselves.

3 STEPS OF THE INDUCTIVE APPROACH

Always PRAY
The Holy Spirit is your teacher
Think for yourself
Don't only rely on other people
Let the text speak for itself
Conclusions come from what you have observed

1. OBSERVATION

What does the text say? Look, look, look until looking becomes seeing.

Observation does not determine what the text mean.

It makes you familiar with the text before you interpret.

Read through the whole book in one setting.

If you are looking at one passage, look at the surrounding context.

OBSERVATION QUESTIONS

1. Repeated Words | Phrases | Ideas | Themes
2. Key words
3. Who - People: Main characters, people groups, etc. Pronouns.
4. When - Time elements, Verb tenses
5. Where - Geographical locations, General locations.
6. Contrasts
7. Comparisons
8. Commands - Advice, Promises, Warnings, Predictions.
9. Conditional statements
10. Connectives
11. Atmosphere, Mood, Emotion
12. Figures of speech
13. Lists
14. Illustrations
15. Emphatic statements
16. Progression - of events, thought, author's logic.



2. INTERPRETATION

- What does it mean to the original Audience?
- It is not asking what it means to us today, but what it meant for the original hearers or readers.
- It involves understanding the author's viewpoint, as well as the view point of his audience.
- Imagine yourself thousands of years back in time. Put yourself in the shoes of the Original Audience. Try and see the passage through their eyes.

HISTORICAL CONTEXT

- Who is the Original Audience?
- Why was the book written?
- What is the cultural situation?
- What is the political situation?
- What is the social and geographical situation?
- What did they think or believe?
- What is their religious background?
- What is happening in history or in their church at this time?
- Is the audience facing any problems?
- What are their strong points?

ASK:

- Ask: WHY?
- Ask: What does it mean?
- Ask: What does this imply?
- Ask: What is the significance?
- What are the author's concerns?
- What are the original audience's concerns, questions, struggles



3. APPLICATION How does the timeless truths apply?

Application is the GOAL of Bible study!

As God teaches us His Word, we want Him to work in our hearts.

The study of Scripture should result in changed lives.

James 1:22-25

22 You must be doers of the word and not only hearers who mislead themselves. 23 Those who hear but don't do the word are like those who look at their faces in a mirror. 24 They look at themselves, walk away, and immediately forget what they were like. 25 But there are those who study the perfect law, the law of freedom, and continue to do it. They don't listen and then forget, but they put it into practice in their lives.

They will be blessed in whatever they do.

Common English Bible (CEB)



APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. What are the basic timeless truths in this book or passage?
2. How do these truths apply to my life?

Be specific.

- What am I to believe?
- Do I need to change anything I have previously believed?
- Are there attitudes or actions that I need to change?
- How does this truth encourage me? In what area of my life?
- What do I see about the character of God?
- How does this aspect of God's character speak or minister to me?

More questions you can ask

- What have I learned about myself from my study?
- What have I learned about others?
- What impact does this have on my life?
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THE PROCESS: From observation to application

1st Reading

- Out loud, in one setting, read through the book - Get the BIG picture.

2nd Reading

- Observe!
- Mark what stands out for you during your reading.
Use different colors. (Names, places, events, etc.)

3rd Reading

- Find the key verse in the book, and one in each chapter.

4th Reading

- Write down your observations

5th Reading

- Write a summary of this book
- Do application of book.

OBSERVATION - OLD TESTAMENT

Old Testament - Basic Required Information (BRI)

THE PROPHETS

1. Literary Question

- a. What kind of literature is the book?

2. Critical Question

- a. Who wrote the book?
- b. When was it written?
- c. To whom was it written?
- d. From where was it written?

3. Historical Question

- a. Give any personal details about the prophet
- b. Give dates of significant historical events
 - What was the political situation
 - What was the international situation
 - Political situation in Israel or Judah & ruling kings
 - Any alliances or important battles
- c. What was the religious situation in Israel and Judah
- d. Which prophets were contemporaries

4. Survey Question

- a. Which aspects of God's character does this book emphasize?

WISDOM BOOKS

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MAIN DIVISIONS

Old Testament (39 books); New Testament (27 books).

The Old Testament has the following categories:

Law (5 books), History (12 books), Poetry and Wisdom (5 books), Major Prophets (5 books), and Minor Prophets (12 books).

Law

Genesis
Exodus
Leviticus
Numbers
Deuteronomy

Poetry & Wisdom

Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon
Major Prophets

Major Prophets

Isaiah
Jeremiah
Lamentations
Ezekiel
Daniel

History

Joshua
Judges
Ruth
1st Samuel
2nd Samuel
1st Kings
2nd Kings
1st Chronicles
2nd Chronicles
Ezra
Nehemiah
Esther

Minor Prophets

Hosea
Joel
Amos
Obadiah
Jonah
Micah
Nahum
Habakkuk
Zephaniah
Haggai
Zechariah
Malachi

OBSERVATION - NEW TESTAMENT

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3. Historical Question

New Testament - Letters and Revelation

- a. What is the historical setting of the book:
What is the culture of the audience?
What historical and cultural information is important to understand the book?
- b. When was the church founded
- c. Who makes up the church
- d. What are their strengths and weaknesses / problems?

New Testament - Gospels and Acts

- e. What was the historical setting for the readers of the book?

4. Survey Question

- a. What is the main idea of the book
(The message in one sentence)
- b. What is the major reason that the book was written?
- c. Which particular aspect of Jesus does the book portray?

Moods of Communication

- Indicative Mood a statement of fact
- Interrogative Mood asking a question
- Imperative Mood making a command
- Subjunctive Mood statement of desire

Application

- What fundamental universal truths are presented in this passage?
- State the issues in your own life/culture that this truth address.
- State the implications of the principle when applied to your life and the world around you. What change does it require? What value is reinforce? What difference does it make?
- Make a heartfelt decision to change. State this decision in a plan to accomplish the task. This is a specific course of action.

The New Testament has the following categories:

Gospels (4 books), History (1 book), Paul's Letters (13 books),
General Letters (8 books), Prophecy (1 book).

Gospels	History	Letters of Paul	General Letters	Prophecy
Matthew	Acts	Romans	Hebrews	Revelation
Mark		1st Corinthians	[perhaps by Paul]	
Luke		2nd Corinthians	James	
John		Galatians	1st Peter	
		Ephesians	2nd Peter	
		Philippians	1st John	
		Colossians	2nd John	
		1st Thess	3rd John	
		2nd Thess	Jude	
		1st Timothy		
		2nd Timothy		
		Titus		
		Philemon		



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SAMPLE

LEFT

Observe:

author
 “and” implies more
 than one

status was servant

history

1 James, a servant of God and

of the Lord Jesus Christ, To the
 twelve tribes scattered among

the nations: Greetings.

*evidence that
 God is Trinity*

*author - was educated and
 knew Jesus*

RIGHT

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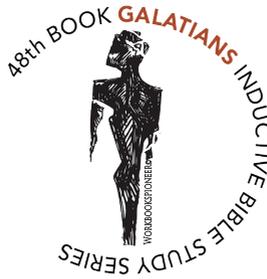
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GALATIANS



1 Paul, an apostle (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised Him from the dead),
2 and all the brethren who are with me, Unto the churches of Galatia:
3 Grace be to you and peace from God the Father and from our Lord Jesus Christ,
4 who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father,
5 to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from Him, that called you into the grace of Christ, for another gospel.
7 For this is not another;

LEFT**Observe:**

but there are some who trouble you and would pervert the Gospel of Christ.

8 But should we, or an angel from Heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached to you, let him be accursed.

9 As we said before, so say I now again: If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that which ye have received, let him be accursed!

10 For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I yet sought to please men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

11 But I certify to you, brethren, that the Gospel which was preached by me is not according to man;

12 for I neither received it from man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

13 For ye have heard of my participation in times past in the Jews' religion, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and wasted it.

14 I profited in the Jews'

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

religion beyond many
of my equals in mine
own nation, being more
exceedingly zealous of the
traditions of my fathers.
15 But when it pleased
God, who separated me
from my mother's womb
and called me by His
grace,
16 to reveal His Son in
me, that I might preach
Him among the heathen, I
conferred not immediately
with flesh and blood,
17 nor did I go up to
Jerusalem to those who
were apostles before me,
but I went into Arabia
and returned again unto
Damascus.
18 Then after three years
I went up to Jerusalem to
see Peter, and abode with
him fifteen days.
19 But I saw none of the
other apostles save James,
the Lord's brother.
20 (Now the things which
I write unto you, behold,
before God, I lie not.)
21 Afterwards I came into
the regions of Syria and
Cilicia,
22 and was unknown by
face unto the churches
of Judea which were in

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Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

Christ;
23 but they had heard only
that, "He who persecut-
ed us in times past now
preacheth the faith which
once he destroyed."
24 And they glorified God
in me.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

2 Then fourteen years later I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.

2 And I went up by revelation, and communicated unto them that Gospel which I preach among the Gentiles, but privately to those who were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

3 But neither was Titus, who was with me, being a Greek, compelled to be circumcised;

4 and that because false brethren were brought in by stealth, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage.

