

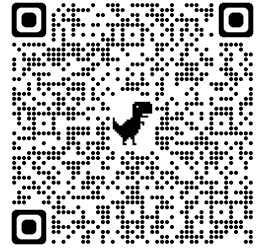
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7th Annual Rediscovering the Holy Scriptures Disciple's Reformation Conference 2024

THEME: The Mystery and Ministry of Discipleship in JESUS CHRIST

"How-To Become a Disciple and Teach Others"



1. What is it?
2. What does it look like?
3. Why is it important?
4. How do I do it?
5. How do I teach others?

Teachings



- 1. The Purpose of This Conference! “Why This Conference?”**
- 2. Scriptural Highlights Colors & Meanings**
- 3. Returning to the Original Means (Greek Words & Definitions)**
- 4. The Creation was about GOD Seeking a Wife for His Son**
- 5. What is the Kingdom of GOD – The Kingdom of Heaven?**
- 6. We Must Repent to Enter the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 7. The Mystery of Discipleship**
- 8. What is Discipleship**
- 9. Jesus Came to Cleanse His Bride so She could become His Wife**

Teachings



10. Key Truths of Discipleship

11. The LORD Charged Us to READ the Apostle's Writings to All the Holy Brethren

12. Wisdom Definition of the Church and Bride of JESUS CHRIST

17. The Scriptures Teach Us "How-To" Accurately Define the HEART!

10. Recovering the Definition and Meaning of Discipleship

11. Satan's Focus is to Steal GOD's WORD so he can Kill and Destroy You

12. The Origins of the Christian Religion, Its Philosophy, and the Hiding of GOD's WORD



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Teachings



- 17. Wisdom Questions to Guide Your Study so You can Grow and be Transformed**
- 18. JESUS Called Individuals to FOLLOW Him**
- 19. The Significance of JESUS' Establishment of the New Covenant (NC)**
- 20. The NC Laws and Commandments**
- 21. The Kingdom of Heaven is built on GOD's WORD – "What is Written"**
- 22. Precepts of the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 23. New Born Babes in JESUS Must Have the WORD to Grow!**



1. The Purpose of This Conference!

“Why this Conference?”

Why This Conference?

- **Have You Changed?**
- **Are you prepared to meet JESUS CHRIST?**
- **Do you know “How-To” prepare?**
- **Discipleship is the process of preparing for the LORD’s Return**
- **Once you start walking as a true disciple, you will be equipped to make disciples**

Why This Conference?

- **Questions to be considered and answered:**
 - Have we **changed** as an individual? Have others **changed**?
 - Did “WE” (*Individually or collectively as the Organized Church*) prepare individuals to **live alone** and **die alone** as we saw during the Covid pandemic?
- **Personal Observations through the Holy Ghost:**
 - **Organized Christian Religion** is primarily focused on the **growth of the organization**
 - **JESUS** focused on the **growth of the individual**
- **Purpose of the NT Church Movement and this Conference:**
 - **Encourage** the **Growth** of individuals who have professed a hope in **JESUS CHRIST!**
 - Teaching individuals **“HOW-TO”** read and study the **NC Holy Scriptures** of the **New Covenant** in **JESUS’ blood** so they can **experience transformation** and be prepared for the **LORD’s soon return!**

Foundation Reset (Expectation Set)



This is **not** about **debating** the **merits** of the **Organized Christian Church**

- I personally **do not** have an opinion **for** or **against** **Organized Churches**
 - They can be **great** and **powerful** in the **Kingdom of GOD**, If they **make disciples** and **teach** the **NC Holy Scriptures** in their entirety and in agreement with **the Holy Spirit**
 - However, they can be **deceiving**, **seducing**, and **destructive** to **those they** are leading if they **replace** the **Holy Scriptures** with their **own philosophical, political, economic, social, or other doctrines**

This is about **awakening** individuals to the NC Scriptural Commandments for them to become **Disciples** (**G3101, 3101. *mathetes, math-ay-tes'*; from G3129; a learner, i.e. pupil:--disciple**)

- **JESUS** says that **those** who will **follow Him** **must** “**deny**” **themselves**, **take up** their “**cross**” and “**follow**” **Him** (*St. Matt. 16:24-26*)
- Peter **commanded** **newborn babes** to **desire** (love, seek) the **sincere** **milk** of **GOD's Word** so **they** can **grow** (*1 Pet. 2:1-2*)

Focused on Your Growth

The teachings provided in this conference are to teach and equip you to read, study, and meditate on the Scriptures of the NC Covenant established in JESUS' blood that ye might be washed and cleansed by the WORD of GOD! Also, "How-To" be led by the Holy Spirit!

Those who profess JESUS CHRIST were commanded to be transformed by the renewing of their mind through the WORDs that JESUS CHRIST sent through the Holy Apostles Whom he had chosen. (Acts 1:1-2)

1. The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,
2. Until the day in which he was taken up, after that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

A Heavenly Kindergarten

- **NT Church Movement is constructing a Discipleship Academy that teaches New Born Babes "How-To" READ and STUDY the Holy Scriptures to promote their GROWTH!**
 - The www.NTChurchMovement.com website is a freely available resource the LORD inspired me and Ramona to create
 - The world teaches us "How-To" READ and LEARN – However, the Religion of Christianity has mostly shunned the need to promote reading, growth, and understanding among its members
 - The LORD inspired me and Ramona to establish this annual conference to gather the LORD's BODY of those who desire to GROW in the knowledge and understanding of His WORD
 - Ramona and I founded Galilee Publishing to extend the ministry by publishing Discipleship training materials as resources for individuals and organizations

The Mystery of Discipleship

- Questions to equip Followers of JESUS to Pursue Discipleship
 - What is It? (You MUST READ the Holy Scriptures)
 - What does it Mean? (You MUST STUDY and HEAR the HOLY SPIRIT)
 - What does it Look Like?
 - Why is it Important? (You MUST STUDY the WORD)
 - How do I DO it? (You MUST RENEW the THOUGHTS of one's IMAGINATION)
 - How Do I TEACH Others? (You MUST be a Disciple and experience TRANSFORMATION before you can TEACH others.)

READING is the BEGINNING of One's Journey to TRANSFORMATION!



Commanded to TEACH

- **JESUS** sent His Disciples (Apostles with) a **COMMANDMENT** to **TEACH** and **Make Disciples**
 - **Mat 28:16-17 (KJV)** **Then** the **eleven** disciples **went** away into **Galilee**, into a **mountain** where **JESUS** had appointed them. **17** **And when they saw HIM**, they worshipped HIM: **BUT** some **DOUBTED**.
 - **Mat 28:18-20 (KJV)** 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, 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.



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Commanded to TEACH

- JEUS sent His Disciples (Apostles with) a COMMANDMENT to TEACH and Make Disciples
- Apostle
 - **apostolos**, *ap-os'-tol-os*, **G652** From G649; a **delegate**; specifically an **ambassador** of the **Gospel**; officially a **commissioner of Christ** ("apostle"), (with miraculous powers):
- **apostle, messenger, he that is sent.**

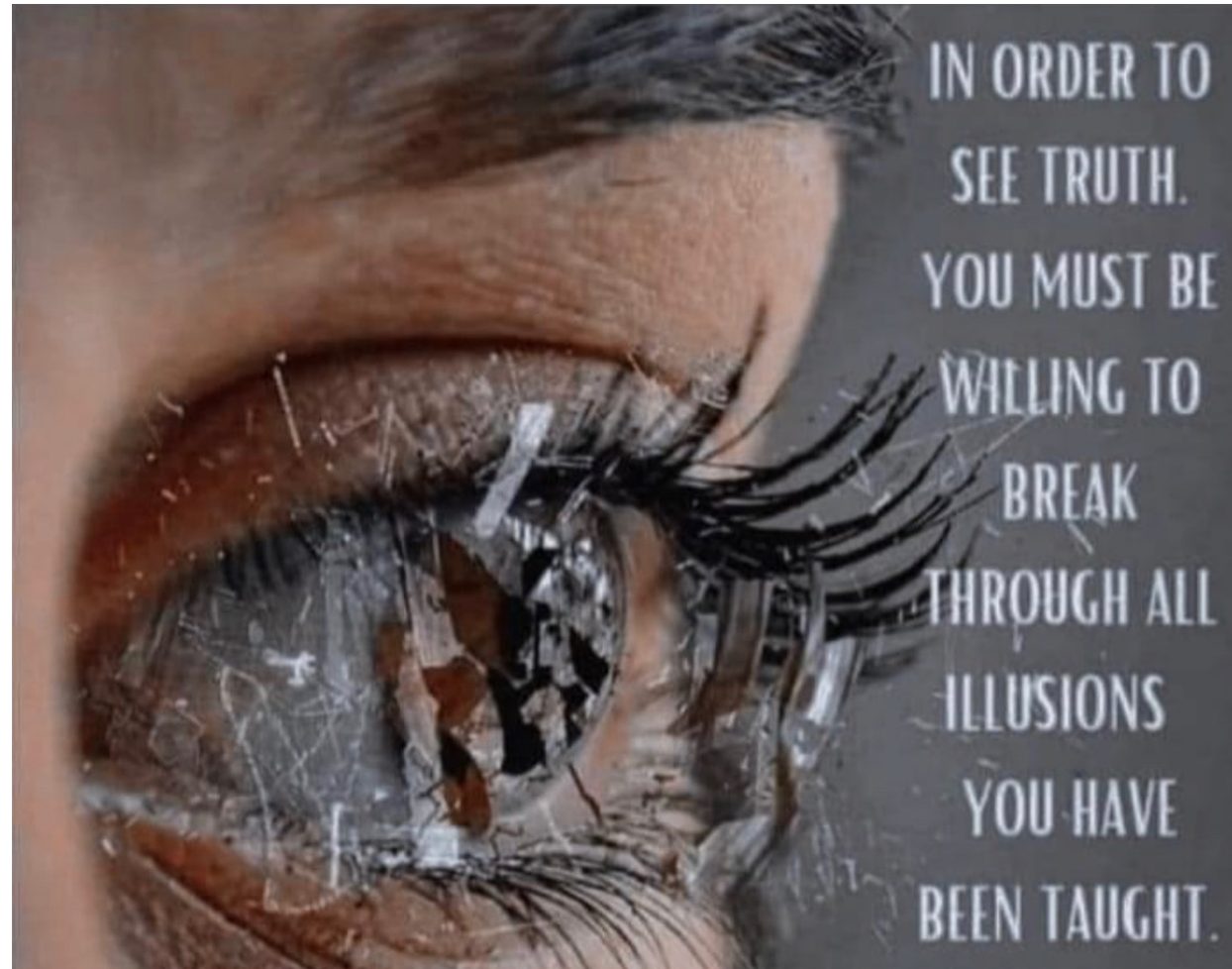
You BECOME a Disciples BEFORE You can MAKE a DISCIPLE!



Conference's Objectives

1. **Help those** who **profess** to **know** and **follow** JESUS CHRIST to begin to **earnestly read, study, and search** the Holy Scriptures, that **they** may begin to **grow** as the **LORD's Disciples** (*St. John 5:39; Acts 11:17*)
2. **Encourage Disciples** to "**desire** the **sincere** **milk** of **God's Word** so **they** **might grow!**" (*1 Peter 2:2*)
3. **Help Disciples** to **read** and **study** the Scriptures through a **new lens** (*2 Tim. 2:15*)
4. **Encourage Disciples** to **do** **critical thinking (meditation)** about **all** the **Words** in the "**key**" Scriptures in the **pursuit of following** Jesus Christ (*2 Pet. 1:19-21*)
5. **Exhort Disciples** to **obtain** **knowledge** of the **coming eternal judgment** through **reading** the Holy Scriptures so **they** can **prepare** for **Jesus' return** as **wise Virgins!** (*St Matt. 25:1-13; Rev. 21:6-8; 22:14-15*)

