

God's Plan of salvation

Five Steps Into Christ

(1)HEAR: See also Acts 10:28-33

Rom 10:14 How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? **15** And how shall they preach, **(1)except they be sent?** as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things! **16** But they have not all **(2)obeyed** the **(3)gospel**. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report? **17** So then **faith** **(4)cometh by** **(5)hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**(KJV)

Definitions:

(1)except they be sent-649 apostello (ap-os-tel'-lo);from 575 and 4724; set apart, i.e. (by implication) to send out (properly, on a mission) literally or figuratively: KJV-- put in, send (away, forth, out), set [at liberty]: see **1Cor. Chapters 12; 13 and 14; Eph.3:1-7; 2Tim.3:1-17; 4:1-8**

(2)obeyed-5219 hupakouo (hoop-ak-oo'-o);from 5259 and 191; to hear under (as a subordinate), i.e. to listen attentively; by implication, to heed or conform to a command or authority: KJV-- hearken, be obedient to, obey.

(3)the gospel 2098 euaggelion-d) the gospel e) as the messianic rank of Jesus was proved by his words, his deeds, and his death, the narrative of the sayings, deeds, and death of Jesus Christ came to be called the gospel or glad tidings

(4)cometh by-1537 ek (ek) or ex (ex); a primary preposition denoting origin (the point whence action or motion proceeds): KJV-- after, out of, from, by.

(5)hearing-189 akoe (ak-o-ay'); from 191; hearing; the organ of hearing, the ear, (the act, the sense or the thing heard): KJV-- audience, ear, fame, which ye heard, hearing, preached, report, the thing heard: instruction, namely oral: used of preaching the gospel.

James 1:21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls. **22** But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. **23** For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: **24** For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. **25** But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.

(2)BELIEVE:

Mark 16:16 He (1)that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.

Definitions:

(1)that believeth and is baptized-4100 pisteuo (pist-yoo'-o);from 4102; to have faith (in, upon, or with respect to, a person or thing), i.e. credit; by implication, to entrust (especially one's

spiritual well-being to Christ): KJV-- believe (-r), commit (to trust), put in trust with. **4102** pistis (pis'-tis); from 3982; persuasion, i.e. credence; moral conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher), especially reliance upon Christ for salvation; abstractly, constancy in such profession; by extension, the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself: KJV-- assurance, belief, believe, faith, fidelity. **3982** peitho (pi'-tho); a primary verb; to convince, to assent (to evidence or authority), to rely (by inward certainty): KJV-- agree, assure, believe, have confidence, be (wax) conflent, make friend, obey, persuade, trust, yield.

Phil 1:27-30

27 Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel; **28** And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God. **29** For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe on him, but also to suffer for his sake; **30** Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear to be in me. (KJV)

James 2:17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone. **18** Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. **19** Thou **believest** that there is one God; thou doest well: **the devils also believe, and tremble.** **20** But wilt thou know, **O vain man**, that faith without works is dead? **21** Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? **22** Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? **23** And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. **24** Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only. **25** Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way? **26** For as the body without the spirit is dead, **so faith without works is dead also.**(KJV)

(3)REPENT:

Luke 13:3 I tell you, Nay: but, except (*)**ye repent**, ye shall all likewise perish.(KJV)

Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, (*)**Repent, and be baptized** every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.(KJV)

Definition: (*) except **ye repent**-3340 metanoeo (met-an-o-eh'-o); from 3326 and 3539; to think differently or afterwards, i.e. reconsider, 1) to change one's mind (heart), that is, to repent 2) to change one's mind (heart) for the better, to amend heartily with abhorrence of one's past sins: KJV-- repent.

(4)CONFESS:

Rom 10: 9 That if thou shalt **confess with thy mouth** the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. **10** For with **(1)the heart** man believeth unto **(2)righteousness**; and with the mouth **(3)confession is made** **(4)unto** **(5)salvation.**(KJV)

Definitions:

(1) For with **the heart**-2588 kardia (kar-dee'-ah); prolonged from a primary kar (Latin, cor, "heart"); the heart, i.e. (figuratively) **the thoughts or feelings (mind)**; also (by analogy) the

middle: KJV-- (+broken-) heart (-ed)

(2)righteousness-1343 dikaiosune (dik-ah-yos-oo'-nay); from **1342**; equity (of character or act); specially (Christian) justification: KJV-- righteousness...**1342** dikaios-righteous, observing divine laws,³) used of him whose way of thinking, feeling, and acting is wholly conformed to the will of God.