5 To them we gave place by submission not even for an hour, that the truth of the Gospel might continue with you.

6 But of those who seemed to be something (whosoever they were, it maketh no difference to me: God accepteth no man's person) — those who seemed to be somewhat in consultation

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

added nothing to me;
7 but contrariwise, when they saw that the Gospel to the Uncircumcision was committed unto me, as the Gospel to the Circumcision was unto Peter
8 (for He that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the Circumcision, that Same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles),
9 and when James, Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given unto me, they gave to me and Barnabas the right hands of fellowship, that we should go unto the heathen and they unto the Circumcision.
10 Only they would that we should remember the poor, the same as I also was eager to do.
11 But when Peter came to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed.
12 For before certain ones came from James, he ate with the Gentiles; but when they had come, he withdrew and separated himself from them, fearing

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

those who were of the Circumcision.

13 And the other Jews dissembled likewise with him, so much that Barnabas also was carried away by their dissimulation.

14 But when I saw that they walked not uprightly according to the truth of the Gospel, I said unto Peter before them all, "If thou, being a Jew, livest after the manner of Gentiles and not as do the Jews, why compellest thou the Gentiles to live as do the Jews?"

15 We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,

16 knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

17 But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore the minister of sin? God

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Interpret:

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forbid!

18 For if I build again the things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

19 For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God.

20 I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me. And the life which I now live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

21 I do not frustrate the grace of God; for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain."

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

1 O foolish Galatians! Who hath bewitched you, that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been clearly set forth, crucified among you?

2 This only would I learn of you: Did ye receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

3 Are ye so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?

4 Have ye suffered so many things in vain — if it be yet in vain?

5 He therefore that ministereth to you the Spirit and worketh miracles among you, doeth He it by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

6 Even as Abraham “believed God, and it was accounted to him as righteousness.”

7 Know ye therefore that those who are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.

8 And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached

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Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

beforehand the Gospel unto Abraham, saying, "In thee shall all nations be blessed."

9 So then, those who are of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.

10 For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written: "Cursed is every one who continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them."

11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God is evident, for "the just shall live by faith."

12 And the law is not of faith, but "The man who doeth them shall live in them."

13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us (for it is written, "Cursed is every one who hangeth on a tree"),

14 that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men: A cov-

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

enant, though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it is confirmed, no man annulleth or addeth thereto.

16 Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, "and to seeds," as though many; but as though one: "and to thy Seed," who is Christ.

17 And this I say, that the Covenant which was confirmed earlier by God in Christ cannot be annulled by the law, which came four hundred and thirty years after, so as to make the promise of no effect.

18 For if the inheritance be of the law, it is no more by promise; but God gave it to Abraham by promise.

19 For what then serveth the law? It was added because of transgressions until the Seed should come to whom the promise was made; and it was ordained by angels through the hand of a mediator.

20 Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one.

21 Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid! For if there had

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Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should then have come by the law.

22 But the Scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, being shut apart from the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

24 Therefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

25 But after faith has come, we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ.

28 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.

29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed and heirs according to the promise.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

4 Now I say that the heir,
as long as he is a child,
differeth in nothing from a
servant, though he be lord
of all.

2 But he is under tutors
and governors until the
time appointed by the
father.

3 Even so we, when we
were children, were in
bondage under the ele-
ments of the world.

4 But when the fullness of
the time had come, God
sent forth His Son, made
of a woman, made under
the law,

5 to redeem those who
were under the law, that
we might receive the
adoption of sons.

6 And because ye are
sons, God hath sent forth
the Spirit of His Son into
your hearts, crying, "Abba,
Father."

7 Therefore thou art no
more a servant but a son,
and if a son, then an heir
of God through Christ.

8 However that be, then
when ye knew not God,
ye did service unto those
which by nature are not
gods.

9 But now after ye have

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Interpret:

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known God, or rather are known by God, how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements unto which ye desire again to be in bondage?

10 Ye observe days and months and times and years.

11 I am afraid for you, lest I have bestowed upon you labor in vain.

12 Brethren, I beseech you, be as I am, for I am as ye are. Ye have not injured me at all.

13 Ye know how through infirmity of the flesh I preached the Gospel unto you at the first.

14 And my temptation which was in my flesh ye despised not, nor rejected, but received me as an angel of God, even as Christ Jesus.

15 Where is then the blessedness ye spoke of? For I bear you record that, if it had been possible, ye would have plucked out your own eyes and have given them to me.

16 Have I therefore become your enemy because I tell you the truth?

17 They zealously seek

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

after you, but for no good; yea, they would exclude you, that ye might seek after them.

18 But it is good to be zealously sought after, always in a good thing, and not only when I am present with you.

19 My little children, over whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you,

20 I desire to be present with you now and to change my tone; for I stand in doubt of you.

21 Tell me, ye who desire to be under the law, do ye not hear the law?

22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons, the one by a bondmaid, the other by a freewoman.

23 But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, but he of the freewoman was by promise.

24 These things are an allegory, for these are the two covenants: The one is from Mount Sinai, which engendereth bondage; this is Hagar.

25 For this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia and an-

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Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

swereth to Jerusalem as it is now, and is in bondage with her children.

26 But the Jerusalem which is above is free, and is the mother of us all.

27 For it is written: "Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not; for the desolate hath many more children than she who hath a husband."

28 Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are the children of promise.

29 But as then, he that was born according to the flesh persecuted him that was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now.

30 Nevertheless what saith the Scripture? "Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman."

31 So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman, but of the free.

RIGHT
Interpret:

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Observe:

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

2 Behold, I, Paul, say unto
you that if ye be circum-
cised, Christ shall profit
you nothing.

3 For I testify again to
every man who is circum-
cised, that he is a debtor
to keep the whole law.

4 Christ then becomes
of no effect unto you,
whosoever of you claim
justification by the law; ye
are fallen from grace.

5 For we, through the
Spirit, wait for the hope of
righteousness by faith.

6 For in Jesus Christ nei-
ther circumcision availeth
anything, nor uncircum-
cision, but faith which
worketh by love.

7 Ye were running well;
who hindered you, that ye
should not obey the truth?

8 This persuasion cometh
not from Him that calleth
you.

9 A little leaven leaveneth
the whole lump.

10 I have confidence in
you through the Lord

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

that ye will be not otherwise minded; but he that troubleth you shall bear his judgment, whosoever he be.

11 And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why then do I yet suffer persecution? Then would the offense of the cross cease.

12 I would that they were even cut off which trouble you!

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

14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself."

15 But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye not be consumed one by another.

16 This I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

17 For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary the one to the other, so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.

18 But if ye are led by the

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Spirit, ye are not under the law.

19 Now the works of the flesh are manifest, and they are these: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,

20 idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, quarreling, rivalry, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies,

21 envying, murders, drunkenness, revelings, and such like. About these things I tell you again, as I have also told you in times past, that those who do such things shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,

23 meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

24 And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its affections and lusts.

25 If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.

26 Let us not be desirous of vainglory, provoking one another and envying one another.

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6 Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye who are spiritual restore such a one in the spirit of meekness, considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

2 Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

3 For if a man think himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceiveth himself.

4 But let every man put to the proof his own work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.

5 For every man shall bear his own burden.

6 Let him that is taught in the Word share with him that teacheth, in all good things.

7 Be not deceived, God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

9 And let us not be weary in welldoing, for in due

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10 As we therefore have opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto those who are of the household of faith.

11 Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.

12 As many as desire to make a fair showing in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised, only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.

13 For not even they themselves who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised, that they may glory in your flesh.