We must unlearn what we have learned



The Discipleship Journal

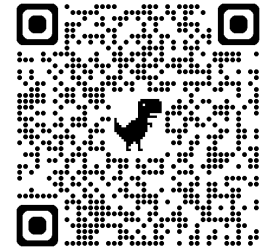
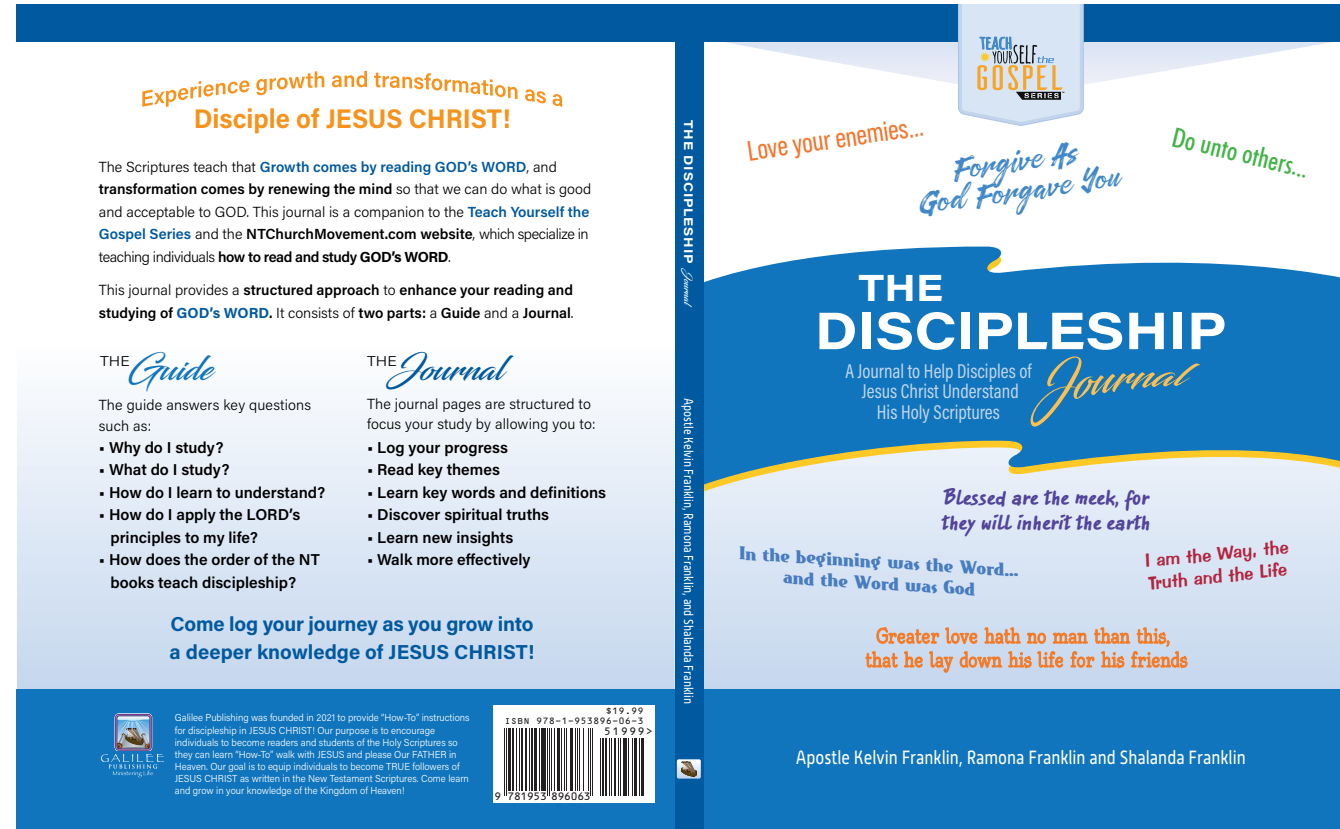


The Discipleship Journal – A Journal to Help Disciples of JESUS CHRIST Understand the Holy Scriptures

This journal was specially designed to help you experience growth and transformation as a Disciple of JESUS CHRIST by providing a structured approach to enhance your reading and studying of GOD's WORD.

It consists of two parts: a **Guide** and a **Journal**. The guide section answers key questions such as **why do I study, what do I study, how do I learn, how do I apply these principles to my life, and what does the order of the New Testament books teach about discipleship?**

The **journal pages** are structured to focus your study by providing a place to log your progress, teach you key themes, teach you to look up keywords and definitions, and help you focus on learning spiritual truths to guide your life?



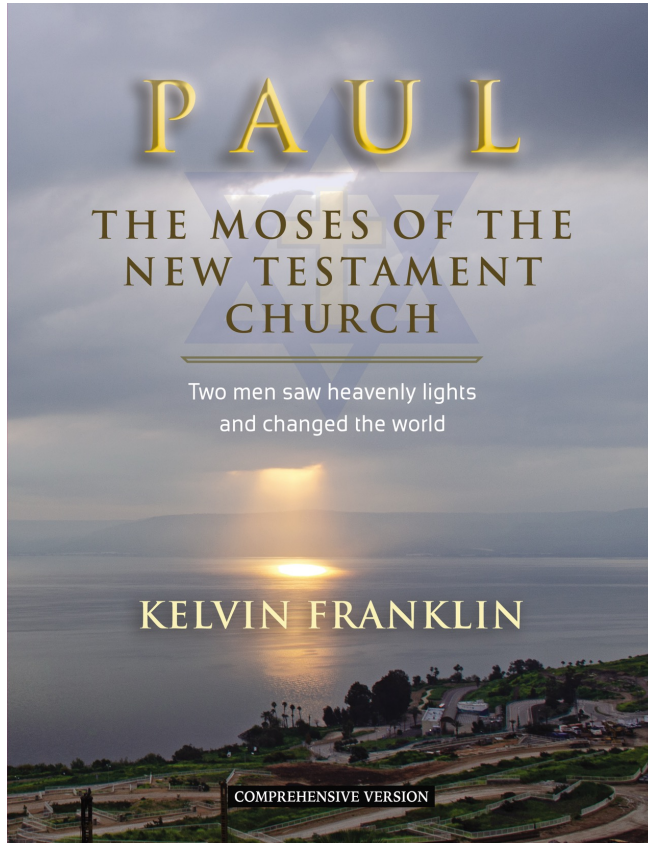
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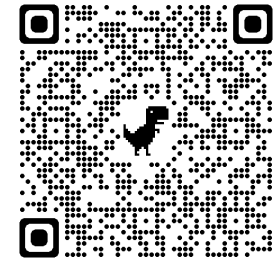


Learn **“HOW-TO”** be a **TRUE Follower and Disciple of JESUS CHRIST.**

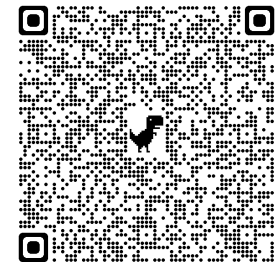
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Read as Kelvin shares the wisdom the **HOLY SPIRIT** revealed to him that teaches discipleship and **“HOW-TO”** walk as followers of JESUS CHRIST in today's world!



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2. Scriptural Highlight Colors & Meanings

Scriptural Highlight Colors & Meanings



- **Purple (Royal)** – Royal Heavenly Nouns (Names of God, Jesus, Holy Ghost, Heaven, etc.)
- **Blue (Royal, Dark)** – Spiritual Truths & Commandments (Covenant, Faith, Hope, Love, Repent, Sanctify, Walk, Thoughts, Imaginations, Heart, etc.)
- **Orange** – Action Verbs (What Disciples are commanded to do or allow to be done in their lives – i.e., hear, purge, confirm, continue, speak, build, partake, rejoice, give, etc.)
- **Red** – Forbidden Thoughts or Actions (thoughts, sins, transgression, actions, behaviors that disciples should not permit in their thought life or their behaviors)
- **Green** – Earthly Nouns (Names of disciples, saints, apostles, places, etc.)
- **Pink** – Conditional Statement (A choice that results in a consequence, i.e., **If/Then** statements: *“IF you continue in my words, THEN are ye my Disciples indeed.”*) (St. John 8:31)
- **Yellow** – Highlighted (done for emphasis on select words like any, all, every, etc.)
- **Blue (Light)** – Adjectives (words that modify/clarify spiritual commandments & truths)



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This is the **Bible APP** that I used to color code the words when I am reading and studying the Holy Scriptures. I have the APP on my iPhone and Mac computers.

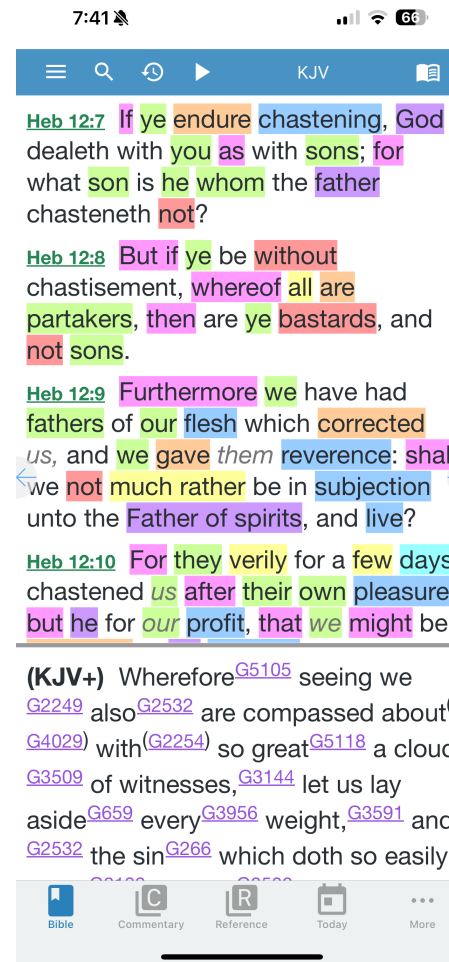
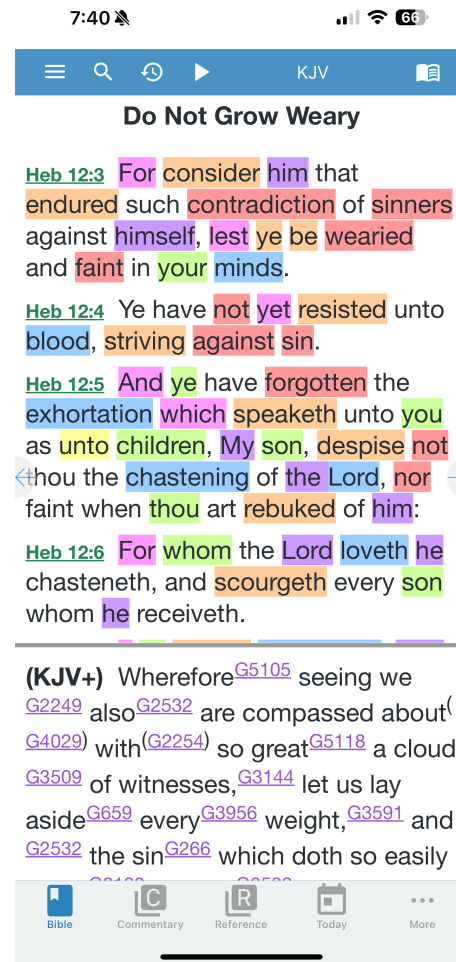
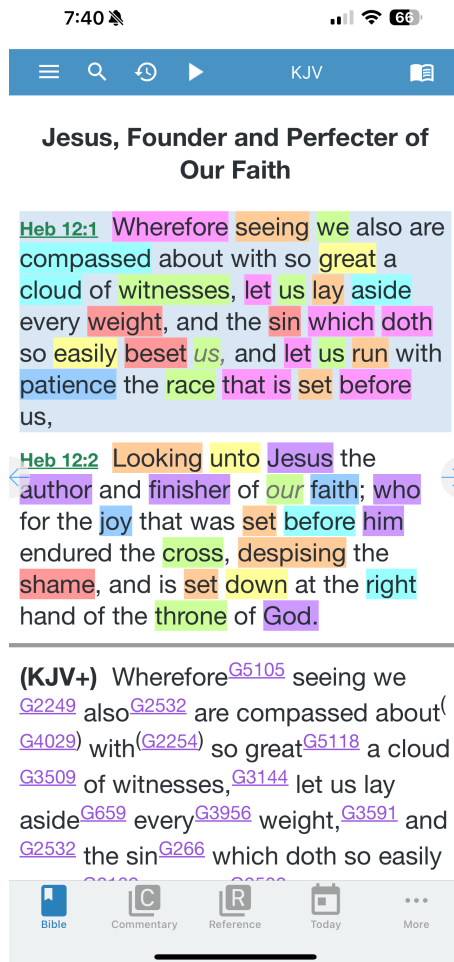
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3. Returning to the Original Meanings – *Greek Definitions to Key Discipleship Words*

Greek Definition's of Key Words

- It is critical that Disciples know and use the original definitions of the words that God gave to the Apostle writers of the NC Scriptures
 - The Word of God is eternal and never changes (*Psa. 119:89, 160; 1 Pet. 1:25; St. Mat. 24:35; St. Mark 13:31; St. Luke 21:33; 2 Tim. 3:16-17*)
 - Scriptures are not open to private interpretations of individuals (*2 Pet. 1:20-21*)
 - Many translations have perverted the true meanings of the Words given by the Holy Ghost through the Apostles
 - The Greek language was chosen by God for the NC Writings
 - Greek language is one of the most expressive if not the most expressive languages in the world next to Hebrew
 - Many religious leaders have exclude key discipleship words from their teachings
 - Having the true definitions from the original language will enable disciples to truly understand and follow God's NC Commandments so they can walk upright and please Him

Original Meanings of GOD's WORDS!



- **Hebrew (Old Covenant, OC) – How the WORD was given to Israel**
 - Yes, **each character in the Hebrew alphabet carries a deeper meaning beyond just its phonetic sound**, with many letters representing concepts like unity, creation, life, and divine presence, often explored in Jewish mysticism where the letters are seen as symbolic and imbued with spiritual significance; this is particularly evident in the first letter, "Aleph," which signifies the concept of oneness and the ultimate source of all things. *(Google AI – Hebrew Language Characters have a meaning)*
- **Greek (New Covenant, NC) – each word has a specific meaning as it correlates between the Kingdom of Heaven and the OC**
 - **For example, the Holy Bible's OT only uses the word Covenant**
 - **However, the Holy Bible's NT often translates Covenant as Testament**

Greek Definitions of Key Words

• Disciple

- 3101. mathetes, math-ay-tes'; from G3129; a learner, i.e. pupil:--disciple.