(3)with the mouth **confession is made** 3670 homologeo-1) to say the same thing as another, that is, to agree with, to assent 2) to concede a) not to refuse, to promise b) not to deny ...1) to confess 2) to declare 3) to confess, that is, to admit or declare oneself guilty of what one is accused of ...3) to profess a) to declare openly, to speak out freely b) to profess oneself the worshiper of one

(4)unto-1519 eis-into, unto, to, toward, for, among;

(5)salvation-4991 soteria (so-tay-ree'-ah); feminine of a derivative of 4990 as (properly, abstract) noun; rescue or safety (physically or morally): KJV-- deliver, health, salvation, save, saving.

(5)BAPTISM:

Jesus Christ our example...See Matt.3:13-17 and His command to his apostles:

Matt 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. **19** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, (1)baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: **20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you:** and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.(KJV)

Definition:(1)baptizing them-907 baptizo (bap-tid'-zo); from a derivative of 911; to immerse, submerge; to make overwhelmed (i.e. fully wet); used only (in the N. T.) of ceremonial ablution, especially (technically) of the ordinance of Christian baptism: KJV-- Baptist, baptize, wash.

(The Apostle Paul our example)

Acts 22:15-16

15 For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard. **16** And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord. (KJV)

Gal 3:27 For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.(KJV)

Col 2:11 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 Buried with him in baptism**, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.(KJV)

1 Pet 3:20 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. **21** The like figure whereunto even **baptism doth also now save us** (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: **22** Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.(KJV)

Heb 3:1-19

1 Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High

Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus; **2** Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also Moses was faithful in all his house. **3** For this man was counted worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as he who hath builded the house hath more honour than the house. **4** For every house is builded by some man; but he that built all things is God. **5** And Moses verily was faithful in all his house, as a servant, for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after; **6** But Christ as a son over his own house; whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end. **7** Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice, **8** Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness: **9** When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years. **10** Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in their heart; and they have not known my ways. **11** So I swear in my wrath, They shall not enter into my rest.) **12** Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. **13** But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin. **14** For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end; **15** While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation. **16** For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses. **17** But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness? **18** And to whom swore he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? **19** So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief. (KJV)

Heb 4:1-2

1 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it. **2** For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard it. (KJV)

Definitions

2 Cor 2:11 Lest Satan **(1) should get an advantage** of us: for **we are not (2) ignorant** of his **(3) devices**. (KJV)

(1) should get an advantage of us-4122 pleonekteo-to have more, or a greater part or share, to be superior, to excel, to surpass, to have an advantage over, to gain or take advantage of another, to overreach

(2) ignorant we are not ignorant-50 agnoeo (ag-no-eh'-o); from 1 (as a negative particle) and 3539; not to know (through lack of information or intelligence); by implication, to ignore (through disinclination):KJV-- (be) ignorant (-ly), not know, not understand, unknown, to be ignorant, not to know, to err or sin through mistake, to be wrong.

(3) of his devices-3540 noema (no'-ay-mah); from 3539; a perception, i.e. purpose, or (by implication) the intellect, disposition, itself: KJV-- device, mind, thought, a mental perception, a thought an evil purpose, what thinks, the mind, thoughts or purposes.

2 Tim 2:15-16

15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. **16** But shun profane and **(1) vain babblings**: for they will increase unto more ungodliness. (KJV)

Definition: (1) vain babblings-2757 kenophonia (ken-of-o-nee'-ah); from a presumed compound of 2756 and 5456; empty sounding, i.e. fruitless discussion: KJV—vain, empty

discussion, discussion of vain and useless matters.

Seven Steps That Keeps One in Christ

Giving all diligence, add to your faith

2 Pet 1:1 Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ: **2** Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, **3** According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: **4** Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust. **5** And beside this, giving **(1)all diligence, (2)add to your (3)faith (4)virtue**; and to virtue **(5)knowledge**; **6** And to knowledge **(6)temperance**; and to temperance **(7)patience**; and to **patience (8)godliness**; **7** And to godliness **(9)brotherly kindness**; and to brotherly kindness **(10)charity**.

Definitions:

(1)all diligence-4710 spoude (spoo-day'); from 4692; "speed", i.e. (by implication) despatch, eagerness, earnestness: KJV-- business, (earnest) care (-fulness), diligence, forwardness, haste.

(2)add-2023 epichoregeo (ep-ee-khor-ayg-eh'-o); from 1909 and 5524; to furnish besides, i.e. fully supply, (figuratively) aid or contribute: KJV-- add, minister (nourishment, unto).

(3)faith-4102 pistis (pis'-tis); from **3982**; persuasion, i.e. credence; moral conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher), especially reliance upon Christ for salvation; abstractly, constancy in such profession; by extension, the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself: KJV-- assurance, belief, believe, faith, fidelity. **3982** peitho (pi'-tho); a primary verb; to convince, to assent (to evidence or authority), to rely (by inward certainty): KJV-- agree, assure, believe, have confidence, be (wax) confent, make friend, obey, persuade, trust, yield.