14 But God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

15 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

16 And as many as walk according to this rule, peace be on them and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

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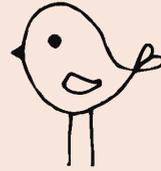
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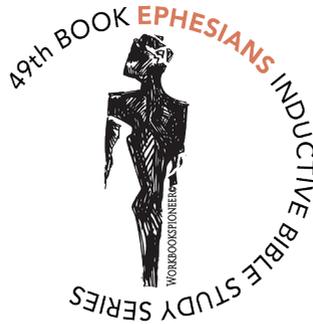
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3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ, even as

4 He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love,

5 having predestined us to be His own adopted children by Jesus Christ, according to the good

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6 to the praise of the glory
of His grace, wherein He
hath made us accepted in
His Beloved:
7 in Whom we have
redemption through His
blood, the forgiveness
of sins, according to the
riches of His grace,
8 wherein He hath
abounded toward us in all
wisdom and prudence.
9 He hath made known
unto us the mystery of His
will, according to His good
pleasure which He hath
purposed in Himself,
10 that in the dispensation
of the fullness 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.
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obtained an inheritance,
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ing to the purpose of Him
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own will,
12 that we, who first trust-
ed in Christ, should be to
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after ye heard the word of

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truth, the Gospel of your salvation, in Whom also after ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,
14 which is the pledge of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of His glory.
15 Therefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints,
16 cease not to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers.
17 I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him,
18 the eyes of your understanding being enlightened, that ye may know what is the hope of His calling, and what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,
19 and what is the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power,
20 which He wrought in

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Christ when He raised Him from the dead and set Him at His own right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all principality and power and might and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come.

22 And God hath put all things under His feet, and hath given Him to be the head over all things to the church,

23 which is His body, the fullness of Him that filleth all in all.

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1 And you hath He quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins,
2 wherein in times past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience.
3 Among these also we all had our manner of living in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.
4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love wherewith He loved us,
5 even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ (by grace ye are saved),
6 and hath raised us up together and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus,
7 that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us through Christ Jesus.

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8 For by grace are ye saved through faith, and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God—

9 not by works, lest any man should boast.

10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath beforehand ordained, that we should walk in them.

11 Therefore, remember that ye, being in times past Gentiles in the flesh, who are called Uncircumcision by those who are called the Circumcision in the flesh so made by hands—

12 remember 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.

13 But now in Christ Jesus, ye who once were far off have been brought nigh by the blood of Christ.

14 For He is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us,

15 having abolished in His

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flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances, that He might make in Himself one new man out of the two, so making peace,

16 and that He might reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby.

17 He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were nigh;

18 for through Him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

19 Now therefore, ye are strangers and foreigners no more, but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God.

20 Ye are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,

21 in whom all the building, fitly framed together, groweth unto a holy temple in the Lord,

22 in Whom ye also are built together for a habitation of God through the Spirit.

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1 For this cause I, Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles—

2 if ye have heard of the dispensation of the grace of God which is given me toward you,

3 how by revelation He made known unto me the mystery (as I wrote before in a few words,

4 whereby when ye read this, ye may understand my knowledge of the mystery of Christ),

5 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:

6 that the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and partakers of His promise in Christ by the Gospel,

7 for which I was made a minister according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of His power.

8 Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable

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riches of Christ,
9 and to make all men see
what is the fellowship of
the mystery, which from
the beginning of the world
hath been hid in God, who
created all things by Jesus
Christ,
10 with the intent that now
unto the principalities and
powers in heavenly places
might be known through
the church the manifold
wisdom of God,
11 according to the eternal
purpose which He hath
purposed in Christ Jesus
our Lord,
12 in whom we have
boldness and access with
confidence by the faith of
Him.
13 Therefore, I desire that
ye faint not at my tribu-
lations for you, which are
your glory.
14 For this cause I bow my
knees unto the Father of
our Lord Jesus Christ,
15 from whom the whole
family in Heaven and earth
is named,
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riches of His glory, to be
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in your hearts by faith;
that ye, being rooted and
grounded in love,
18 may be able to compre-
hend with all saints what
is the breadth and length
and depth and height,
19 and to know the love
of Christ, which surpass-
eth knowledge, that ye
might be filled with all the
fullness of God.
20 Now unto Him that
is able to do exceeding
abundantly above all that
we ask or think, according
to the power that worketh
in us,
21 unto Him be glory in
the church by Christ Jesus
throughout all ages, world
without end. Amen.

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1 I therefore, the prisoner
in the Lord, beseech you
that ye walk worthy of the
vocation wherewith ye are
called,
2 with all lowliness and
meekness, with longsuf-
fering, forbearing one
another in love,
3 endeavoring to keep the
unity of the Spirit in the
bond of peace.
4 There is one body and
one Spirit, even as ye are
called in one hope of your
calling;
5 one Lord, one faith, one
baptism,
6 one God and Father of
all, who is above all, and
through all, and in you all.
7 But unto every one of us
is given grace according to
the measure of the gift of
Christ.
8 Therefore He saith,
“When He ascended up
on high, He led captivity
captive, and gave gifts
unto men.”
9 (Now the saying, “He
ascended” — what does
it mean but that He also
descended first into the
lower parts of the earth?
10 He that descended
is the same who also

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ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things.)

11 And He gave some to be apostles, and some prophets, and some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers,

12 for the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, and for the edifying of the body of Christ,

13 until we all come into the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

14 that we henceforth be no longer children, tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine by the sleight of men and their cunning and craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive;

15 but speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, even Christ,

16 from whom the whole body, fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint sup-
plieth, according to the effectual working in the

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17 This I say, therefore,
and testify in the Lord, that
ye henceforth walk not as
other Gentiles walk, in the
vanity of their mind,

18 having the understand-
ing darkened, being alien-
ated from the life of God
through the ignorance that
is in them because of the
blindness of their heart,
19 who, being past feeling,
have given themselves
over unto lasciviousness to
work all uncleanness with
greediness.

20 But ye have not so
learned Christ,

21 if so it be that ye have
heard Him and have been
taught by Him as the truth
is in Jesus:

22 that ye put off, concern-
ing your former manner of
living, the old man which
is corrupt according to the
deceitful lusts,

23 and be renewed in the
spirit of your mind,

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

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25 Therefore, putting away lying, let every man speak truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another.

26 Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down on your wrath,

27 neither give place to the devil.

28 Let him that stole steal no more, but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.

29 Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to use in edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.

30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice;

32 and be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

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1 Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children;
2 and walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given Himself for us as an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweetsmelling savor.
3 But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let them not once be named among you, as becometh saints;
4 neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not befitting, but rather giving of thanks.
5 For this ye know: that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the Kingdom of Christ and of God.
6 Let no man deceive you with vain words, for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.
7 Be ye not therefore partakers with them.
8 For ye were sometimes darkness, but now ye are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light
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10 proving what is acceptable unto the Lord.
11 And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them,
12 for it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret.
13 But all things that are reprov'd are made manifest by the light, for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.
14 Therefore He saith: "Awake, thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light."
15 See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise,
16 redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
17 Therefore, be ye not unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is.
18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit,
19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord,

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20 giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
21 submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God.
22 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord;
23 for the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church, and He is the savior of the body.
24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.
25 Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for it,
26 that He might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the Word,
27 that He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish.
28 So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He hat loveth his

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29 For no man ever yet hated his own flesh, but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the church.

30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh, and of His bones.

31 "For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh."

32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church.

33 Nevertheless, let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself, and the wife see that she reverence her husband.

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1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

2 "Honor thy father and mother," which is the first commandment with promise:

3 "that it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth."

4 And ye fathers, provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

5 Servants, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ,

6 not with eyeservice as menpleasers, but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart,

7 with good will doing service, as to the Lord and not to men,

8 knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive from the Lord, whether he be bond or free.

9 And ye masters, do the same things unto them,

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forbearing threatening, knowing that your Master also is in Heaven; neither is there respect of persons with Him.

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

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

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

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

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

15 and your feet shod with the preparation of the Gospel of peace.

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all the fiery darts of the wicked.

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

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

19 And pray for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly to make known the mystery of the Gospel,

20 for which I am an ambassador in bonds, that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

21 But that ye also may know my affairs and how I do, Tychicus, a beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things.

22 I have sent him unto you for the same purpose, that ye might know our affairs, and that he might comfort your hearts.

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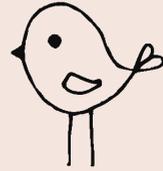
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4 always in my every prayer for you all making request with joy,

5 for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first day until now,

6 being confident of this very thing, that He who hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the Day of Jesus Christ.

7 It is meet for me to think this of you all, because

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I have you in my heart,
inasmuch as, both in my
bonds and in the defense
and confirmation of the
Gospel, ye are all partak-
ers of my grace.

8 For God is my record
how greatly I long for you
all in the compassion of
Jesus Christ.

9 And this I pray, that your
love may abound yet more
and more in knowledge
and in all judgment,

10 that ye may approve
things that are excellent,
and that ye may be sincere
and without offense until
the Day of Christ,

11 being filled with the
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understand, brethren,
that the things which have
happened unto me have
turned out unto the fur-
therance of the Gospel,

13 so that my bonds in
Christ are manifest in all
the palace and in all other
places;

14 and many of the breth-
ren in the Lord, waxing
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are much bolder to speak
the Word without fear.