• Repent

- 3340. metanoeo, met-an-o-eh'-o; from G3326 and G3539; to think differently or afterwards, i.e. reconsider (mor. feel compunction):--repent.

• Sanctify

- 37. hagiazō, hag-ee-ad'-zo; from G40; to make holy, i.e. (cer.) purify or consecrate; (mentally) to venerate:--hallow, be holy, sanctify.

• Sanctification

- 38. hagiasmos, hag-ee-as-mos'; from G37; prop. purification, i.e. (the state) purity; concr. (by Hebr.) a purifier:--holiness, sanctification.



Greek Definitions of Key Words

• Transformed

- 3339. **metamorphoō**, *met-am-or-fo'-o*, From G3326 and G3445; to *transform* (literally or figuratively "**metamorphose**"): - **change**, **transfigure**, **transform**.

• Learn

- 3129. **manthanō**, *man-than'-o*, Prolonged from a primary verb, another form of which, μαθέω *matheō*, is used as an alternate in certain tenses; to **learn** (in any way): - **learn**, **understand**.

• Grow

- 837. **auxanō**, *owx-an'-o*, A prolonged form of a primary verb; **to grow** ("wax"), that is, **enlarge** (literally or figuratively, actively or passively): - **grow (up)**, **(give the) increase**.

• Teach

- 3100. **mathēteuō**, *math-ayt-yoo'-o*, From G3101; intransitively to **become a pupil**; transitively **to disciple**, that is, **enrol as scholar**: - **be disciple**, **instruct**, **teach**.

Greek Definitions of Key Words

• Holiness

- 38. **hagiasmos**, hag-ee-as-mos'; from G37; prop. purification, i.e. (the state) purity; concr. (by Hebr.) a purifier:--holiness, sanctification.

• Holy & Saint (same word)

- 40. **hagios**, hag'-ee-os; from hagos (an awful thing) [comp. G53, H2282]; sacred (phys. pure, mor. blameless or religious, cer. consecrated):--(most) holy (one, thing), saint.

• Perfect

- 5046. **teleios**, tel'-i-os; from G5056; complete (in various applications of labor, growth, mental and moral character, etc.); neut. (as noun, with G3588) completeness:--of full age, man, perfect.

Greek Definitions of Key Words

• Pure

- 2513. katharos, kath-ar-os'; of uncert. affin.; clean (lit. or fig.):--clean, clear, pure.

• Purify

- 48. hagnizo, hag-nid'-zo; from G53; to make clean, i.e. (fig.) sanctify (cer. or mor.):--purity (self).

• Iniquity & Transgression

- 458. anomia, an-om-ee'-ah; from G459; illegality, i.e. violation of law or (gen.) wickedness:--iniquity, X transgress (-ion of) the law, unrighteousness.

• Please

- 700. aresko, ar-es'-ko; prob. from G142 (through the idea of exciting emotion); to be agreeable (or by impl. to seek to be so):--please.

Following the Key NC Truths

- It is not so much about the word that we use today as it is to understand and do what was meant by the original words written by the Apostles in the NC that they proclaimed came directly from JESUS CHRIST by the HOLY GHOST
- **TRANSFORMATION** requires us to understand and execute (DO and KEEP) what was originally understood by those who JESUS CHRIST taught regarding how to FOLLOW HIM and be His TRUE Disciples!
- Whether we call ourselves Christians, Disciples, Believers, Followers, or whatever new word comes along, it will not matter if we do not UNDERSTAND the ORIGINAL MEANINGS and DO what the LORD INITIALLY COMMANDED!



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4. The Creation was about GOD seeking a Wife for His SON!



The Marriage of JESUS CHRIST to His Bride FIRST seen in Genesis

- GOD prophetically **FIRST** spoke of the future marriage of JESUS to His Bride in the Garden
 - Gen 2:22-24 (KJV) And the rib, which the LORD GOD had taken from man, made HE a woman, and brought her unto the man. 23 And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man. 24 Therefore shall a man LEAVE his father and his mother, and shall CLEAVE unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.
 - Mat 19:4-6 (KJV) And HE answered and said unto them, Have ye NOT READ, that HE which made them at the beginning made them male and female, 5 And SAID, For this cause shall a man LEAVE father and mother, and shall CLEAVE to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? 6 Wherefore they are NO more twain, but one flesh. What therefore GOD hath joined together, let not man put asunder.

JESUS Came Looking for a Bride

- **JESUS** came looking for a bride among mankind to become his Wife
 - Eph 5:25-32 (KJV) **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 that **LOVETH** his wife **LOVETH** himself. 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**.



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5. What is the Kingdom of GOD – The Kingdom of Heaven?

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of Heaven

- **JESUS Commands His Followers to Seek FIRST the KINGDOM of HEAVEN**
 - **Mat 6:31-34 (KJV) Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we EAT? or, What shall we DRINK? or, Wherewithal shall we be CLOTHED? 32 (For after ALL these things do the Gentiles SEEK;) for your HEAVENLY FATHER knoweth that ye have need of ALL these things. 33 But SEEK ye first the KINGDOM of GOD, and HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS; and ALL these things shall be added unto you. 34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the evil thereof.**
- **To SEEK the Kingdom of Heaven, we MUST FIRST Define it in the Scriptures**

NC is about the Kingdom of Heaven

- John the Baptist's Message - REPENT for the Kingdom of Heaven
 - Mat 3:1-2 (KJV) In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judaea, 2 And saying, REPENT ye: for the KINGDOM of HEAVEN is at hand.
- JESUS's FIRST Message - REPENT for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand
 - Mat 4:17 (KJV) From that time JESUS began to PREACH, and to say, REPENT: for the KINGDOM of HEAVEN is at hand

JESUS' Kingdom is NOT of this World



- JESUS taught that His Kingdom was NOT of this WORLD
 - Jhn 18:33-35 (KJV) Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and called JESUS, and said unto him, Art thou the King of the Jews? 34 JESUS answered him, Sayest thou this thing of thyself, or did others tell it thee of ME? 35 Pilate answered, Am I a Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me: what hast THOU done?
 - Jhn 18:36 (KJV) JESUS answered, MY KINGDOM is NOT of this WORLD: if MY KINGDOM were of this WORLD, then would MY servants fight, that I should NOT be DELIVERED to the Jews: but now is MY KINGDOM NOT from hence.



Abraham sought the Kingdom of GOD



- Abraham looked for a COUNTRY with a CITY with FOUNDATIONS that was MADE by GOD
 - Heb 11:8-10 (KJV) **By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, OBEYED; and he went out, NOT knowing whither he went. 9 By faith he sojourned in the land of promise, as in a STRANGE country, dwelling in tabernacles with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise: 10 For he looked for a CITY which hath FOUNDATIONS, whose BUILDER and MAKER is GOD.**



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OC Individuals of Faith Sought a Heavenly Country with a Holy City of GOD



- Those who lived by Faith in the OC were PILGRIMS and STRANGERS on EARTH because they were looking for a HEAVENLY COUNTRY with the CITY of GOD
 - Heb 11:13-16 (KJV) 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.**

JESUS went Away to Prepare a Place for Those who would FOLLOW Him

- JESUS went **AWAY** to **PREPARE** a PLACE for **US**
 - Jhn 14:1-6 (KJV) Let **NOT** your **HEART** be **TROUBLED**: ye believe in **GOD**, believe also in **ME**. 2 In my **FATHER's** house are **many** mansions: *if it were **NOT** so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.* 3 **And** if I go and prepare a place for you, I **will** come again, and receive you **unto** **MYSELF**; that where I **AM**, there ye may be **also**. 4 **And** whither I go ye **KNOW**, and the **WAY** ye **KNOW**. 5 **Thomas** saith unto him, **LORD**, we **KNOW** **NOT** whither **THOU** goest; and how can we **KNOW** the **WAY**? 6 **JESUS** saith unto him, I am the **WAY**, the **TRUTH**, and the **LIFE**: **NO** man **cometh** **unto** the **FATHER**, but by **ME**.

The Bride, the New City, Holy Jerusalem

- John say the **NEW CITY, HOLY JERUSALEM** descending from the **NEW HEAVEN** to the **NEW EARTH**; described as the **BRIDE** for **JESUS**, the **BRIDEGROOM**
- **GOD prepared a bride for His SON**
 - **Rev 21:1-3 (KJV) (1)** And I saw a **new HEAVEN** and a **new EARTH**: for the **first** heaven and the **first** earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. **(2)** And I John saw the **HOLY CITY, new JERUSALEM**, **coming down** from **God** out of **heaven**, **prepared** as a **BRIDE adorned** for **her husband**. **(3)** And I heard a great voice out of **heaven saying**, Behold, the **TABERNACLE** of **God** *is* with **men**, and **he** will **DWELL** with **them**, and **they shall** be his **people**, and **God himself shall** be with **them**, *and be* **their God**.

John Shown the Holy City Jerusalem, the Lamb's Wife



- The Bride, the Lamb's WIFE
 - **Rev 21:9-10 (KJV) (9) And there came unto me one of the seven angels** which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and **talked with me**, saying, **Come hither**, I will **shew thee the BRIDE**, the **LAMB'S WIFE**. (10) And **he carried me** away in the spirit to a **great and high mountain**, and shewed **me** that **GREAT CITY**, the **HOLY JERUSALEM**, **descending** out of **heaven** from **God**,
- **The new city, great city, Holy Jerusalem**, and synonymous with the **BRIDE** and **WIFE** of JESUS CHRIST



Apostles are the Foundations of the Holy City

- The Holy City has twelve (12) foundations containing the names of the Twelve Apostles of the Lamb
 - Rev 21:14 (14) And the wall of the city had twelve FOUNDATIONS, and in them the NAMES of the TWELVE APOSTLES of the LAMB.
- The NEW COVENANT (NC) is built on the COMMANDMENTS and LAWS JESUS gave to HIS Twelve Apostles
 - Act 1:1-2 (1) The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that JESUS began both to DO and TEACH, 2 UNTIL the day in which HE was TAKEN UP, AFTER that HE through the HOLY GHOST had given COMMANDMENTS unto the APOSTLES whom HE had CHOSEN:
- JESUS directly chose 13 Apostles, the original 12 plus Paul; Judas betrayed JESUS, leaving 12; the remaining 12 are in the foundation



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6. We Must Repent to Enter the Kingdom of Heaven

Must Repent (Think Differently) to Enter the Kingdom of Heaven



- John the Baptist's Message - Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven
 - **Mat 3:1-2 (KJV)** In **those days** came **John the Baptist**, **preaching** in the **wilderness of Judaea**, **2** And **saying**, **REPENT** ye: **for** the **KINGDOM** of **HEAVEN** is at hand.
- JESUS's Message - Repent for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand
 - **Mat 4:17 (KJV)** **From that time** **JESUS** **began** to **PREACH**, **and** to **say**, **REPENT**: **for** the **KINGDOM** of **HEAVEN** is at hand



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Transformation Required to Enter Heaven



- Disciples are cautioned to NOT be CONFORMED to this World, but to be TRANSFORMED by the RENEWING of their MIND
 - Rom 12:1-2 (KJV) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of GOD, that ye PRESENT your bodies a living SACRIFICE, holy, acceptable unto GOD, *which is your* reasonable service. 2 And be NOT CONFORMED to this world: but be ye TRANSFORMED by the RENEWING of your MIND, that ye may prove *what is* that GOOD, and ACCEPTABLE, and PERFECT, WILL of GOD.



Disciples MUST not WALK in the Vanity of their Minds

- Disciples are called to LEARN the TRUTH and NOT WALK in the VANITY of THEIR MINDS
 - Eph 4:17-24 (KJV) 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 understanding darkened**, being **alienated 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 be that ye have HEARD HIM, and HAVE BEEN TAUGHT by HIM, as the TRUTH is in JESUS**: **22 That ye PUT OFF concerning the former conversation 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 the new man, which after GOD is CREATED in RIGHTEOUSNESS and TRUE HOLINESS.**



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7. The Mystery of Discipleship

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- **What is a Mystery?**

- Mustērion (*moos-tay'-ree-on*) From a derivative of μύω muō (to *shut* the mouth); a **secret** or “**mystery**” (through the **idea of silence imposed by initiation into religious rites**): - mystery.

- **Why is Discipleship a Mystery**

- Constantine, the Roman Emperor, **imposed the religion of Christianity** on the World in 325 A.D. and sought to **eliminate the Disciples and TRUE FOLLOWERS of CHRIST**
- St. Augustine formulated the teachings of Christianity using the **philosophical techniques** of Socrates, Plato, Aristotle, and the other Greek Philosophers.
- The Roman Catholic (universal) Church **forbade the laity to have the Scriptures.**
- The Catholic Church conducted their **masses in Latin** (an unspoken language)

The Scriptural Knowledge of “How-To” Be a TRUE Disciple of CHRIST was LOST!

How Do We Get Back to Being Disciples



- **We MUST become Disciples, LEARNERS and PUPILS, of the NC Writings of the Apostles whom JESUS sent to publish his Commandments and Law to SANTIFY and CLEANSE His Bride to be Holy and Glorious for His Coming Marriage**
- **The question then is How do we do that?**
 - **This conference is designed to answer the question and provide practical techniques, knowledge, and tools that you can use to become a LEARNER and PUPIL of JESUS CHRIST**
 - **NT Church Movement website has published numerous books, charts, diagrams, lessons, a syllabus, and other tools to equip you to be a student of the Holy Scriptures**



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8. What is Discipleship?