(4)virtue-703 arete (ar-et'-ay); from the same as 730; properly, manliness (valor), i.e. excellence (intrinsic or attributed): KJV-- praise, virtue.

(5)knowledge-1108 gnosis (gno'-sis); from 1097; knowing (the act), i.e. (by implication) knowledge: KJV-- knowledge.

(6)temperance-1466 egkrateia (eng-krat'-i-ah); from 1468; self-control (especially continence): KJV-- temperance.

(7)patience-5281 hupomone (hoop-om-on-ay'); from 5278; cheerful (or hopeful) endurance, constancy: KJV-- enduring, patience, patient continuance (waiting).

(8)godliness-2150 eusebeia (yoo-seb'-i-ah); from 2152; piety; specially, the gospel scheme: KJV-- godliness, holiness. 1) reverence, respect 2) piety; devoted toward God: (through Christ and his apostles).

(9)brotherly kindness-5360 philadelphia (fil-ad-el-fee'-ah); from 5361; fraternal affection: KJV-- brotherly love (kindness), love of the brethren. 1) love of brothers or sisters, brotherly love 2) in the New Testament, the love which Christians, i.e. followers of Christ; cherish for each other as brethren

(10)charity-26 agape (ag-ah'-pay); from 25; love, i.e. affection or benevolence; specially (plural) a love-feast: KJV-- (feast of) charity ([-ably]), dear, love. 1) brotherly love, affection, good will, love, benevolence 2) love feasts

2 Pet 1:8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye **shall neither be barren nor unfruitful** in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. **9** But he that lacketh these

things is blind, and cannot see afar off, **and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.** **10** Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: **11** For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **12** Wherefore I will not be negligent **to put you always in remembrance of these things**, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth. **13** Yea, I think it meet, as long as I am in this tabernacle, to stir you up by putting you in remembrance; **14** Knowing that shortly I must put off this my tabernacle, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me. **15** Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease **to have these things always in remembrance.**(KJV)

One must also be zealous of good works

Titus 2:11 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, **12** Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; **13** Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ; **14** Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a **(1)peculiar** people, **(2)zealous of good works.**(KJV)

Definitions:

(1)peculiar people-4041 periousios (per-ee-oo'-see-os; from the present participle feminine of a compound of 4012 and 1510; **being beyond usual**, i.e. special (one's own): **KJV-- peculiar.**

(2)zealous of good works-2207 zelotes (dzay-lo-tace'); from 2206; a "zealot": 1) one burning with zeal, a zealot 3) most eagerly desirous of, zealous for, a thing b) to defend and uphold a thing, vehemently contending for a thing.

THE LOCATIONS FOR THE SCRIPTURES MENTIONED DURING THE AUDIO:

Jude 1:4-7

4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ. **5** I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not. **6** And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day. **7** Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth **for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.** (KJV)

Jude 1:21 **Keep yourselves in the love of God**, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ **unto eternal life.** (KJV)

Matt 25:41 Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, **Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:** (KJV)

Mark 9:43-48

43 And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands **to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:** **44** **Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.** **45** And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life, than having two feet to **be cast into hell, into the fire that**

never shall be quenched: 46 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched. 47 And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye, than having two eyes **to be cast into hell fire: 48 Where their worm dieth not, and the fire is not quenched.** (KJV)

Rev 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was **cast into the lake of fire and brimstone**, where the beast and the false prophet are, **and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.** (KJV)

Rev 14:10-12

10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; **and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone** in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: **11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night**, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name. **12 Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.** (KJV)

1Thes 3:1-4

1 Wherefore when we could no longer forbear, we thought it good to be left at Athens alone; **2** And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellowlabourer 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 yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto. 4** For verily, when we were with you, we told you before that we should suffer tribulation; even as it came to pass, and ye know. (KJV)

2 Tim 3:10-13

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 that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. 13** But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived. (KJV)

1 Pet 2:20-24

20 For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently, this is acceptable with God. **21** For even hereunto were ye called: **because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: 22 Who did no sin,** neither was guile found in his mouth: **23 Who, when he was reviled,** reviled not again; **when he suffered,** he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: **24** Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: **by whose stripes ye were healed.** (KJV)

1 Pet 4:1-3

1 Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; **2** That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God. **3** For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: (KJV)

1 Pet 4:12-19

12 Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: **13 But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings;** that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy. **14** If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you: on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified. **15** But let none of you suffer as a murderer, or as a thief, or as an evildoer, or as a busybody in other men's matters. **16** Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf. **17** For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God? **18 And if the (1) righteous (2) scarcely be saved,** where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear? **19** Wherefore let them that suffer according to the will of God commit the keeping of their souls to him in well doing, as unto a faithful Creator. (KJV)

Definitions:

(1) righteous-1342 dikaios (dik'-ah-yos);from 1349; equitable (in character or act); by implication, innocent, holy (absolutely or relatively): KJV-- just, meet, right (-eous), righteous, observing divine laws, in a wide sense, upright, righteous, virtuous, keeping the commands of God

(2) scarcely be saved-3433 molis (mol'-is); probably by var. for 3425; with difficulty: KJV-- hardly, scarce (-ly), + with much work, not easily, that is, scarcely, very rarely.