15 Some indeed preach
Christ even out of envy
and strife, and some also
out of good will.

16 The one preaches
Christ out of contention
and not sincerely, suppos-
ing to add affliction to my
bonds;

17 but the other out of
love, knowing that I am
set for the defense of the
Gospel.

18 What then? Notwith-
standing, every way,
whether in pretense or in
truth, Christ is preached;
and I therein do rejoice,
yea, and will rejoice.

19 For I know that this shall
turn out to my salvation
through your prayer and
the support of the Spirit of
Jesus Christ,

20 according to my ear-
nest expectation and my
hope that in nothing shall
I be ashamed, but that
with all boldness, as always
so now also, Christ shall
be magnified in my body,
whether it be by life or by
death.

21 For to me to live is
Christ, and to die is gain.

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

22 But if I live in the flesh,
this is the fruit of my labor;
yet what I shall choose, I
know not.

23 For I am in a strait
between the two, having
a desire to depart and to
be with Christ, which is far
better;

24 nevertheless to abide in
the flesh is more needful
for you.

25 And having this confi-
dence, I know that I shall
abide and continue with
you all for your furtherance
and joy in faith,

26 that your rejoicing for
me may be more abun-
dant in Jesus Christ by my
coming to you again.

27 Only let your manner
of living be as becometh
the Gospel of Christ, that
whether I come and see
you or else am absent, I
may hear of your affairs
that ye stand fast in one
spirit, with one mind, striv-
ing together for the faith
of the Gospel,

28 and terrified in nothing
by your adversaries, which
is to them an evident
token of perdition, but to
you of salvation, and that
from God.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

29 For unto you it is given
on behalf of Christ, not
only to believe in Him, but
also to suffer for His sake,
30 having the same con-
flict which ye saw in me,
and now hear to be in me.

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

1 If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any tenderness and mercies,
2 fulfill ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord and of one mind.
3 Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem the other better than himself.
4 Look not every man to his own things, but every man also to the things of others.
5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus,
6 who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God,
7 but made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men.
8 And being found in the fashion of a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death—even the death of the cross.
9 Therefore God also hath

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highly exalted Him, and given Him a name which is above every name, 10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in Heaven and things on earth and things under the earth, 11 and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. 12 Therefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. 13 For it is God who worketh in you, both to will and to do of His good pleasure. 14 Do all things without murmuring and disputing, 15 that ye may be blameless and unoffending, the sons of God, without rebuke in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world, 16 holding forth the Word of Life, that I may rejoice in the Day of Christ that I have not run in vain, neither labored in vain.

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17 Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I am joyful and rejoice with you all.

18 For the same cause also be ye joyful, and rejoice with me.

19 But I trust in the Lord Jesus to send Timothy shortly unto you, that I also may be comforted when I know of your state;

20 for I have no man like-minded, who will naturally care for your state.

21 For all seek their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's.

22 But ye know the proof of him, how as a son with a father he hath served with me in the Gospel.

23 Him therefore I hope to send presently, as soon as I shall see how it will go with me.

24 But I trust in the Lord that I also myself shall come shortly.

25 Yet I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother and companion in labor and fellow soldier, but your messenger and he that ministered to my wants.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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26 For he longed after you all and was full of heaviness, because ye had heard that he had been sick.

27 For indeed he was sick nigh unto death, but God had mercy on him, and not on him only, but on me also, lest I should have sorrow upon sorrow.

28 I sent him therefore the more carefully, that when ye see him again ye may rejoice, and I may be the less sorrowful.

29 Receive him therefore in the Lord with all gladness, and hold such in high honor,

30 because for the work of Christ he was nigh unto death, not having regard for his own life, to supply what was lacking in your service toward me.

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LEFT**Observe:**

1 Finally, my brethren, rejoice in the Lord. To write the same things to you indeed is not grievous to me, but it is a safeguard for you.

2 Beware of dogs, beware of evil workers, beware of the Concision.

3 For we are the Circumcision who worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh—

4 though I might also have confidence in the flesh.

If any other man thinketh that he hath grounds to trust in the flesh, I have more:

5 circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of the Hebrews; according to the law, a Pharisee;

6 concerning zeal, persecuting the church; as to the righteousness before the law, blameless.

7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted as loss for Christ.

8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus

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my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things and count them but dung, that I may win Christ 9 and be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith, 10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death, 11 that if by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. 12 It is not as though I had already attained it, nor were already perfect; but I follow after, that I may apprehend that for which Christ Jesus also apprehended me. 13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended it, but this one thing I do: forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ

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15 Let us therefore, as many as would be perfect, be thus minded; and if in anything ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.

16 Nevertheless, however much we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing.

17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark those who so walk, as ye have us for an example.

18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often and now tell you even with weeping, as the enemies of the cross of Christ. 19 Their end is destruction, their God is their belly, and their glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)

20 For our abiding is in Heaven, from whence also we look for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,

21 who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto His glorious body, according to the working whereby He is able even to subdue all things unto Himself.

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4 Therefore, my dearly beloved and longedfor brethren, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved.
2 I beseech Euodias and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord.
3 And I entreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women who labored with me in the Gospel, with Clement also and with my other fellow laborers, whose names are in the Book of Life.
4 Rejoice in the Lord always; and again I say, "Rejoice!"
5 Let your moderation be known to all men. The Lord is at hand.
6 Fret not about anything, but in everything, by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God.
7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.
8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are hon-

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est, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue and if there be any praise, think on these things.

9 Those things which ye have both learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace shall be with you.

10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly that now at last your care for me hath flourished again; though ye always cared, ye lacked opportunity.

11 Not that I speak in respect to want, for I have learned in whatsoever state I am, therewith to be content.

12 I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound. Everywhere and in all things I am instructed both to be full and to be hungry, both to abound and to suffer need.

13 I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me.

14 Notwithstanding, ye have done well that ye participated in my affliction.

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Observe:

15 Now ye Philippians know also that in the beginning of the Gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.

16 For even in Thessalonica, ye sent time and again unto my needs.

17 Not that I desire a gift, but I desire the fruit that may abound to your account.

18 But I have all, and abound; I am full, having received from Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, a sweet fragrance, a sacrifice acceptable, well-pleasing to God.

19 But my God shall supply all your need, according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

20 Now unto God and our Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

21 Salute every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who are with me greet you.

22 All the saints salute you, chiefly those who are of Caesar's household.

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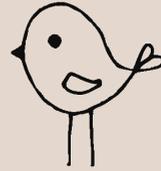
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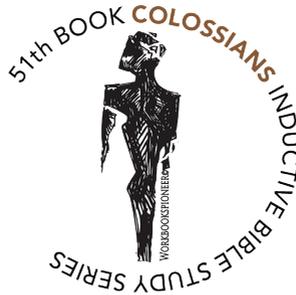
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1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,
2 To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ, who are at Colossae: Grace be unto you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
3 We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,
4 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love which ye have for all the saints, 5 for the hope which is laid up for you in Heaven, of which ye heard before in the word of the truth of the Gospel,
6 which has come unto you, as it has in all the world, and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you

LEFT**Observe:**

since the day ye heard of it and knew the grace of God in truth. 7 Ye also learned of it from Ephras, our dear fellow servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ, 8 who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit. 9 For this cause we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you and to desire that ye might be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; 10 that ye might walk worthy of the Lord, in all pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; 11 strengthened with all might according to His glorious power, unto all patience and longsuffering with joyfulness; 12 giving thanks unto the Father, who hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light. 13 He hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the Kingdom of His dear

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Son, 14 in whom we have redemption through His blood, even the forgiveness of sins.

15 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature.

16 For by Him were all things created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones or dominions or principalities or powers: all things were created by Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist.

18 And He is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He might have the preeminence.

19 For it pleased the Father that in Him should all fullness dwell, 20 and having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself — by Him, I say, whether they be things on earth or things in heaven.

21 And you, who were once alienated and enemies in your mind by

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

wicked works, even now
hath He reconciled
22 in the body of His flesh
through death, to present
you holy and unblamable
and unreprouable in His
sight,
23 if ye continue grounded
and settled in the faith,
and be not moved away
from the hope of the Gos-
pel, which ye have heard
and which was preached
to every creature under
heaven, of which I, Paul,
am made a minister.
24 I now rejoice in my suf-
ferings for you, and fill up
that which is lacking of the
afflictions of Christ in my
flesh, for His body's sake,
which is the church,
25 of which I am made
a minister according to
the dispensation of God,
which is given to me for
you, to fulfill the Word of
God—
26 even the mystery which
hath been hid from ages
and from generations, but
now is made manifest to
His saints.
27 To them God would
make known what are the
riches of the glory of this
mystery among the Gen-

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

tiles, which is Christ in you,
the hope of glory.