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Discipleship is about becoming CHRIST's Bride and the Lamb's WIFE in His Kingdom



1. Discipleship is the journey one **FOLLOWS** to become the **Bride** and **Wife** of **JESUS CHRIST**, the **Lamb** of **GOD**
2. A Disciple heeds the Call to **FOLLOW JESUS CHRIST** by **FAITH**,
3. A Disciple becomes a **LEARNER** through being a **PUPIL** (*student*) of the **NC Writings** of the **Apostles** so **they** can **GROW**
4. A Disciple **GROWS** by **READING** **GOD's WORD**, **HEARING** the **HOLY SPIRIT**, and **KEEPING** the **COMMANDMENTS** and **LAWS** of **GOD** to **PLEASE** Him
5. A Disciple **SANCTIFIES** and **CLEANSSES** themselves by **replacing** the **Evil THOUGHTS** of their **IMAGINATION**, their **HEART** with **GOOD THOUGHTS** by **RENEWING** their **MIND** in **GOD's WORD** to be **TRANSFORMED!**

The HEART is the SUM of the THOUGHTS of One's IMAGINATION

What is Discipleship

- A **TRUE Disciple** is a **LEARNER** who is a **PUPIL** seeking to **GROW** in the **WORD** of **GOD** to be **TRANSFORMED** by **REPENTING** (thinking differently) through the **RENEWING** of their **HEART** (the sum of the **THOUGHTS** of **their** IMAGINATION) by **READING** and **STUDYING** the **Holy Scriptures** (the Holy Bible)
- This Scripture provides a summation of **CHRIST's Purpose**
 - **Eph 5:25-27 (KJV)** **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**.



The Journey to Become the Lamb's Wife

- Discipleship is the process of being a **PREPARED VIRGIN**, awaiting the LORD's return
 - **Mat 25:1-13 (KJV)** Then shall the **KINGDOM of HEAVEN** be likened unto **ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went** forth to meet the bridegroom. **2** And **five** of them were **WISE**, and **five** were **FOOLISH**. **3** They that were **FOOLISH** took their lamps, and took no oil with them: **4** But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. **5** While the **BRIDEGROOM** tarried, they all **SLUMBERED** and **SLEPT**. **6** And at **midnight** there was a cry made, Behold, the **BRIDEGROOM** cometh; go ye out to **MEET HIM**.



The Journey to Become the Lamb's Wife

- Discipleship is the process of being a **PREPARED VIRGIN**, awaiting the LORD's return
 - **Mat 25:7-13 (KJV)** 7 Then **all** those **virgins** **arose**, and **trimmed** their lamps. 8 And the **FOOLISH** said unto the **WISE**, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are **GONE OUT**. 9 But the **WISE** answered, saying, *Not so; lest there be **NOT ENOUGH** for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.* 10 And while they **went to buy**, the **BRIDEGROOM** **CAME**; and they that were **READY** **went** in with **HIM** to the **MARRIAGE**: and the door was shut. 11 Afterward came also the **other** virgins, saying, **LORD, LORD, open to us.** 12 But **HE** answered and said, **Verily I say** unto you, I **KNOW YOU NOT**. 13 **WATCH** therefore, for ye **KNOW** **NEITHER** the **day** **NOR** the **hour** wherein the **SON** of **MAN** **COMETH**.

JESUS Called Individuals to Follow Him

- JESUS did **NOT** ask anyone to **ACCEPT** Him!
 - There are **NO** Scriptural writings that teach or define what it looks like to **ACCEPT JESUS CHRIST**.
 - How to **ACCEPT JESUS** is taught from a philosophical perspective
- JESUS called **individuals** to **FOLLOW** Him!
 - JESUS called **individuals** to **FOLLOW** HIM (*Peter and Andrew, James and John, Paul, etc.*)
 - **Discipleship** is the process of an **individual** **becoming** a **Disciple** by **DOING** (**KEEPING**) the **COMMANDMENTS** and **LAWS JESUS SENT** to His **Bride** by the **HOLY GHOST** through the **Apostles** whom He had **CHOSEN**! (Acts 1:1-2)

How Do We Grow?

- **FIRST, one MUST be BORN AGAIN to see the Kingdom of Heaven**
 - **Jhn 3:3 (KJV) JESUS** answered and said unto **him**, **Verily, verily, I say unto thee**, **Except a man be born again**, he **CANNOT** see the Kingdom of **GOD**.
- **NEXT, one MUST READ the WORD of GOD to GROW**
 - **1Pe 2:1-2 (KJV) Wherefore laying aside all malice**, and **all guile**, and **hypocrisies**, and **envies**, and **all evil speakings**, **2 As newborn babes**, desire the **sincere milk** of the **WORD**, **that ye may GROW** thereby:
 - **Mat 4:4 (KJV) But HE** answered and said, **IT IS WRITTEN**, **Man SHALL NOT live by bread alone**, but by **every** **WORD** that **proceedeth out of the mouth of GOD**.

Being Transformed is Essential

- **JESUS gave Paul a commandment that Disciples MUST be Transformed**
 - **Rom 12:1-2 (KJV) I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of GOD, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto GOD, which is your reasonable service. 2 And be NOT conformed to this world: but be ye TRANSFORMED by the RENEWING of your MIND, that ye may PROVE what is that GOOD, and ACCEPTABLE, and PERFECT, WILL of GOD.**
- **Disciples must renew the THOUGHTS of their MINDS (Their HEARTS)**
 - **Eph 4:17-18 (KJV) 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 understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of GOD through the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart:**



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JESUS' WORDS Makes True Disciples



- **Continuing in JESUS' Words makes us True Disciples of CHRIST (St. John 8:30-32)**
 - **Jhn 8:30-32 (KJV) As HE spake these WORDS, many BELIEVED on HIM. 31 Then said JESUS to those Jews which BELIEVED on HIM, IF ye CONTINUE in MY WORD, THEN are ye MY DISCIPLES INDEED; 32 And ye SHALL KNOW the TRUTH, and the TRUTH SHALL MAKE you FREE.**

Discipleship Practices Self-Examination



- Disciples are suppose to practice self-examination and self-control
 - 1Co 11:28-29 (KJV) **But let a man EXAMINE HIMSELF, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup. 29 For he that eateth and drinketh UNWORTHLY, eateth and drinketh DAMNATION to himself, NOT discerning the LORD'S BODY.**
 - 2Co 13:5 (KJV) **EXAMINE YOURSELVES, whether ye be in the FAITH; PROVE your own selves. KNOW ye NOT your own selves, how that JESUS CHRIST is in you, EXCEPT ye be REPROBATES?**
 - 1Co 9:27 (KJV) **But I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection: lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a CASTAWAY.**



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Religion Looks Outward; Discipleship Looks Inwards

- **Religion** focuses **OUTWARDLY**, while **DISCIPLESHIP** focuses **INWARDLY**
 - **Religion** focuses **outwardly** on the observable behaviors of others and tends to tell people what to do (a spirit of judgment)
 - **Discipleship** focuses **inwardly** on the **IMAGINATIONS** and **THOUGHTS** of one's own **HEART** (replacing **evil** with **GOOD**)
- **Discipleship** focuses on **changing** one's **THOUGHTS** and **IMAGINATIONS** through the **RENEWING** of their **MIND** in **GOD's WORD**, so they **can prove** that **GOOD**, **ACCEPTABLE**, and **PERFECT WILL** of **GOD**

Religion JUDGES others; Discipleship JUDGES oneself!

Discipleship Takeaways

1. Understand that individuals who **repent** and are **BORN AGAIN** of the **WATER** and the **SPIRIT** are the **Church**, the **living body of JESUS**, **His Disciples**
2. Understand that the **Holy Scriptures** **never looks or speaks to the Church** as a **religious organization** (NOTE: This can **distort one's understanding** of what it means to be **a Disciple** and **Follower of JESUS CHRIST**)
 1. **The Organized Modern Christian Church** was brought into existence by the **Roman Government**
 2. It is based on the **philosophical thoughts of the ancient world** and it mixes those with Christian views and the Roman Culture
3. Understand that **WE** are to **FOCUS** on **being BORN AGAIN**, **being led by the Holy SPIRIT**, and were **called to be STUDENTS of the Holy Scriptures**



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9. JESUS came to Cleanse His Bride so She could become His Wife

JESUS Came to Cleanse His Bride

JESUS sent the Word to Wash and Cleanse His Bride, the Church (*the Ekklesia*) (Eph. 5:25-27)

- **Husbands**, love your **wives**, **even as**
- **[WHO]** CHRIST also loved the **church**, and
- **[WHAT]** gave Himself **for it**;
- **[WHY]** That He might sanctify and cleanse it
- **[HOW]** with the washing of water by the **WORD**,
- **[WHEN & WHERE]** That He might present it to Himself a glorious church,
- **[What does it look like]** not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but **that it should be** holy and without blemish.

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JESUS sent the Word to Wash and Cleanse His Bride, the Church
(*the Ekklesia*) (Eph. 5:25-27)

However, Those who do not wash in the WORD are "Dirty Babies" who will GROW UP to be "Filthy Brides" unprepared for the LORD's return!



JESUS Cleanses with His WORD

- JESUS cleanses disciples through His Word (St. John 15:1-7)

1. I am the TRUE VINE, and MY FATHER is the HUSBANDMAN.
2. Every branch in ME that beareth not fruit HE taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit, HE PURGETH it, that it may bring forth more fruit.
3. Now ye are CLEAN through the WORD which I have SPOKEN unto you.
4. ABIDE in ME, and I in you. As the branch CANNOT bear fruit of itself, EXCEPT it ABIDE in the VINE; NO more can ye, except ye abide in ME.
5. I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in ME, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for WITHOUT ME ye can do NOTHING.
6. If a man abide NOT in ME, he is cast forth as a branch, and is WITHERED; and men gather them, and CAST them into the FIRE, and they are BURNED.
7. If ye ABIDE in ME, and MY WORDS ABIDE in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
8. Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.

David Explains How to Clean One's Heart

- David requested GOD create in him a clean heart and to renew a right spirit in him (Psa. 51:10)
 10. Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.
- The LORD helped David to understand that it was his responsibility to cleanse himself through the WORD of GOD (Psa. 119:9-11)
 9. BETH. Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.
 10. With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.
 11. Thy word have I hid in mine heart (thoughts), that I might not sin against thee.

How the WORD Cleanses one's Thoughts

- Words cleans by examining the thoughts and **intents** of one's heart
(*Heb. 4:10-14*)
 10. For **he** that is **entered** into **his rest**, **he** also **hath ceased** from **his own works**, as **God** did from **his**.
 11. Let **us labour therefore** to **enter** into **that rest**, lest any man **fall** after the same example of **unbelief**.
 12. For the **word** of **God** is **quick**, and **powerful**, and **sharper** than **any twoedged sword**, **piercing** even to the **dividing asunder** of **soul** and **spirit**, and of the **joints** and **marrow**, and is a **discerner** of the **thoughts** and **intents** of the **heart**.
 13. **Neither** is there **any creature** that is **not manifest** in **his sight**: but **all things** are **naked** and **opened** unto the **eyes of him** with **whom we** have to do.

How the Word Cleanses One's Heart

- Words cleans by serving as a mirror to reveal what is in one's heart (thoughts) (Jam. 1:22-25)

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.



How the Word Brings About Transformation



- Reading cleanses and renews our mind which brings about transformation (*Rom. 12:1-2*)
 1. I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
 2. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that GOOD, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.



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10. Key Truths of Discipleship



Called to Learn

- **JESUS Called His Followers to Learn of Him**
 - **Mat 11:28-30 (KJV)** Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. **29** Take my yoke upon you, and **LEARN** of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. **30** For my yoke *is* easy, and my burden is light.
 - **Php 4:11 (KJV)** **NOT** that I speak in respect of want: for I have **LEARNED**, in whatsoever state I am, *therewith* to be **CONTENT**.
 - **Php 4:9 (KJV)** **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.
 - **2Ti 3:14 (KJV)** **But continue** thou in the things which thou hast **LEARNED** and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast **LEARNED** *them*;

Hunger for Him

- **He that hungereth after righteous, shall be filled**
 - **Mat 5:6 (KJV) Blessed are they which do HUNGER and THIRST after righteousness: for they shall be filled.**
 - **Jhn 6:27 (KJV) Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: for him hath God the Father sealed.**
 - **Jhn 6:51 (KJV) I am the living bread which came down from heaven: if any man eat of this bread, he shall live for ever: and the bread that I will give is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.**
 - **Mat 4:4 (KJV) But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.**



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11. The LORD Charged us to READ the Apostles' Writings to All the Holy Brethren!