STRANGERS, PLIGRIMS, AND SOJOURNINGS...REF. SCRIPTURES:

(*) strangers, sojourning here in fear-3941 paroikos (par'-oy-kos);from 3844 and 3624; having a home near, i.e. (as noun) a by-dweller (alien resident): KJV-- foreigner, sojourn, stranger.in the New Testament, a stranger, a foreigner, one who lives in a place without the right of citizenship, one who lives on earth as a stranger, a sojourner on the earth, used of Christians whose home is in heaven.

() pilgrims on the earth**-3927 parepidemos (par-ep-id'-ay-mos);from 3844 and the base of 1927; an alien alongside, i.e. a resident foreigner: KJV-- pilgrim, stranger, sojourning in a strange place, a foreigner, in the New Testament, metaphorically, in reference to heaven as the native country, one who sojourns on earth

Heb 11:13-16

13 These all died in faith, not having received the promises, but having seen them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them, and confessed that they were **(*) strangers** and **(**) pilgrims on the earth**. **14** For they that say such things declare plainly that they seek a country. **15** And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned. **16** But now they desire a better country, that is, an heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be called their God: for he hath prepared for them a city. (KJV)

1 Pet 2:9-11

9 But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light: **10** Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not

obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy. **11 Dearly beloved, I beseech you as (*) strangers and (**) pilgrims**, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul; (KJV)

1 Pet 1:13-17

13 Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; **14 As obedient children**, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance; **15** But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation; **16** Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy. **17 And if ye call on the Father**, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, **pass the time of your (*) sojourning here in fear**: (KJV)

2 Tim 2:1-5

1 Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. **2** And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. **3** Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ. **4 No man that 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 a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, except he strive lawfully. (KJV)

II Jn 1:9-11

9 Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. **10 If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed**: **11** For he that biddeth him God speed is partaker of his evil deeds. (KJV)

Rom 16:16-18

16 Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you. **17 Now I beseech you, brethren**, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them. **18 For they that are such** serve not our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple. (KJV)

Gal 1:6-10

6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: **7** Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. **8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed**. **9 As we said before, so say I now again**, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed. **10** For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ. (KJV)

Luke 9:23-26

23 And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, (1) let him deny himself, and take up his (2) cross daily, and follow me. **24 For whosoever** will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same shall save it. **25** For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away? **26 For whosoever shall be ashamed of me and of my words, of him shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he shall come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels. (KJV)**

Definitions:

(1) let him deny himself-720 arneomai (ar-neh'-om-ahee); perhaps from 1 (as a negative

particle) and the middle voice of 4483; to contradict, i.e. disavow, reject, abnegate: KJV-- deny, refuse, to disregard one's own interests, to act entirely unlike himself.

(2) take up his **cross** daily-4716 stauros (stow-ros'); from the base of 2476; a stake or post (as set upright), i.e. (specifically) a pole or cross (as an instrument of capital punishment); figuratively, exposure to death, i.e. self-denial; by implication, the atonement of Christ: KJV-- cross.

(3) and **follow** me-190 akoloutheo (ak-ol-oo-theh'-o); from 1 (as a particle of union) and keleuthos (a road); properly, to be in the same way with, i.e. to accompany (specially, as a disciple): KJV-- follow, reach, to follow one who precedes, join him as his attendant, accompany him, to join one as a disciple, become or be his disciple: to side with his party

John 12:25-26

25 He that loveth his life shall lose it; and **he that hateth his life in this world** shall keep it unto life eternal. **26** If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me, him will my Father honour. (KJV)

Matt 12:33-37

33 Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit. **34** O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. **35** A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things. **36 But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment.** **37 For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.** (KJV)

Rev 3:15-16

15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. **16** So then because thou art **(1) lukewarm**, and neither cold nor hot, I will **(2) spue** thee out of my mouth. (KJV)

Definitions:

(1) thou art **lukewarm**-5513 chliaros-tepid, lukewarm, metaphorically, used of the condition of the soul wretchedly fluctuating between a torpor and a fervor of love

(2) I will **spue** thee out of my mouth-1692 emeo (em-eh'-o); of uncertain affinity; to vomit: KJV-- (will) spue, to vomit, to vomit forth, to throw up