28 Him we preach, warning
every man and teaching
every man in all wisdom,
that we may present every
man perfect in Christ

Jesus,

29 for which I also labor,
striving according to His
working, which worketh in
me mightily.

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1 For I would that ye knew how great is my conflict for you and for those at Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh,
2 that their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love unto all the riches of the full assurance of understanding, that they may acknowledge the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ, 3 in whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
4 And this I say, lest any man should beguile you with enticing words;
5 for though I am absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, rejoicing and beholding your order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ. 6 As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in Him, 7 rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.
8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, following the tradition

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

of men according to the rudiments of the world, and not in accordance with Christ.

9 For in Him dwelleth all the fullness of the God-head bodily.

10 And ye are complete in Him, who is the head of all principality and power,

11 and in whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ.

12 Ye are buried with Him in baptism, wherein ye also are risen with Him through the faith wrought by the operation of God, who hath raised Him from the dead.

13 And you, being dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath He quickened together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses, 14 blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us. He took it out of the way, nailing it to His cross;

15 and having despoiled

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principalities and powers,
He made a show of them
openly, triumphing over
them in it.

16 Let no man therefore
judge you in meat or drink,
or in respect to a holy day
or the new moon or the
Sabbath days,

17 which are a shadow of
things to come, but the
body is of Christ.

18 Let no man beguile you
of your reward by feigned
humility and worshiping
of angels, intruding into
those things which he hath
not seen, being vainly
puffed up by his fleshly
mind,

19 and not holding to
the Head, from whom all
the body, having nourish-
ment ministered and knit
together by joints and
bands, increaseth with the
increase from God.

20 Therefore if ye be
dead with Christ from the
rudiments of the world,
why, as though living in the
world, are ye subject to its
ordinances

21 ("Touch not, taste not,
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1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth at the right hand of God. 2 Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. 4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with Him in glory. 5 Mortify therefore your members which are upon the earth: fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness which is idolatry. 6 Because of these, the wrath of God cometh on the children of disobedience, 7 in which ye also once walked, when ye lived in them. 8 But now ye also put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. 9 Do not lie one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds, 10 and have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him

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that created him,
11 where there is neither
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sion nor uncircumcision,
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holy and beloved, as the
elect of God, put on hearts
of mercies, kindness, hum-
bleness of mind, meek-
ness, longsuffering,
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and forgiving one another
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fectness.
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God rule in your hearts,
to which also ye are called
in one body, and be ye
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dwell in you richly in all
wisdom, teaching and
admonishing one another
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Lord.
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in word or deed, do all in
the name of the Lord Je-

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17 sus, giving thanks to God the Father by Him.

18 Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.

19 Husbands, love your wives and be not bitter against them.

20 Children, obey your parents in all things, for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.

21 Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged.

22 Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eyeservice as men-pleasers, but in singleness of heart, fearing God.

23 And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not unto men,
24 knowing that from the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance, for ye serve the Lord Christ.

25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done, and there is no respect of persons.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

4 Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equitable, knowing that ye also have a Master in Heaven.

2 Continue in prayer and watch therein with thanksgiving,

3 besides praying also for us that God would open unto us a door of utterance to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am also in bonds,

4 that I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

5 Walk in wisdom toward those who are outsiders, redeeming the time.

6 Let your speech be always with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.

7 Tychicus, who is a beloved brother and a faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord, shall declare unto you all my circumstances.

8 I have sent him unto you for the same purpose, that he might know your state and comfort your hearts,

9 and with him Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you.

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They shall make known unto you all things which are done here.

10 Aristarchus my fellow prisoner saluteth you, and also Mark, Barnabas' sister's son (concerning whom ye received instructions that if he come unto you, receive him),

11 and Jesus who is called Justus, who are of the Circumcision. These only are my fellow workers for the Kingdom of God, who have been a comfort unto me.

12 Epaphras, a servant of Christ who is one of you, saluteth you, always laboring fervently for you in prayers, that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.

13 For I bear him record that he hath a great zeal for you and for those who are in Laodicea and those in Hierapolis.

14 Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas greet you.

15 Salute the brethren who are in Laodicea, and Nymphas and the church which is in his house.

16 And when this epistle

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is read among you, cause that it be read also in the church of the Laodiceans, and likewise read the epistle from Laodicea.

17 And say to Archippus, "Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfill it."

18 The salutation by the hand of me, Paul. Remember my bonds. Grace be with you. Amen.

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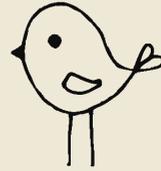
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3 remembering without ceasing your work of faith, and labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father,

4 knowing, brethren beloved, of your election by God.

5 For our Gospel came unto you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Ghost and in

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much assurance, as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.

6 And ye became followers of us and of the Lord, having received the Word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Ghost,

7 so that ye were examples to all who believe in Macedonia and Achaia.

8 For from you sounded forth the Word of the Lord, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place your faith to Godward is spread abroad, so that we need not speak anything.

9 For they themselves show of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God,

10 and to wait for His Son from Heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus, who delivered us from the wrath to come.

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2 For you yourselves, brethren, know that our coming among you was not in vain.

2 But even after we had suffered before and were shamefully treated at Philippi, as ye know, we were bold in our God to speak unto you the Gospel of God amidst much contention.

3 For our exhortation was not from deceit, nor from uncleanness, nor from guile;

4 but as we were allowed by God to be entrusted with the Gospel, even so we speak not as pleasing men, but God, who trieth our hearts.

5 For neither at any time used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloak of covetousness (God is our witness),

6 nor sought we glory from men, neither from you nor yet from others, when we might have been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ.

7 But we were gentle among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children.

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

8 So being affectionately desirous for you, we were willing to have imparted unto you not the Gospel of God only, but also our own souls, because ye were dear unto us.

9 For ye remember, brethren, our labor and travail; for laboring night and day, because we would not be a burden unto any of you, we preached unto you the Gospel of God.

10 Ye are witnesses, and God also, how holily and justly and blamelessly we behaved ourselves among you that believe.

11 Ye know how we exhorted and comforted and charged every one of you, as a father doth his children,

12 that ye would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto His Kingdom and glory.

14 For ye, brethren, became followers of the churches of God in Judea which are in Christ Jesus; for ye also have suffered like things from your own countrymen, even as they have from the Jews,

15 who both killed the

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

Lord Jesus and their own prophets, and have persecuted us. They please not God and are contrary to all men,
16 forbidding us to speak to the Gentiles, that they might be saved, thus heaping up their sins always. But the wrath has come upon them to the uttermost!
17 But we, brethren, being taken away from you for a short time (in presence, but not in heart), endeavored the more abundantly and with great desire to see your face.
18 Therefore we would have come unto you — even I, Paul, time and again — but Satan hindered us.
19 For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming?
20 For ye are our glory and joy.

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

1 Therefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left in Athens alone,
2 and sent Timothy, our brother and minister of God and our fellow laborer in the Gospel of Christ, to establish you and to comfort you concerning your faith,
3 that no man should be moved by these afflictions; for you yourselves know that thereunto we are appointed.
4 For verily, when we were with you, we told you beforehand that we should suffer tribulation, even as it came to pass, as ye know.
5 For this cause, when I could no longer forbear it, I sent to know your faith, lest by some means the tempter might have tempted you, and our labor be in vain.
6 But now when Timothy came from you unto us, and brought us good tidings of your faith and charity, and that ye have a good remembrance of us always and desire greatly to see us (as we also desire to see you),

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

7 therefore brethren, we were comforted concerning you in all our affliction and distress by your faith;
8 for now we live, if ye stand fast in the Lord.
9 For what thanks can we render to God again for you for all the joy wherewith we rejoice for your sakes before our God,
10 as we pray earnestly night and day that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?
11 Now may God Himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ direct our way unto you.
12 And may the Lord make you to increase and abound in love one toward another and toward all men, even as we do toward you,
13 to the end that He may establish your hearts unblamable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints.
4 Furthermore then, we

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

beseech you, brethren,
and exhort you by the
Lord Jesus, that as ye
have received from us how
ye ought to walk and to
please God, so ye would
abound more and more.
2 For ye know what com-
mandments we gave you
by the Lord Jesus.
3 For this is the will of
God, even your sanctifica-
tion, that ye should abstain
from fornication:
4 that every one of you
should know how to pos-
sess his vessel in sanctifica-
tion and honor,
5 not in the lust of concu-
piscence, even as the Gen-
tiles who know not God;
6 that no man go beyond
and defraud his brother in
any matter, because the
Lord is the avenger of all
such, as we also have fore-
warned you and testified.
7 For God hath not called
us unto uncleanness, but
unto holiness.
8 He therefore that de-
spiseth this, despiseth not
man but God, who hath
also given unto us His holy
Spirit.
9 But concerning brotherly
love, ye have no need that

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

I write unto you, for ye yourselves are taught by God to love one another; 10 and indeed ye do it toward all the brethren who are in all Macedonia. But we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more, 11 and that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you, 12 that ye may walk honestly toward those who are outsiders, and that ye may have need of nothing. 13 But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others who have no hope. 14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so will God bring with Him those also who sleep in Jesus. 15 For this we say unto you by the Word of the Lord: that we who are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord, shall not precede those who are asleep. 16 For the Lord Himself shall descend from Heaven

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

with a shout, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God; and the dead in Christ shall rise first;

17 then we who 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.