Disciples were Commanded to Read

- **JESUS COMMANDED** us to **READ** through Paul (*1 Thess. 5:27*)
 27. I **CHARGE** you by the **LORD** that this **EPISTLE** be **READ** unto all the **holy brethren**.
- Paul commanded that all Disciples needed to read all letters (*Col. 4:16*)
 16. And when this **EPISTLE** is **READ** among you, cause that it be **READ** also in the **church** of the **Laodiceans**; and that ye likewise **READ** the **EPISTLE** from **Laodicea**.
- Paul's expectation was that they had read previous letters (*Eph. 3:3-4*)
 3. How that by revelation he made known unto me [Paul] the MYSTERY; (as I wrote afore in few words,
 4. Whereby, when ye **READ**, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of **Christ**)

Disciples were commanded to Read



- Paul commands that we are to give attendance to reading (*1 Tim. 4:13-16*)
 13. Till 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 the hands** of 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 **them** that **hear** thee.

JESUS Commanded Disciples to READ



- **JESUS**, through John, commanded the READING of Revelation (*Rev. 1:1-4*)
 1. The **Revelation** of **JESUS CHRIST**, which **GOD** gave unto **HIM**, to **show** unto **HIS servants** things which must shortly **come to pass**; and **HE sent** and signified it by **HIS** angel unto **HIS servant John**:
 2. **Who bare record** of the **WORD** of **GOD**, and of the **TESTIMONY** of **JESUS CHRIST**, and of all things that **he SAW**.
 3. **Blessed** is **he** that **READETH**, and **they** that **HEAR** the **WORDS** of this **PROPHECY**, and **KEEP** those things which are **written** therein: for **the time is at hand**.
 4. **John** to the **seven churches which are in Asia**: **Grace** be unto **you**, and **peace**, from **HIM WHICH IS**, and **WHICH WAS**, and **WHICH IS TO COME**; and from the **seven SPIRITS** which are before **HIS THRONE**;

Have we met the Commandment to Read?



- **The elders in the Body of JESUS CHRIST were charged to READ the letters of His Apostles to the Holy Brethern**
 - **Have we READ to the Holy Brethern?**
 - **Have we encouraged them to READ?**
 - **Have we taught New Born Babes in CHRIST to READ**
- **We have many Babes, which explains the current state of the Organized Church**



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Babes in the Body of CHRIST



- Those who are UNSKILLFUL in GOD's WORD are Babes
- The first step is to be Born Again
 - **Jhn 3:3 (KJV)** Jesus answered and said unto him, **Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.**
- Next step is to desire the Milk of the WORD to Grow!
 - **1Pe 2:2 (KJV)** As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

Babes in the Body of CHRIST

- **We are Babes if we are unskillful in the WORD**
 - **Heb 5:12-13 (KJV)** For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which *be* the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of strong meat. **13** For every one that useth milk *is* unskillful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe.
- **Babes cause division and strife in the LORD's Body**
 - **1Co 3:1-3 (KJV)** And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, *even* as unto babes in Christ. **2** I have fed you with milk, and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able *to bear it*, neither yet now are ye able. **3** For ye are yet carnal: for whereas *there is* among you envying, and strife, and divisions, are ye not carnal, and walk as men?



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12. Wisdom Definition of the Church and Bride of JESUS CHRIST

Importance of the Scriptural Definition of Church

- Individuals **MUST UNDERSTAND** the Scriptural definition and meaning of the WORD "Church," or ONE could **easily be deceived** into spending time on activities that do **NOT** allow them to **fulfill** their purpose or **GOD's WILL** for their **lives!**
 - Most individuals perceive "the Church" as a building, an organization, or an institution
 - Most individuals do not understand or live as the Ekklesia which is defined in Scriptures as the Bride and future wife of the Lamb (JESUS CHRIST)

Scriptural Definition of the Church



- **Scriptural Definitions of the Church, the Bride (Ekklesia)**
 - **Act 2:42-47 (KJV)** And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. **43** And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. **44** And all that believed were together, and had all things common; **45** And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all *men*, as every man had need. **46** And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, **47** Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

Scriptural Definition of the Church



- **Scriptural Definitions of the Church, the Bride (Ekklesia)**
 - **1Co 12:28 (KJV)** And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues.
 - **Eph 5:25-27 (KJV)** 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.



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Two Definition of the Church for Discussion Purposes

“Why **two definitions** of **CHURCH** is used in this conference and my book – because the **Ekklesia** (*the Greek word used in the NC for Church*) is **Scripturally** defined as the **Body** of **JESUS CHRIST** and it is **GOOD** if it **follows CHRIST’s will!** (See page 411 in book, “Paul, The Moses of the New Testament Church”)

1. **NT (NC) Church** – is when **men** follow the Scriptural Patterns that define the **Church** as recorded in the **Book of Acts** and **throughout the NC Apostles’ writings (27 books)**. The **NC Church** consists of all the **DISCIPLES** who are the **living stones**, the Bride of **JESUS CHRIST**, that was birthed by the **HOLY GHOST** on the Day of Pentecost
2. **Organized Church** (*also Institutional, Christian, Religious, etc.*) – is when **men** **replace** the **Holy Scriptures** and the **interpretations** **given** by the **Holy Spirit** (the Holy Ghost) with **their own system of beliefs, traditions, and dogma.**



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13. The Scriptures Teach Us “How-To” Accurately Define the HEART!

Scriptural Definition of the Heart



- **It is critical that a Disciple define the heart based on Scriptures**
 - Many individuals think the heart is where they based their decisions on emotional and learned behavior
 - However the Scriptures provide us a true definition of what constitutes the Heart
 - **Understanding what the heart will guide individuals to know “How-To” please GOD;**
 - Disciples were given the commandment to love the LORD our GOD with all heart
 - It is hard if not impossible to love GOD with all our heart if we lack the clearest scriptural understanding

Heart is Defined in Genesis

- GOD's gives the best explanation of the heart why he explained why he destroyed the earth during the days of Noah (*Gen. 6:5-6*)
 5. And God saw that the wickedness (iniquity) of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
 6. And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.
 - This OT Scripture reveals that the thoughts of a individual's imagination is defined by GOD as their heart
 - GOD destroyed mankind because their heart (the thoughts of their imagination) were perpetually evil (every, only, and continually)

What does your thought life look like? GOD see's every thought!

Deeper Look at the Heart in Genesis

Genesis 6:5-9 provides the best definition of the Heart in the Scriptures

5. And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.
6. And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him at his heart.
7. And the LORD said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth; both man, and beast, and the creeping thing, and the fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.
8. But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.
9. These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God.

Man's heart in Scriptures = the **Sum** of the thoughts of his imagination

OC Look at the Heart

- Proverb agrees that the thoughts are the heart (*Prov. 23:7*)
 7. For as **he** thinketh in **his** heart (*thoughts*), **so** is **he**: Eat and drink, **saith** **he** to thee; **but** **his** heart is **not with thee**.
- Heart (our thoughts) are desperately wickedness, but GOD knows (*Jer. 17:9-10*)
 9. The heart (*thoughts*) is **deceitful** **above all things**, and **desperately wicked**: **who** can know it?
 10. **I** the **LORD** **search** the heart (*thoughts*), **I** **try** the reins, even to **give** **every** **man** **according to his ways**, and **according to** the **fruit** of **his doings**.

JESUS Explains Vain Worship

- Jesus explains vain worship (St. Matt. 15:7-9)

7. Ye **hypocrites**, well did **Esaias** prophesy of **you**, saying,

8. This **people draweth nigh** unto **me** with **their mouth**, and **honoureth me** with **their lips**; **but their heart (thoughts) is far from me.**

9. **But in vain they do worship me**, **teaching** for **doctrines** the **commandments of men.**

JESUS Explains the Heart

- **JESUS** explains that **evil thoughts** are what defiles an **Individual** (*St. Matt. 15:17-20*)

17. Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into the draught?

18. But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth from the heart; and they defile the man.

19. For out of the heart proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies:

20. These are the things which defile a man: but to eat with unwashen hands defileth not a man.

Evil Thoughts of our Heart Defile the Temple of our Body



- Paul teaches the Holy Ghost will not dwell in a defiled temple (*the body of an individual who has professed JESUS Christ*) (1 Cor. 3:16-18)

16. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?

17. If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

18. Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise.



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14. Recovering the Definition and Meaning of Discipleship

Wisdom Definition of Discipleship



- **Sharing the definition that the HOLY SPIRIT gave me of Discipleship so we can learn "How-To" become a TRUE DISCIPLE**



Pursuit of Discipleship

- **WISDOM:** If we take away everything that we have tried that has **NOT** worked, what remains to be tried?
 - Most individuals have tried every aspect of the Christian Religion, but the one thing the New Covenant (NC) (in lieu of New Testament, NT) requires – The **READING** and **STUDYING** of the Holy Scriptures
 - **Mat 22:29 (KJV)** Jesus answered and said unto them, **Ye do ERR, NOT knowing the scriptures, NOR the power of GOD.**
 - **Jhn 6:65-69 (KJV)** And he said, **Therefore said I unto you, that NO man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father. 66 From that *time* **many** of his disciples **went back**, and **WALKED NO more with HIM. 67 Then said JESUS unto the twelve, Will ye **also** go away? 68 Then Simon Peter answered HIM, Lord, to whom shall we go? THOU hast the **WORDS of ETERNAL LIFE**. 69 And we believe and are sure that THOU art that **CHRIST, the SON of the living GOD.******



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15. Satan's Focus is to Steal GOD's WORD so He can Kill and Destroy You

Satan wants to Steal GOD's WORD

- Focus on Satan's Steal of the WORD in the parable of the Sower and The Seed
 - Mrk 4:13-17 (KJV) And he said unto them, **KNOW** ye **NOT** this parable? and how then will ye **KNOW** all parables? 14 The sower **SOWETH** the **WORD**. 15 And these are they by the **WAY SIDE**, where the **WORD** is **SOWN**; but when they have **HEARD**, **Satan** cometh **immediately**, and **TAKETH AWAY** the **WORD** that was **SOWN** in their **HEARTS**. 16 And these are they likewise which are **SOWN** on **STONY GROUND**; who, when they have **HEARD** the **WORD**, **immediately** **RECEIVE IT** with gladness; 17 And have **NO ROOT** in themselves, and so endure but for a **time**: **afterward**, when **affliction** or **persecution** **ariseth** for the **WORD's** sake, **immediately** they are offended.

Satan wants to Steal GOD's WORD

- **JESUS' Description of the Devil and His Purpose**

- **Jhn 10:10 (KJV)** The **THIEF** cometh **NOT**, but for to **STEAL**, and to **KILL**, and to **DESTROY**: I am come that they might have **LIFE**, and that they might have **IT** more abundantly.

- **The Devil is a Liar and the Father of ALL those who Lie**

- **Jhn 8:43-47 (KJV)** Why do ye **NOT** understand **MY** speech? *even* because ye **CANNOT HEAR MY WORD**. 44 Ye are of *your* **FATHER** the **DEVIL**, and the **LUSTS** of your **FATHER** ye *will do*. **HE** was a **MURDERER** from the beginning, and abode **NOT** in the **TRUTH**, because there is **NO TRUTH** in him. When **HE** speaketh a **LIE**, **HE** speaketh of **his own**: for **HE** is a **LIAR**, and the **FATHER** of **IT**. 45 And because I tell you the **TRUTH**, ye believe **ME NOT**. 46 Which of you convinceth **ME** of **SIN**? And if I say the **TRUTH**, why do ye **NOT** believe **ME**? 47 He that is of **GOD** **HEARETH** **GOD'S WORDS**: ye therefore **HEAR** *them* **NOT**, because ye are **NOT** of **GOD**.

Examples of Satan Stealing GOD'S WORD



- **Examples of Satan Stealing GOD'S WORDS (GOD'S WORDS are His Commandments and Laws to govern our lives)**
 - Adam-Eve – Ate fruit from forbidden tree - DIED (*Gen. 2:16-17, 3:1-8*)
 - Esau-Jacob – Birthright sold over hunger – LOST BIRTHRIGHT (*Gen. 25:29-34*)
 - Saul – disobedient sacrifice – rejected by GOD (*1 Sam. 15:1-35*)
 - **1Sa 15:26 (KJV)** And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast **rejected the WORD** of the **LORD**, and the **LORD** hath **rejected thee** from being king over Israel.
 - Lot's Wife – Turned back – became a pillar of salt (*Gen. 19:23-29*)
 - **Gen 19:26 (KJV)** But his wife **looked back** from behind him, and **she became a pillar of salt.**



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16. The Origins of the Christian Religion, Its Philosophy, and the Hiding of GOD's WORD

Origins of the Modern Christian Religion



The Establishment of Modern Christian Religion and Church after JESUS died was difficult for the following three (3) main reasons based on this article.

(Quoted from the University of Wyoming (UW) Religion Today: How Constantine Created the Christian Church, February 4, 2015)

1. “First, travel and communication were difficult at that time”
2. “Second, there was **little agreement about Christianity’s beliefs and teachings**, the nature of Jesus and God, what writings were sacred, or even how to worship.”
3. “Third, **imperial persecutions of Christians** happened every few decades.”
 - a) “These **drove Christianity underground** and **caused many Christians to turn away.**”
 - b) “But almost worse were the **rifts that appeared afterward** between **Christians who kept the faith** and those who **APOSTATIZED to SAVE their LIVES**, both of whom **STILL CONSIDERED THEMSELVES CHRISTIANS.**”

<https://www.uwyo.edu/uw/news/2015/02/uw-religion-today-how-constantine-created-the-christian-church.html>

Origins of the Modern Christian Church

Constantine I established the Modern Christian Church

1. “But if the **founding of the church** is defined as the **first body of CHRISTIAN LEADERS** who could **determine accurate Christian belief** and **establish with sound authority** their **DEFINITION of CHRISTIANITY** across the **Mediterranean world**, then the **SINGLE MAN MOST** responsible for that achievement was **Constantine I, the emperor of Rome.**”
2. “Although the **CREATION** and **ORGANIZATION** of the **CHURCH** was **clearly a process that took place over several decades**, the **founding event** was the **Council of Nicea in 325 A.D.**”

The Religion of Christianity is Built on Philosophy instead of the WORD of GOD

Origins of the Modern Christian Church

Constantine I made Christianity a LEGAL religion

1. “Constantine appeared on the scene in the midst of the **so-called Great Persecution**, begun in 303 A.D., under Emperor Diocletian”
2. “By 305 A.D., the **problems caused** by the **persecution** were overtaken by those of determining Diocletian’s successor”
3. “More than **six different generals** would fight to become the emperor. **Constantine stood out** because he **became a Christian** and **unabashedly made Jesus the patron of his army**. By 313 A.D., just two contenders remained, Constantine and Licinius”
4. “The two **jointly issued the Edict of Milan**, which **made CHRISTIANITY a LEGAL RELIGION** and **officially ended the persecution**”
5. “But, it was **not until 324 A.D.** that **Constantine** finally became the sole ruler of the Roman Empire”

<https://www.uwyo.edu/uw/news/2015/02/uw-religion-today-how-constantine-created-the-christian-church.html>

Philosophy is the Study of Ideas

- **Philosophy is the systematic study of ideas, a reasoned pursuit of fundamental truths, a quest for a comprehensive understanding of the world, a study of principles of conduct**

(UTEP: <https://www.utep.edu/liberalarts/philosophy/resources/student-resources/a-brief-guide.html#>)

- **Herod asked JESUS, “What is Truth” (Philosophical question)**
 - **Jhn 18:37-38 (KJV) Pilate therefore said unto him, Art thou a king then? Jesus answered, **Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the TRUTH HEARETH my voice. 38** Pilate saith unto him, **What is TRUTH?** And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault *at all*.**

Saint Augustine, Philosophical Father of the Modern Christian Church

Augustine was Born: November 13, 354 A.D. / Died: August 28, 430 A.D.

1. He **adapted** **CLASSICAL THOUGHT** to **CHRISTIAN TEACHING** and created a **POWERFUL THEOLOGICAL SYSTEM** of **LASTING INFLUENCE**
2. He also **shaped the PRACTICE** of **BIBLICAL EXEGESIS** and helped lay the foundation for much of medieval and **MODERN CHRISTIAN THOUGHT**
3. In **Roman Catholicism** he is **formally recognized** as a **doctor of the church**
4. More than **five million words** of his writings survive
5. **Most INFLUENTIAL** adaptation of the **ANCIENT PLATONIC TRADITION** with **CHRISTIAN IDEAS** that **EVER OCCURRED** in the **LATIN CHRISTIAN WORLD**
6. His particular **SYNTHESIS** of **CHRISTIAN, ROMAN, and PLATONIC TRADITIONS** defined the **terms** for much later **TRADITION** and **DEBATE**.

Source: <https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Augustine>

Platonic Traditions (from the Greeks)



The term "Platonism" is so widely used in modern scholarship that it is difficult to determine its meaning precisely as applicable either to a **particular group of thinkers** or to a **specific COLLECTION of DOCTRINES**. **Ancient sources frequently describe "PLATONISTS"** as those **PHILOSOPHERS** who further developed the known or presumed teaching of **PLATO HIMSELF** and "**ACADEMICS**" as those who pursued the **SKEPTICAL METHODOLOGY** believed to have been **INITIATED** by the **SOCRATES of PLATO's EARLIER DIALOGUES**. However, the substantive "**Platonism**" seems first to occur in **scholarly literature** only around the beginning of the eighteenth century when it was used to **characterize DOCTRINES** that were **NOT ONLY DERRIVED** from but also **COMBINED WITH PLATO'S OWN TEACHINGS** by later **EXEGETES**.

<https://www.encyclopedia.com/humanities/encyclopedias-almanacs-transcripts-and-maps/platonism-and-platonic-tradition>

Christianity Forbade the Laity to Read



1. Decree of the Council of Toulouse (1229 C.E.): "We **prohibit** also **that the laity should be permitted** to have the books of the Old or New Testament; but we **most strictly forbid** their **having any translation** of these books."
2. Ruling of the Council of Tarragona of 1234 C.E: "**No one may possess** the books of the Old and New Testaments in the **Romance language**, and **if anyone possesses them he must turn them over** to the **local bishop** within eight days after promulgation of this decree, so that **they may be burned...**"

Christianity Forbade the Laity to Read



- 3. Proclamations at the Ecumenical Council of Constance in 1415 C.E.: Oxford professor, and theologian John Wycliffe, was the first (1380 C.E.) to translate the New Testament into **English** to "...helpeth Christian men to study the Gospel in that tongue in which they know best Christ's sentence." For this "heresy" Wycliffe was posthumously condemned by Arundel, the archbishop of Canterbury. By the Council's decree "Wycliffe's bones were exhumed and publicly burned and the ashes were thrown into the Swift River."**
- 4. Fate of William Tyndale in 1536 C.E.: William Tyndale was burned at the stake for translating the Bible into **English**. According to Tyndale, the Church forbid owning or reading the Bible to control and restrict the teachings and to enhance their own power and importance.**

Scriptures vs. Philosophical Doctrines

No.	Holy Scriptures (TRUTHS)	Roman Government Catholic Church Dogma
1	<u>GOD</u> and <u>JESUS</u> are in Heaven . <u>JESUS CHRIST</u> is the head of His Body, the Church (<i>Acts 7:55-56; Col. 1:18-20</i>)	Pope is said to be direct successor of St Peter ; Pope has Papal infallibility from CHRIST (GOD on the earth)
2	Baptism (immersed) in water / <u>HOLY GHOST</u> / BORN AGAIN into the Kingdom of GOD (<i>St. Matt. 28:18-20; St. Mark 16:16; Acts 1:5</i>)	Be Sprinkled at birth and later receive the Roman Catechism to become a member of the Catholic Church
3	Confess your sins to <u>GOD</u> in Heaven (<i>1 John 1:5-10</i>)	Confess your sins to the Priest
4	Disciple's <u>Father</u> is in Heaven . Call no man Father on the earth (<i>St. Matt. 6:9, 23:9</i>)	Call the leaders of the Catholic Church Fathers
5	Disciple's body is the temple (<i>1 Cor. 3:16-17</i>)	Rebuilt the Temple and called them cathedrals
6	Disciples are a Royal Priesthood (<i>1 Peter 2:5, 9</i>)	Only the catholic church can ordain a priest
7	Disciples are saints (sanctified, set apart) (<i>1 Cor. 1:2</i>)	Catholic Church is the only organization that can canonize individuals as saints
8	Pray to the Father in <u>JESUS'</u> Name (<i>St. John 14:13-14, 15:16, 16:23-26</i>)	Pray to Mary and the other Saints
9	Repent of your sins (<i>St. Matt. 3:2, 14:17; St. Mark 6:12; St Luke: 13:3-5; Acts 2:28-39</i>)	Pay indulgences

Paul Warns Against Philosophy

- Paul warns disciples to be beware of being spoiled through philosophy and vain deceit after the traditions of men and not after CHRIST
 - Col 2:8-9 (KJV) **Beware** lest any man **spoil you** through **philosophy** and **vain deceit**, after the **tradition of men**, after the **rudiments of the world**, and **not** after **Christ**. **9** For in **HIM** dwelleth all the **fulness** of the **Godhead** **bodily**.

Disciples are to DWELL in the WORD which is CHRIST!

Barriers to Transformation

- **EXPERTS**

- Many have been treating religious leaders as **EXPERTS** in the same manner that those in the OC had to go to **Priests in the Temple or Prophets (men and women of GOD)** to receive a **WORD!**

- **AVOIDANCE**

- There is reluctance, from the pupil's perspective, to have a discussion in regards to church doctrine; a hesitancy because questioning could be perceived as a personal attack instead of an attempt to obtain clarification on what is being read in the Holy Scriptures or perceived hypocrisy

- **CHRISTIANS versus DISCIPLES**

- Most individuals are content being labeled as a Christian;
- They lack awareness or a desire to grow in the knowledge of the Scriptures

Experts is the function of Religion

- In the OC, individuals went to the Temple in Jerusalem to the priest they sought out the Prophets of GOD
- In the NC, the LORD wrote his laws on everyone's heart
 - **Heb 8:11 (KJV)** And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: **for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.**
 - **Heb 10:16 (KJV)** This *is* the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, **I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;**

The Expert Syndrome is when we primarily seek religious experts instead of searching the Scriptures!

Rediscover the Holy Scriptures

- Living in the **END DAYS** since the outpouring of the HOLY GHOST on the Day of Pentecost
 - **GOD** poured out of His **SPIRIT** on all flesh in the **LAST DAYS** (Acts 2:16-21)
- **FOCUSES** on Disciples as the Church of JESUS CHRIST
 - **Followers** must become “**STUDENTS**” or “**PUPILS**” of the **Holy Scriptures**
 - **Followers** must seek to “**BE LED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT**”
 - **Followers** must understand that they “**ARE** the **NC CHURCH** and **BRIDE of JESUS CHRIST**”

LEARN TO SEEK THE TRUTH AND LISTEN TO THE HOLY SPIRIT!



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17. Wisdom Questions to Guide Your Study so You can Grow and be Transformed

Wisdom Questions to Guide Your Study?

- The **LORD** laid these wisdom questions in our hearts to share along with the actions **disciples** should be doing:

1. What is written?

- **READ** to know what GOD SAID (*1 Pet. 2:2*)

2. What does it mean?

- **ASK** their **HEAVENLY FATHER** and **LISTEN** to **HEAR** the **HOLY SPIRIT** who will reveal, "**What does it mean?**" (*St. James 1:5-8; Rev. 2-3*)

3. What does it look like?

- **ASK** the **FATHER** and **LISTEN** to **HEAR** the **HOLY SPIRIT** who will SHOW you what it looks like (*St. John 16:12-13*)

4. How do I do it (keep it)?

- **CHANGE** the **THOUGHTS** of their **IMAGINATION**, which will **RENEW** their **minds** and behavior (Changes WALK by replacing **EVIL THOUGHTS** with **GOOD!**) (*Rom. 12:1-2, Eph. 4:17-32*)

Three (3) Steps to Transformation

- JESUS has John write the three (3) steps required to experience Transformation
 - Rev 1:3 (KJV) **BLESSED** is he that **READETH**, and they that **HEAR** the **WORDS** of this **PROPHECY**, and **KEEP** those things which are **WRITTEN** therein: for the time is at hand.
 1. **READ** = Disciples **MUST** begin to **READ** the **WORD** so they can **KNOW** "What is **WRITTEN**"
 2. **HEAR** = Disciples **MUST** have an **EAR** to **HEAR** what the **HOLY SPIRIT** is saying to the **BRIDE** (**FOLLOWERS** of **JESUS CHRIST**)
 3. **KEEP** = Disciples **MUST** become **DOERS** of the **WORD** of **GOD** so they can become **SANCTIFIED** (**CLEANSED, HOLY**)



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18. JESUS Called Individuals to FOLLOW Him

JESUS Called Disciples to Follow Him



- The HOLY SPIRIT spoke to me that JESUS did NOT ask individuals to **ACCEPT HIM** – **Apodechomai** (*ap-od-ekh'-om-ahee*) From G575 and G1209; to **take fully**, that is, **welcome (persons), approve (things): - accept, receive (gladly).**

Q accep* Exclude Words

All Words Any Words Phrase Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

Bible OT NT Eph

27 Verses Found, 28 Matches

Luk 4:19 To preach the **accept**able year of the Lord.

Luk 4:24 And he said, Verily I say unto you, No prophet is **accept**ed in his own country.

Luk 20:21 And they asked him, saying, Master, we know that thou sayest and teachest rightly, neither **accept**est thou the person of any, but teachest the way of God truly:

Act 10:35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is **accept**ed with him.

Act 24:3 We **accept** it always, and in all places, most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.

Rom 12:1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, **accept**able unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Rom 12:2 And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and **accept**able, and perfect, will of God.

JESUS Called Disciples to Follow Him

- JESUS Called individuals to **FOLLOW** HIM – **akoloutheō** (*ak-ol-oo-theh'-o*)
From G1 (as a particle of union) and κέλευθος keleuthos (a *road*); properly to *be in the same way with*, that is, to *accompany* (specifically as a disciple): - follow, **reach**.