18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

5 But as to the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

2 For you yourselves know

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

perfectly that the Day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

3 For when they are saying, "Peace and safety," then sudden destruction cometh upon them as travail upon a woman with child, and they shall not escape.

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that Day should overtake you as a thief.

5 Ye are all the children of light and the children of the day; we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

6 Therefore let us not sleep, as do others, but let us watch and be sober.

7 For those who sleep, sleep in the night; and those who are drunken are drunken in the night.

8 But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet, the hope of salvation.

9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ

10 who died for us, that, whether we wake or sleep, we should live together

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

with Him.

11 Therefore comfort yourselves together and edify one another, even as also ye do.

12 And we beseech you, brethren, that you come to know those who labor among you, and are over you in the Lord and admonish you,

13 and to esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.

14 Now we exhort you, brethren, warn those who are unruly, comfort the feebleminded, support the weak, be patient toward all men.

15 See that none render evil for evil unto any man, but ever follow that which is good, both among yourselves and with all men.

16 Rejoice evermore.

17 Pray without ceasing.

18 In every thing give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

19 Quench not the Spirit.

20 Despise not prophesyings.

21 Test all things; hold fast to that which is good.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

22 Abstain from all appearance of evil.

23 And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

24 Faithful is He that calleth you; He also will do it.

25 Brethren, pray for us.

26 Greet all the brethren with a holy kiss.

27 I charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.

28 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
Amen.

RIGHT
Interpret:

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2THESS



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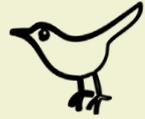
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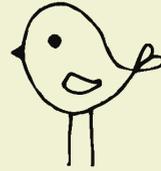
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2THESS



1 Paul, and Silvanus, and Timothy, Unto the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

2 Grace unto you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth,

4 so that we ourselves glory in you in the churches of God for your patience and faith in all persecutions and tribulations that ye endure,

5 which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment of God, that ye may be counted worthy of the

LEFT**Observe:**

Kingdom of God, for which
ye also suffer.

6 For it is a righteous thing
with God to recompense
with tribulation those who
trouble you;

7 and to you who are trou-
bled, rest with us, when
the Lord Jesus shall be
revealed from Heaven with
His mighty angels,

8 in flaming fire taking
vengeance on those who
know not God, and who
obey not the Gospel of
our Lord Jesus Christ.

9 These shall be punished
with everlasting destruc-
tion from the presence
of the Lord and from the
glory of His power,

10 when He shall come
on that Day to be glori-
fied in His saints and to
be admired in all those
who believe, because our
testimony among you was
believed.

11 Therefore also we pray
always for you, that our
God would count you
worthy of this calling, and
fulfill all the good pleasure
of His goodness and the
work of faith with power,

12 that the name of our
Lord Jesus Christ may be

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

glorified in you, and ye
in Him, according to the
grace of our God and the
Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Now we beseech you,

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and by our gathering together unto Him,

2 that ye be not soon shaken in mind or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as if from us that the Day of Christ is at hand.

3 Let no man deceive you by any means, for that Day shall not come, unless there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition,

4 who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sitteth as God in the temple of God, showing himself to be God.

5 Remember ye not that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?

6 And now ye know what withholdeth, that he might be revealed in his time.

7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now holdeth back will hold him back, until he is taken out of the way.

8 And then shall that wicked one be revealed,

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming—

9 even him, whose coming is according to the working of Satan, with all power and signs and lying wonders,

10 and with all the deceit of unrighteousness in those who perish, because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie,

12 that they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

13 But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren, beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you for salvation, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth,

14 whereunto He called you by our Gospel, for the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

15 Therefore, brethren,
stand fast and hold to the
traditions which ye have
been taught, whether by
word or our epistle.

16 Now may our Lord
Jesus Christ Himself, and
God even our Father, who
hath loved us and hath
given us everlasting con-
solation and good hope
through grace,

17 comfort your hearts
and establish you in every
good word and work.

3 Finally, brethren, pray for

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

us, that the Word of the Lord may have free course and be glorified, even as it is with you,

2 and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all men have faith.

3 But the Lord is faithful, who shall establish you and keep you from evil.

4 And we have confidence in the Lord concerning you, that ye both do, and will do, the things which we command you.

5 And may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God, and into the patient waiting for Christ.

6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother who walketh disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us.

7 For you yourselves know how ye ought to follow us, for we did not behave disorderly among you;

8 neither did we eat any man's bread for naught, but wrought with labor and travail night and day, that we might not be

RIGHT
Interpret:

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chargeable to any of you,
9 not because we have
not power, but to make
ourselves an example unto
you to follow us.

10 For even when we were
with you, this we com-
manded you: that if any
would not work, neither
should he eat.

11 For we hear that there
are some among you who
walk disorderly, working
not at all, but are busy-
bodies.

12 Now those who are
such, we command and
exhort by our Lord Jesus
Christ that they work with
quietness and eat their
own bread.

13 But ye, brethren, be not
weary in well-doing.

14 And if any man obey
not our word in this
epistle, note that man
and have no company
with him, that he may be
ashamed.

15 Yet count him not as an
enemy, but admonish him
as a brother.

16 Now the Lord of peace
Himself give you peace
always by all means. The
Lord be with you all.

17 This salutation of Paul

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

is with mine own hand,
which is the token in every
epistle: so I write.

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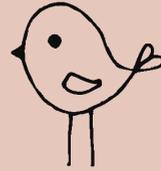
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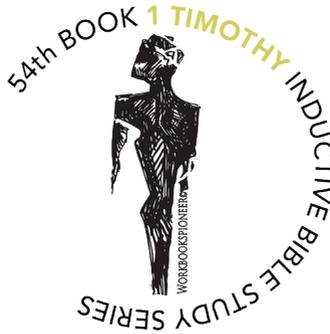
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Savior, and Lord Jesus
Christ, who is our hope,
2 Unto Timothy, my own
son in the faith: Grace,
mercy, and peace from
God our Father and Jesus
Christ our Lord.

3 As I besought thee when
I went into Macedonia
to abide still at Ephesus,
that thou mightest charge
some that they teach no
other doctrine,

4 neither give heed to
fables and endless gene-
alogies, which promote
questions rather than
godly edifying in the faith,
so do!

5 Now the aim of the com-
mandment is charity out of
a pure heart, with a good

LEFT**Observe:**

conscience and with faith
unfeigned,

6 from which some have
swerved and have turned
aside unto vain jangling,

7 desiring to be teachers
of the law, understanding
neither what they say nor
whereof they affirm.

8 But we know that the
law is good if a man use it
lawfully,

9 knowing this: that the
law is not made for a
righteous man, but for the
lawless and disobedient,
for the ungodly and for
sinners, for the unholy and
profane, for murderers of
fathers and murderers of
mothers, for manslayers,
10 for whoremongers, for
those who defile them-
selves with mankind, for
menstealers, for liars, for
perjurers, and for whatever
else is contrary to sound
doctrine

11 according to the glori-
ous Gospel of the blessed
God, which was commit-
ted to my trust.

12 And I thank Christ
Jesus our Lord, who
hath enabled me, that He
counted me faithful, put-
ting me into the ministry—

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

13 I, who was once a blasphemer and a persecutor and injurious. But I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly in unbelief;

14 and the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant with faith and love, which are in Christ Jesus.

15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.

16 Nonetheless, for this cause I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show forth all longsuffering as a pattern for those who should hereafter believe in Him to life everlasting.

17 Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

18 This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy, according to the prophecies which went before concerning thee, that thou by them mightest wage a good warfare,

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

19 holding faith and a good conscience which some, having put aside, have suffered shipwreck concerning faith.