Q follow

Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

133 Verses Found, 138 Matches

Mat 4:19 And ^{G2532} he saith ^{G3004} unto them, ^{G846} **Follow** ^{G1205} ^{G3694} me, ^{G3450} and ^{G2532} I will make ^{G4160} you ^{G5209} fishers ^{G231} of men. ^{G444}

Mat 4:20 And ^{G1161} they ^{G3588} straightway ^{G2112} left ^{G863} their nets, ^{G1350} and **followed** ^{G190} him. ^{G846}

Mat 4:22 And ^{G1161} they immediately left ^{G863} ^{G2112} the ^{G3588} ship ^{G4143} and ^{G2532} their ^{G848} father, ^{G3962} and ^{G2532} **followed** ^{G190} him. ^{G846}

Mat 4:25 And ^{G2532} there **followed** ^{G190} him ^{G846} great ^{G4183} multitudes of people ^{G3793} from ^{G575} Galilee, ^{G1056} and ^{G2532} from Decapolis, ^{G1179} and ^{G2532} from Jerusalem, ^{G2414} and ^{G2532} from Judaea, ^{G2449} and ^{G2532} from beyond ^{G4008} Jordan. ^{G2446}

Mat 8:1 When ^{G1161} he ^{G846} was come down ^{G2597} from ^{G575} the ^{G3588} mountain, ^{G3735} great ^{G4183} multitudes ^{G3793} **followed** ^{G190} him. ^{G846}

Mat 8:10 When ^{G1161} Jesus ^{G2424} heard ^{G191} it, he marvelled, ^{G2296} and ^{G2532} said ^{G2036} to them that **followed**, ^{G190} Verily ^{G281} I say ^{G3004} unto you, ^{G5213} I have not found ^{G2147} so great ^{G5118} faith, ^{G4102} no, not ^{G3761} in ^{G1722} Israel. ^{G2474}

JESUS Calls Individuals to Follow Him



- JESUS called individuals to FOLLOW Him (Peter & Andrew and James & John)
 - **Mat 4:18-20 (KJV)** And **JESUS**, **WALKING** by the **sea of Galilee**, saw **two** brethren, **Simon CALLED Peter**, and **Andrew** his brother, **casting** a net into the **sea**: for they were **fishers**. **19** And **HE** saith unto them, **FOLLOW ME**, and **I will make you fishers of men**. **20** And **they straightway** *left their* nets, and **FOLLOWED HIM**.
 - **Mat 4:21-22 (KJV)** And going on from thence, **HE** saw other **two** brethren, **James the son of Zebedee**, and **John** his brother, in a ship with **Zebedee** their father, mending their nets; and **HE CALLED** them. **22** And **they immediately** *left* the **ship** and their father, and **FOLLOWED HIM**.

JESUS' Call to Follow as His Disciple



- JESUS provided the following **COMMANDMENT** for those seeking to **COME AFTER HIM**
 - **Mat 16:24-26 (KJV)** Then **said** JESUS unto **HIS** disciples, **If any man will COME after ME, let him DENY himself, and TAKE UP his cross, and FOLLOW ME. 25 For whosoever WILL SAVE his life SHALL LOSE IT: and whosoever WILL LOSE his LIFE for MY SAKE SHALL FIND IT. 26 For what is a man PROFITED, if he shall gain the whole world, and LOSE HIS OWN SOUL? or what SHALL a man GIVE in EXCHANGE for HIS SOUL?**
- JESUS is calling for individuals to **FOLLOW HIM** and to become **HIS LEARNERS** by being **PUPILS** of the **WORD**



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19. The Significance of JESUS' Establishment of the New Covenant (NC)

A Covenant and NOT a Testament

- In the OC, Covenant - translated from the Hebrew word, b^erîyth *ber-eeth'*
 - From **H1262** (in the sense of *cutting* (like H1254)); a *compact* (because made by passing between *pieces of flesh*): - confederacy, [con-]feder[-ate], *covenant*, league.
 - b^erîyth appears **284** times in **264** verses (**ALL** in the OC)

Q H1285

All Words Any Words Phrase Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Bible **OT** NT Gen Omit Diacritics

264 Verses Found, 284 Matches

Gen 6:18 But with ^{H854} thee will I establish ^{H6965 (H853)} my covenant; ^{H1285} and thou shalt come ^{H935} into ^{H413} the ark, ^{H8392} thou, ^{H859} and thy sons, ^{H1121} and thy wife, ^{H802} and thy sons' ^{H1121} wives ^{H802} with ^{H854} thee.

Gen 9:9 And I, ^{H589} behold, ^{H2009} I establish ^{H6965 (H853)} my covenant ^{H1285} with ^{H854} you, and with ^{H854} your seed ^{H2233} after ^{H310} you;

Q H1285

All Words Any Words Phrase Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Bible OT **NT** Gen Omit Diacritics

KJV Search Results

0 Verses Found, 0 Matches

A Covenant and NOT a Testament

- In the NC, Testament & Covenant translated from one Greek Word
 - **diathēkē** (*dee-ath-ay'-kay*) From G1303; properly *a disposition*, that is, (specifically) *a contract* (especially a *devisory will*): - **covenant, testament** - **diathēke** appears **ONLY** in the NC 33 times in 33 verses

Q G1242 Exclude Words

All Words Any Words Phrase Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

Bible OT NT Luk

30 Verses Found, 33 Matches

Mat 26:28 For^{G1063} this^{G5124} is^{G2076} my^{G3450} blood^{G129} of^(G3588) the^{G3588} new^{G2537} testament,^{G1242} which is shed^{G1632} for^{G4012} many^{G4183} for^{G1519} the remission^{G859} of sins.^{G266}

Mrk 14:24 And^{G2532} he said^{G2036} unto them,^{G846} This^{G5124} is^{G2076} my^{G3450} blood^{G129} of^(G3588) the^{G3588} new^{G2537} testament,^{G1242} which is shed^{G1632} for^{G4012} many.^{G4183}

Luk 1:72 To perform^{G4160} the mercy^{G1656} promised to^{G3326} our^{G2257} fathers,^{G3962} and^{G2532} to remember^{G3415} his^{G848} holy^{G40} covenant,^{G1242}

Q testament Exclude Words

All Words Any Words Phrase Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

Bible OT NT Job

13 Verses Found, 14 Matches

Mat 26:28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.

Mrk 14:24 And he said unto them, This is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many.

Luk 22:20 Likewise also the cup after supper, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you.

1Co 11:25 After the same manner also he took the cup, when he had supped, saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of me.

Q covenant Exclude Words

All Words Any Words Phrase Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

Bible OT NT Job

18 Verses Found, 20 Matches

Luk 1:72 To perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember his holy covenant;

Act 3:25 Ye are the children of the prophets, and of the covenant which God made with our fathers, saying unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.

Act 7:8 And he gave him the covenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begat Isaac, and circumcised him the eighth day; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat the twelve patriarchs.

Rom 11:27 For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

Gal 3:15 Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth thereto.

JESUS Established a New Covenant

- JESUS Came to Establish a **New Covenant**, **NOT** a **New Testament**
 - Heb 8:6-8 (KJV) **But now** hath HE obtained a **more excellent ministry**, **by how** much also HE is the **MEDIATOR** of a **better COVENANT**, which was **established** upon **better PROMISES**. **7 For if that FIRST COVENANT** had been **faultless**, **then** should **NO** place have been sought for the **SECOND**. **8 For finding FAULT** with them, HE saith, **Behold**, the **days** come, saith the LORD, when I will make a **NEW COVENANT** with the **house of Israel** and with the **house of Judah**:
 - Heb 8:13 (KJV) **In that** HE saith, A **NEW COVENANT**, he hath made the **FIRST OLD**. Now **that** which **decayeth** and **waxeth old** is ready to **vanish away**.



JESUS Established a New Covenant

- The first covenant has a worldly sanctuary
 - Heb 9:1 (KJV) Then verily the **FIRST COVENANT** had also ordinances of **divine service**, and a **worldly sanctuary**.
- CHRIST established a new covenant in His Blood
 - Heb 9:11-14 (KJV) **But CHRIST** being come an **HIGH PRIEST** of **GOOD things to come**, by a **greater and more perfect tabernacle**, **NOT** made with hands, **that is** to say, **NOT** of this building; **12 NEITHER** by the **BLOOD** of goats and calves, but by **HIS own blood** HE entered in **ONCE** into the **HOLY PLACE**, **having obtained eternal redemption for us**. **13 For if** the **BLOOD** of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the **unclean**, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: **14 How much more shall** the **BLOOD** of CHRIST, **WHO through** the **ETERNAL SPIRIT** offered **HIMSELF without spot** to GOD, **purge your CONSCIENCE** from **dead works** to **serve** the **living GOD**?

JESUS Established a New Covenant



- A testament is of no effect while a person lives; it requires the death of the testator before the testament takes effect
 - **Heb 9:15-18 (KJV)** And **for this** cause **HE** is the **MEDIATOR** of the **new testament**, that **by means** of **death**, for the **REDEMPTION** of the **transgressions** *that were* under the **first** testament, **they** which are **called** **might receive** the **promise** of **eternal inheritance**. **16 For where** a testament **is**, **there** **MUST** also of **NECESSITY** be the **DEATH** of the **testator**. **17 For a testament is** of **force** **after** **men** are **DEAD**: **otherwise it** is of **NO** **strength** at all **while** the **testator liveth**. **18 Whereupon** **NEITHER** the **first** testament was **dedicated** **WITHOUT BLOOD**.

JESUS Established a New Covenant



- JESUS established the Covenant with His own Blood
 - Heb 10:28-29 (KJV) He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: 29 Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the SON of GOD, and hath counted the BLOOD of the COVENANT, wherewith he was SANCTIFIED, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the SPIRIT of GRACE?



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20. The NC Laws and Commandments

The NC Laws and Commandments

- **JESUS, AFTER HE had ASCENDED back into Heaven, SENT COMMANDMENTS to the **Apostles** HE had chosen **THROUGH** the **HOLY GHOST****
- **Act 1:1-2 (KJV)** The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus, of all that **JESUS** began both to **DO** and **TEACH**, **2** **Until** the **day** in which **HE** was **TAKEN UP**, **AFTER** that **HE THROUGH** the **HOLY GHOST** had **GIVEN COMMANDMENTS UNTO** the **apostles** **whom HE HAD CHOSEN**:

Commandment in the NC

- Command/Commandments in NC **175** times in **164** verses

Q command ⓧ Q Exclude Words

Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

169 Verses Found, 175 Matches

Mat 4:3 And when the tempter came to him, he said, If thou be the Son of God, **command** that these stones be made bread.

Mat 5:19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least **commandments**, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

1Co 7:6 But I speak this by permission, *and* not of **commandment**.

1Co 7:10 And unto the married I **command**, yet not I, but the Lord, Let not the wife depart from *her* husband:

1Co 7:19 Circumcision is nothing, and uncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the **commandments** of God.

1Co 7:25 Now concerning virgins I have no **commandment** of the Lord: yet I give my judgment, as one that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful.

1Co 14:34 Let your women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but *they are* **commanded** to be under obedience, as also saith the law.

1Co 14:37 If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things that I write unto you are the **commandments** of the Lord.

2Co 4:6 For God, who **commanded** the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to *give* the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2Co 8:8 I speak not by **commandment**, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to prove the sincerity of your love.

Eph 2:15 Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, *even* the law of **commandments** *contained* in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, *so* making peace;

Eph 6:2 Honour thy father and mother; (which is the first **commandment** with promise;)

Col 2:22 Which all are to perish with the using;) after the **commandments** and doctrines of men?



JESUS' Gave the Greatest Commandment



- JESUS defines the **GREATEST** Commandment (NOTE: the LAWS are **contained** within the COMMANDMENTS)
 - **Mat 22:35-40 (KJV)** **Then one** of them, which was a lawyer, asked HIM a question, tempting HIM, and saying, 36 MASTER, which is the great **COMMANDMENT** in the LAW? 37 JESUS said unto him, Thou shalt **LOVE** the LORD thy GOD with **ALL** thy **HEART**, and with **ALL** thy **SOUL**, and with **ALL** thy **MIND**. 38 This is the **FIRST** and great **COMMANDMENT**. 39 And the **SECOND** is like unto IT, Thou shalt **LOVE** thy neighbour as thyself. 40 On these **TWO** COMMANDMENTS hang all the LAW and the PROPHETS.

Paul's Correlation of NC and OC Laws



- Paul explains how the OC Commandments are fulfilled in the NC Laws
 - Rom 13:8-10 (KJV) Owe **NO** man **any thing**, but to **LOVE** one **another**: for he that **LOVETH** another hath **fulfilled** the **LAW**. 9 For **this**, Thou shalt **NOT** commit **ADULTERY**, Thou shalt **NOT** **KILL**, Thou shalt **NOT** **STEAL**, Thou shalt **NOT** **BEAR FALSE WITNESS**, Thou shalt **NOT** **COVET**; and **if there** be **any** other **COMMANDMENT**, **it is** briefly comprehended in this saying, **namely**, Thou shalt **LOVE** thy neighbour **as thyself**. 10 **LOVE** worketh **NO** ill to his neighbour: **therefore** **LOVE** is the **fulfilling** of the **LAW**.