20 Among them are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme.

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Observe:

1 I exhort therefore, first
of all, that supplications,
prayers, intercessions, and
giving of thanks be made
for all men,
2 for kings and for all
who are in authority, that
we may lead a quiet and
peaceable life in all godli-
ness and honesty.
3 For this is good and
acceptable in the sight of
God our Savior,
4 who will have all men
to be saved and to come
unto the knowledge of the
truth.
5 For there is one God and
one mediator between
God and men, the man
Christ Jesus,
6 who gave Himself a ran-
som for all, to be testified
in due time,
7 for which I am ordained
a preacher and an apostle
(I speak the truth in Christ
and lie not), a teacher of
the Gentiles in faith and
verity.
8 It is my will therefore that
men pray everywhere, lift-
ing up holy hands without
wrath and doubting.
9 In like manner also,
that women should adorn
themselves in modest

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

apparel, with shamefacedness and sobermindedness, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly array,

10 but, as becometh women professing godliness, with good works.

11 Let the woman learn in silence with all subjection.

12 But I suffer not a woman to teach, nor to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.

13 For Adam was first formed, then Eve.

14 And Adam was not deceived; but the woman, being deceived, was in the transgression.

15 Notwithstanding, she shall be saved in child-bearing if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobermindedness.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

1 This is a true saying: If a man desireth the office of bishop, he desireth a good work. 2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt at teaching; 3 not given to wine, not violent, not greedy for filthy lucre, but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; 4 one who ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all dignity. 5 (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?) 6 He must not be a novice in the faith, lest being lifted up with pride, he fall into the condemnation of the devil. 7 Moreover he must have a good reputation with those who are outsiders, lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil. 8 Likewise must the deacons be serious, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy for filthy lucre, 9 holding the mystery of the faith with a pure con-

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

science. 10 And let these also first be proved; then, being found blameless, let them make use of the office of a deacon.

11 So also must their wives be serious, not slanderers, sober, faithful in all things. 12 Let each deacon be the husband of one wife, ruling his children and his own house well.

13 For those who have ministered the office of deacon well purchase for themselves a good standing and great boldness in the faith, which is in Christ Jesus. 14 These things I write unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly, 15 but if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou ought to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

16 And beyond controversy, great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

1 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,
2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their conscience seared with a hot iron,
3 forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.
4 For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused if it be received with thanksgiving;
5 for it is sanctified by the Word of God and prayer.
6 If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished in the words of faith and of good doctrine unto which thou hast attained.
7 But reject profane and old wives' fables, and exercise thyself rather unto godliness.
8 For bodily exercise profiteth little, but godliness is

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.

9 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. 10 For therefor we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. 11 These things command and teach.

12 Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers, in word, in manner of living, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity. 13 Until I come, give attendance to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. 14 Neglect not the gift that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy, with the laying on of hands by the presbytery. 15 Meditate upon these things; give thyself wholly to them, that thy profiting may appear to all.

16 Take heed unto thyself and unto the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself and those who hear thee.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT
Observe:

1 Rebuke not an elder, but
entreat him as a father,
and the younger men as
brethren,
2 the elder women as
mothers, the younger as
sisters, in all purity.
3 Honor widows who are
truly widows.
4 But if any widow has
children or grandchildren,
let them learn first to show
piety at home and to re-
quite their parents, for that
is good and acceptable
before God.
5 Now she that is indeed
a widow, and desolate,
trusteth in God and con-
tinueth in supplications
and prayers night and day.
6 But she that liveth in
pleasure is dead while she
liveth.
7 And these things charge
them, that they may be
blameless.
8 But if any provide not for
his own, and especially for
those of his own house, he
hath denied the faith and
is worse than an infidel.
9 Let not a widow be
taken into the number
under three score years
old, having been the wife
of one man,

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10 well reported of for good works: if she has brought up children, if she has lodged strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has diligently followed every good work.

11 But the younger widows refuse, for when they have begun to wax wanton against Christ, they will marry,

12 having damnation because they have cast off their first faith.

13 And besides they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house; and not only idle, but tattlers also and busybodies, speaking things which they ought not.

14 It is my will therefore that the younger women marry, bear children, guide the house, give no occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.

15 For some have already turned aside after Satan.

16 If any man or woman who believeth have widows, let them relieve them and let not the church be burdened, that it may as-

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sist those who are widows indeed.

17 Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in the Word and doctrine.

18 For the Scripture saith, "Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn," and, "The laborer is worthy of his reward."

19 Against an elder receive not an accusation, except before two or three witnesses.

20 Those who sin rebuke before all, that others also may fear.

21 I charge thee before God and the Lord Jesus Christ and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.

22 Lay hands hastily on no man, neither be partaker of other men's sins. Keep thyself pure.

23 Drink no longer water, but use a little wine for thy stomach's sake and thy frequent infirmities.

24 Some men's sins are open beforehand, going on to judgment; and in

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some men they follow
after.

25 Likewise also the good
works of some are mani-
fest beforehand, but they
that are otherwise cannot
be hid.

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1 Let as many servants as are under the yoke count their own masters worthy of all honor, that the name of God and His doctrine be not blasphemed.

2 And those who have believing masters must not despise them because they are brethren, but rather do them service, because they are faithful and beloved, partakers of the benefit. These things teach and exhort.

3 If any man teach otherwise and consent not to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness,

4 he is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes over words, from which cometh envy, strife, railings, evil suspicions,

5 perverse disputings by men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness. From such withdraw thyself.

6 But godliness with contentment is great gain.

7 For we brought nothing

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into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out.

8 And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content.

9 But those who would be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10 For the love of money is the root of all evil; and while some have coveted after it, they have erred from the faith and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

11 But thou, O man of God, flee these things and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

12 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.

13 In the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession, I give thee this charge:

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14 that thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukable until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

15 which He in His times shall show — He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords,

16 who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto, whom no man hath seen nor can see, to whom be honor and power everlasting. Amen.

17 Charge those who are rich in this world that they be not haughty, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

18 that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate,

19 laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

20 O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane

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and vain babblings, and
oppositions of science,
falsely so called,
21 which some professing
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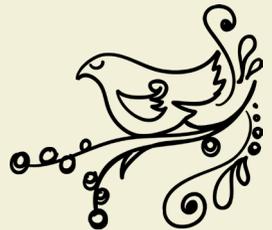
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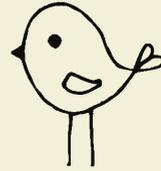
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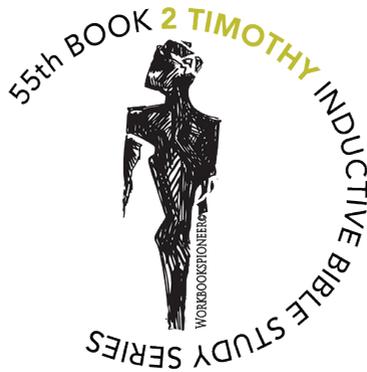
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3 I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that I have thee in remembrance in my prayers night and day without ceasing.

4 I greatly desire to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy⁵ when I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother

LEFT**Observe:**

Eunice and, I am persuaded, is in thee also.
6 Therefore I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God which is in thee through the putting on of my hands.⁷ For God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.
8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me His prisoner; but be thou a partaker of the afflictions of the Gospel according to the power of God,
9 who hath saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but in accordance with His own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jesus before the world began,¹⁰ but is now made manifest by the appearing of our Savior Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death and hath brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.¹¹ For this I am appointed a preacher and an apostle and a teacher of the Gentiles,
12 for which cause I also

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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Observe:

suffer these things; nevertheless I am not ashamed. For I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him against that Day.¹³ Hold fast to the form of sound words, which thou hast heard from me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.

14 That good thing which was committed unto thee, keep, by the Holy Ghost who dwelleth in us.

15 This thou knowest, that all those who are in Asia have turned away from me, among whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.

16 The Lord give mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me and was not ashamed of my chains;

17 but when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently and found me.

18 The Lord grant unto him that he may find mercy from the Lord in that Day! And in how many things he ministered unto me in Ephesus, thou knowest very well.

RIGHT
Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

1 Thou therefore, my son,
be strong in the grace that
is in Christ Jesus.

2 And the things that
thou hast heard from me
among many witnesses,
commit thou the same to
faithful men who shall be
able to teach others also.

3 Endure thou therefore
hardship as a good soldier
of Jesus Christ.

4 No man who warreth
entangleth himself with
the affairs of this life, that
he may please him who
hath chosen him to be a
soldier.

5 And if also a man strive
for masteries, yet he is not
crowned unless he strive
lawfully.

6 The husbandman who
laboreth must be the first
partaker of the fruits.

7 Consider what I say, and
the Lord give thee under-
standing in all things.

8 Remember that Jesus
Christ of the seed of David
was raised from the dead
according to my Gospel,

9 wherein I suffer trouble
as an evildoer, even unto
bonds. But the Word of
God is not bound.

10 Therefore I endure all

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Observe:

things for the elect's sake,
that they also may obtain
the salvation which is in
Christ Jesus, with eternal
glory.

11 It is a faithful saying: For
if we be dead with Him, we
shall also live with Him;

12 if we suffer, we shall
also reign with Him. If we
deny Him, He also will
deny us;

13 if we believe not, yet He
abideth faithful; He cannot
deny Himself.

14 Of these things put
them in remembrance,
charging them before the
Lord that they strive not
about words to no profit
but to the subverting of
the hearers.

15 Study to show thyself
approved unto God, a
workman who needeth
not to be ashamed, rightly
dividing the word of truth.

16 But shun profane and
vain babblings, for they
will increase unto more
ungodliness,

17 and their word will eat
as doth a canker — among
whom are Hymenaeus and
Philetus,

18 who concerning the
truth have erred, saying

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Interpret:

LEFT**Observe:**

that the resurrection is past already, and overthrowing the faith of some. 19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal: "The Lord knoweth those who are His," and, "Let every one who nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth, and some to honor and some to dishonor.

21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honor, sanctified and meet for the Master's use, and prepared for every good work.

22 Flee also youthful lusts; but follow righteousness, faith, charity, and peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they engender strifes.

24 And the servant of the Lord must not engender strife, but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach,

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LEFT**Observe:**

patient,
25 in meekness instructing
those in opposition. Per-
haps God will give them
repentance, that they may
acknowledge the truth,
26 and that they may
recover themselves out of
the snare of the devil, who
are taken captive by him at
his will.

RIGHT**Interpret:**

LEFT**Observe:**

1 This know also: that in the last days perilous times shall come.

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

3 without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, without selfcontrol, fierce, despisers of those who are good,

4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God,

5 having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof. From such turn away.

6 For of this sort are those who creep into houses and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,

7 ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth — men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.

9 But they shall proceed

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no further, for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.
10 But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,
11 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.
12 Yea, and all who will live a godly life in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.
13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.
14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing from whom thou hast learned them,
15 and that from childhood thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God and is profitable for doctrine, for

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reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly equipped for all good works.

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1 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:

2 preach the Word; be instant in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.

3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but having itching ears, they shall heap to themselves teachers in accordance with their own lusts.

4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned toward fables.

5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill thy ministry.

6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.

7 I have fought a good fight; I have finished my course; I have kept the faith.

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge,

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shall give me on that Day
— and not to me only, but
unto all those also who
love His appearing.

9 Use diligence to come
shortly unto me,

10 for Demas hath forsak-
en me, having loved this
present world, and has
departed unto Thessalo-
nica; Crescens to Galatia,
Titus unto Dalmatia.

11 Only Luke is with me.
Take Mark and bring him
with thee, for he is profit-
able to me for the ministry.

12 And Tychicus have I
sent to Ephesus.

13 The cloak that I left at
Troas with Carpus, when
thou comest, bring with
thee, and the books, but
especially the parchments.

14 Alexander the cop-
persmith did me much
evil; the Lord reward him
according to his works.

15 Beware thou also of
him, for he hath greatly
withstood our words.

16 At my first answer no
man stood with me, but
all men forsook me. I pray
God that it may not be laid
to their charge.

17 Notwithstanding, the
Lord stood with me and

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strengthened me, that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all the Gentiles might hear.

And I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.

18 And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil work and will preserve me unto His heavenly Kingdom, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

19 Salute Prisca and Aquila and the household of Onesiphorus.

20 Erastus remained at Corinth, but Trophimus I have left sick at Miletus.

21 Try with diligence to come before winter.

Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens and Linus and Claudia and all the brethren.

22 The Lord Jesus Christ be with thy spirit. Grace be with you. Amen.

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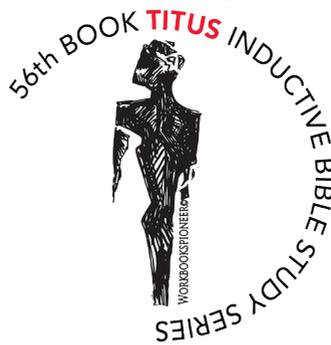
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5 For this cause I left thee
in Crete, that thou shoul-

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dest set in order the things
that are wanting, and
ordain elders in every city,
as I had appointed thee:
6 if any be blameless, the
husband of one wife, hav-
ing faithful children, not
accused of riot or unruly.
7 For a bishop must be
blameless, as the steward
of God, not selfwilled, not
quick to anger, not given
to wine, not violent, not
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13 This witness is true.
Therefore rebuke them
sharply, that they may be
sound in the faith,

14 not giving heed to
Jewish fables and com-
mandments of men who
turn from the truth.

15 Unto the pure, all things
are pure; but unto those
who are defiled and un-
believing, nothing is pure,
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16 They profess that they
know God, but in their
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1 But speak thou the things which befit sound doctrine:
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3 the older women likewise, that they be in behavior as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things,
4 that they may teach the young women to be sober, to love their husbands, to love their children,
5 to be discreet, chaste, keepers at home, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the Word of God be not blasphemed.
6 Likewise exhort the young men to be sober-minded,
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1 Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready for every good work,
2 to speak evil of no man, not to be brawlers, but gentle, showing all meekness unto all men.
3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another.
4 But after the kindness and love of God our Savior toward man appeared,
5 He saved us not by works of righteousness which we had done, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration, and by the renewing of the Holy Ghost,
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7 that, being justified by His grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.
8 This is a faithful saying, and these things I enjoin that thou affirm constantly, that those who have

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believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.

9 But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and contentions, and strivings about the law, for they are unprofitable and vain.

10 If a man is a heretic, after the first and second admonition reject him, 11 knowing that such as he is subverted and sinneth, being condemned by himself.

12 When I send Artemas unto thee or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me in Nicopolis, for I have determined to winter there.

13 Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them.

14 And let our own also learn to perform good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

15 All that are with me salute thee. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

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What difference does it make?

- Make a heartfelt decision to change. State this decision in a plan to accomplish the task. This is a specific course of action.



More questions you can ask

- What have I learned about myself from my study?

- What have I learned about others?

- What impact does this have on my life?

- What can I learn about my relationship with God?

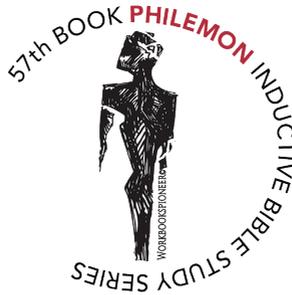
- Is there anything that needs to change in my relationship with Him?

- Is there anything that needs to change in how I relate to others?

- How am I challenged or encouraged by the lives of the people in the Bible? What can I learn from them? Is there anything I can identify with their lives?



PHIL



1 Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy our brother, Unto Philemon our dearly beloved, and fellow laborer,
2 and to our beloved Apphia, and Archippus our fellow soldier, and to the church in thy house:
3 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
4 I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers,
5 having heard of thy love and faith which thou hast toward the Lord Jesus and toward all saints,
6 that the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.
7 For we have great joy

LEFT**Observe:**

and consolation in thy love, because the hearts of the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.

8 Therefore, though I might be bold enough in Christ to enjoin thee to do that which is befitting,
9 yet for love's sake rather I beseech thee, being such a one as Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.

10 I beseech thee for my son Onesimus, whom I have begotten in my bonds.

11 In time past he was to thee unprofitable, but now profitable to thee and to me.

12 I am sending him back. Thou therefore receive him, who is mine own heart.

13 I would have retained him with me, that in thy stead he might have ministered unto me in the bonds of the Gospel;

14 but without thy mind would I do nothing, that thy goodness should not be, as it were, of necessity but willingly.

15 For perhaps he therefore departed for a

RIGHT**Interpret:**

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season, that thou shouldst receive him back for ever—

16 not now as a servant, but more than a servant: as a brother beloved, especially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh and in the Lord.

17 If thou count me therefore a partner, receive him as myself.

18 If he hath wronged thee, or oweth thee ought, put that on mine account.

19 I, Paul, have written this with mine own hand: I will repay it; albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides.

20 Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord; refresh my soul in the Lord.

21 Having confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee, knowing that thou wilt also do more than I say.

22 But besides prepare me also a lodging, for I trust that through your prayers I shall be given unto you.

23 There salute thee Epaphras, my fellow prisoner in Christ Jesus;

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24 also Marcus, Aristarchus, Demas and Luke, my fellow laborers.

25 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

RIGHT**Interpret:**



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