Peter Gives JESUS' Commandments



- Peters speaks of the WORDS of the Holy Prophets and the Commandments of the LORD's Apostles
 - 2Pe 3:1-2 (KJV) This **second** epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in *both* which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance: 2 That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:



Paul Provides the Purpose of the LORD's Commandments

- Paul gave us the LORD's Commandments to teach us "How-To Walk"
 - 1Th 4:1-6 (KJV) Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and **EXHORT** you by the LORD JESUS, that as ye have received of us **HOW** ye **OUGHT** to **WALK** and to **PLEASE** GOD, so ye would abound more and more. 2 For ye **KNOW** what **COMMANDMENTS** we gave you by the LORD JESUS. 3 For this is the **WILL** of GOD, even your **SANCTIFICATION**, that ye should **ABSTAIN** from **fornication**: 4 That every one of you should **KNOW** how to possess his **vessel** in **SANCTIFICATION** and **honour**; 5 **NOT** in the **lust** of **concupiscence**, even as the **Gentiles** which know **NOT** God: 6 That **NO** man go beyond and **defraud** his brother in any matter: because that the LORD is the **AVENGER** of all such, as we also have **forewarned** you and **testified**.

John Gives JESUS' Commandments



- **John Gives Commandments**

- **1Jn 2:3-6 (KJV) And hereby we do know that we know HIM, if we keep HIS commandments. 4 He that saith, I know HIM, and keepeth not HIS COMMANDMENTS, is a LIAR, and the TRUTH is NOT in him. 5 But whoso keepeth his WORD, in him verily is the LOVE of GOD PERFECTED: hereby KNOW we that we are in him. 6 He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to WALK, even as HE WALKED.**
- **WISDOM: “You can’t be like someone, if you do not WALK with them”**

John Gives Commandments

- John continues to give commandments
 - 1Jn 2:7-10 (KJV) Brethren, I write **NO** new **COMMANDMENT** unto you, but an **old COMMANDMENT** which ye had from the beginning. The **old COMMANDMENT** is the **WORD** which ye have heard from the beginning. 8 Again, a **new COMMANDMENT** I write unto you, which thing is true in him and in you: because the **darkness** is **past**, and the **true light** now **shineth**. 9 He that saith he is in the **light**, and **hateth his brother**, is in **darkness** even until **now**. 10 He that **loveth his brother** **abideth** in the **light**, and there is **NONE** occasion of **stumbling** in him.



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21. The Kingdom of Heaven is Built on GOD'S WORD – “What is Written”

Adam and Eve Misspoke the WORD

- **GOD gave Adam a commandment in the Garden**
 - **Gen 2:16-17 (KJV)** And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: **17** But of the tree of the knowledge of GOOD and **EVIL**, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.
- **Eve and Adam - tempted but did not follow “What was written!”**
 - **Gen 3:2-3 (KJV)** And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden: **3** But of the fruit of the tree which *is* in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

Eve and Adam did not follow GOD’S WORD EXACTLY as Spoken and Sinned!

The World was Framed by GOD's WORD

- **GOD spoke the world into existence!**
 - **Gen 1:1-3 (KJV)** In the **beginning** God created the **heaven** and the **earth**. **2** And the **earth** was **without form**, and **void**; and **darkness** *was upon* the **face of the deep**. And the **Spirit of God** **moved** upon the **face of the waters**. **3** And **God said**, **Let there be light**: and there was light.
- **Word framed by the WORD of GOD**
 - **Heb 11:3 (KJV)** **Through faith we understand** that the **worlds** were framed by the **WORD** of **GOD**, so that **things** which are seen were **NOT** made of **things** which do appear.

JESUS is the WORD

- JESUS is the WORD, and All things were made by HIM
 - Jhn 1:1-3 (KJV) In the beginning was the **WORD**, and the **WORD** was with **GOD**, and the **WORD** was **GOD**. 2 The **SAME** was in the **BEGINNING** with **GOD**. 3 **ALL** things were made by **HIM**; and without **HIM** was **NOT** any thing made that was made.
- The WORD became FLESH (JESUS) and WALKED among us!
 - Jhn 1:14 (KJV) And the **WORD** was made **FLESH**, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld **HIS glory**, the **glory** as of the **only** **BEGOTTEN** of the **FATHER**,) full of grace and truth.

JESUS spoke “What was Written”

- **JESUS defeated Tempter by QUOTING , “IT IS WRITTEN!”**
 - **Mat 4:1 (KJV)** Then was **JESUS** led up of the **SPIRIT** into the wilderness to be **tempted** of the **devil**.
 - **Mat 4:4 (KJV)** But he answered and said, **IT IS WRITTEN**, Man shall **NOT** live by bread **alone**, but by **EVERY WORD** that proceedeth out of the mouth of **GOD**.
 - **Mat 4:7 (KJV)** Jesus said unto him, **IT IS WRITTEN AGAIN**, Thou shalt **NOT TEMPT** the **LORD** thy **GOD**.
 - **Mat 4:10 (KJV)** Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: **FOR IT IS WRITTEN**, Thou shalt **worship** the **LORD** thy **GOD**, and **HIM ONLY** shalt thou **SERVE**.

Disciples are called to build their lives on “What is Written!”

JESUS Proclaimed “It is Written”

- “IT IS WRITTEN” - Holy Scriptures a total of 80 times in 80 Verses

Q It is written

Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

80 Verses Found, 80 Matches

Jos 8:31 As Moses the servant of the LORD commanded the children of Israel, as **it is written** in the book of the law of Moses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man hath lift up *any* iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings.

2Sa 1:18 (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah *the use of* the bow: behold, *it is* written in the book of Jasher.)

- “IT IS WRITTEN” – NC a total of 63 times in 63 Verses

Q It is written

Partial Match
 Case-sensitive
 Omit Diacritics

63 Verses Found, 63 Matches

Mat 2:5 And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus **it is written** by the prophet,

Mat 4:4 But he answered and said, **It is written**, **Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.**

GOD's WORD Never Pass Away



- **The WORD of GOD is Eternal**
 - **Mat 24:35 (KJV) Heaven and earth shall pass away, but MY WORDS shall NOT pass away.**
 - **Mat 5:17-18 (KJV) Think not that I AM come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am NOT come to destroy, but to fulfil. 18 For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, **one** jot or **one** tittle shall in NO wise pass from the law, till **all** be fulfilled.**
- **The WORD is our ONLY WEAPON against Satan**
 - **Eph 6:17 (KJV) And take the helmet of salvation, and the SWORD of the SPIRIT which is the word of God:**

All Scriptures is Given by the Inspiration of GOD

- All Scriptures is GIVEN by the INSPIRATION (HOLY SPIRIT) of GOD
 - 2Ti 3:14-17 (KJV) But continue thou in the things which thou hast LEARNED and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast LEARNED them; 15 And that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee WISE unto SALVATION through FAITH which is in CHRIST JESUS. 16 All Scripture is given by INSPIRATION of GOD, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: 17 That the man of GOD may be perfect, throughly furnished unto ALL GOOD works.

The WORD is our ONLY Weapon

- **The WORD is our ONLY WEAPON against Satan**
 - **Eph 6:17 (KJV)** And take the helmet of salvation, and the **SWORD** of the **SPIRIT** which is the word of God:
- **The word is sharper than any two-edged Sword**
 - **Heb 4:12-13 (KJV)** For the word of God *is* quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and *is* a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. **13** Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things *are* naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.

The WORD enables us to Control the Thoughts of our Imagination



- **The WORD is the WEAPON Disciples must Wield to control the Thoughts of their Imagination**
 - **2Co 10:3-5 (KJV) For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: 4 (For the weapons of our warfare *are* not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) 5 Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;**

JESUS sent the WORD to Cleanse Us



- **JESUS wants to Sanctify and Cleanse Disciples by the Washing of water by the WORD**
 - **Eph 5:25-27 (KJV) 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.**
- **GOD washed the wickedness away by the waters of the flood that killed those filled with evil thoughts**
- **JESUS wants to wash away evil thoughts with the WORD to sanctify and cleanse those who want to be His Bride and future Heavenly Wife**



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GOD'S WORD brings us LIFE and they are ETERNAL!



- The WORDS of JESUS CHRIST give us LIFE!
 - **Jhn 6:63 (KJV)** It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, *they* are spirit, and *they* are life.
- ONLY the WORDS of JESUS give us Eternal Life
 - **Jhn 6:67-68 (67)** Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away? (68) Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.
- GOD'S WORDS SHALL NEVER PASS AWAY
 - **Mat 24:35** HEAVEN and EARTH SHALL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORDS SHALL NOT PASS AWAY.



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22. Precepts of the Kingdom of Heaven

Three States of Words in the World

- **TRUTH** = What is written (GOD's and JESUS' WORDS)
 - **Jhn 17:17 (KJV)** Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth.
- **TRUE** = What the HOLY SPIRIT reveals about "What is Written"
(Heavenly Interpretation)
 - **Rev 2:7 (KJV)** He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.....
- **FALSE** = Mankind's private interpretation that opposes "What is Written" and What is Revealed by the HOLY SPIRIT
 - **2Pe 1:20-21 (KJV)** Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. 21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

New Covenant vs New Testament



- **The Holy Spirit has guided me to focus on the New Covenant (NC) in lieu of the commonly given name, the New Testament (NT)**
- **JESUS did NOT come to establishment a New Testament**
- **JESUS came with and delivered His Testament, which became the New Covenant when He died and shed His Blood to cleanse our Sins**



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23. New Born Babes in JESUS CHRIST Must Have the WORD to Grow!

Peter Commanded to Feed the LORD's Sheep

- **JESUS told Peter to feed my Sheep (St. John 21:15-17)**

15. So when they had dined, **Jesus saith to Simon Peter**, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, **Feed my lambs.**
16. He saith to him again **the second time**, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? He saith unto him, Yea, Lord; thou knowest that I love thee. He saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.**
17. He saith unto him **the third time**, Simon, son of Jonas, lovest thou me? Peter was grieved because he said unto him the third time, Lovest thou me? And he said unto him, Lord, thou knowest all things; thou knowest that I love thee. Jesus saith unto him, **Feed my sheep.**

Newborn Babes Need the WORD

- Peter fulfilled JESUS' commandment by commanding newborn babes to desire the sincere milk of GOD's Word (1 Pet. 2:1-3)
 1. Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings,
 2. As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:
 3. If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.



Peter Commands Paul's Writings

- Peter ended his writings by commanding Disciples to read the writings of Paul and those who refuse do so to their own Destruction (2 Pet. 3:14-18)

14. Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless.

15. And account that the longsuffering of our Lord is salvation; even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you;

16. As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures, unto their own destruction.

17. Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.

18. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever. Amen.

Babes are Unskillful in the WORD

- Paul warns those Disciples who have not grown in the Word (Heb. 5:11-14)
 11. Of whom we have **many things to say**, and **hard** to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing.
 12. For when for the time ye ought to be teachers, ye have need that one teach you again which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are **become such** as have need of **milk**, and not of **strong meat**.
 13. For **every one** that useth milk is unskillful in the word of righteousness: for **he is a babe**.
 14. But **strong meat** **belongeth** to **them that are** **of full age**, even **those who** by reason of use have **their** senses exercised to **discern** both GOOD and EVIL.

Teachings



- 1. The Purpose of This Conference! “Why This Conference?”**
- 2. Scriptural Highlights Colors & Meanings**
- 3. Returning to the Original Means (Greek Words & Definitions)**
- 4. The Creation was about GOD Seeking a Wife for His Son**
- 5. What is the Kingdom of GOD – The Kingdom of Heaven?**
- 6. We Must Repent to Enter the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 7. The Mystery of Discipleship**
- 8. What is Discipleship**
- 9. Jesus Came to Cleanse His Bride so She could become His Wife**

Teachings



10. Key Truths of Discipleship

11. The LORD Charged Us to READ the Apostle's Writings to All the Holy Brethren

12. Wisdom Definition of the Church and Bride of JESUS CHRIST

17. The Scriptures Teach Us "How-To" Accurately Define the HEART!

10. Recovering the Definition and Meaning of Discipleship

11. Satan's Focus is to Steal GOD's WORD so he can Kill and Destroy You

12. The Origins of the Christian Religion, Its Philosophy, and the Hiding of GOD's WORD



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Teachings



- 17. Wisdom Questions to Guide Your Study so You can Grow and be Transformed**
- 18. JESUS Called Individuals to FOLLOW Him**
- 19. The Significance of JESUS' Establishment of the New Covenant (NC)**
- 20. The NC Laws and Commandments**
- 21. The Kingdom of Heaven is built on GOD's WORD – "What is Written"**
- 22. Precepts of the Kingdom of Heaven**
- 23. New Born Babes in JESUS Must Have the WORD to Grow!**

Doing the Ministry of Discipleship

- Answering the Questions that have equipped Followers of JESUS to be HIS Discipleship
 - What is It? (You **MUST READ** the Holy Scriptures)
 - What does it Mean? (You **MUST STUDY** and **HEAR** the **HOLY SPIRIT**)
 - What does it Look Like?
 - Why is it Important? (You **MUST STUDY** the **WORD**)
 - How do I DO it? (You **MUST RENEW** the **THOUGHTS** of one's **IMAGINATION**)
 - How Do I TEACH Others? (You **MUST** be a **Disciple** and experience **TRANSFORMATION** before you can **TEACH others**.)

If you complete the steps, You are NOW EQUIPPED to MAKE DISCIPLES!



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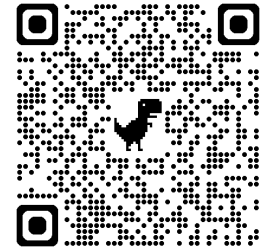
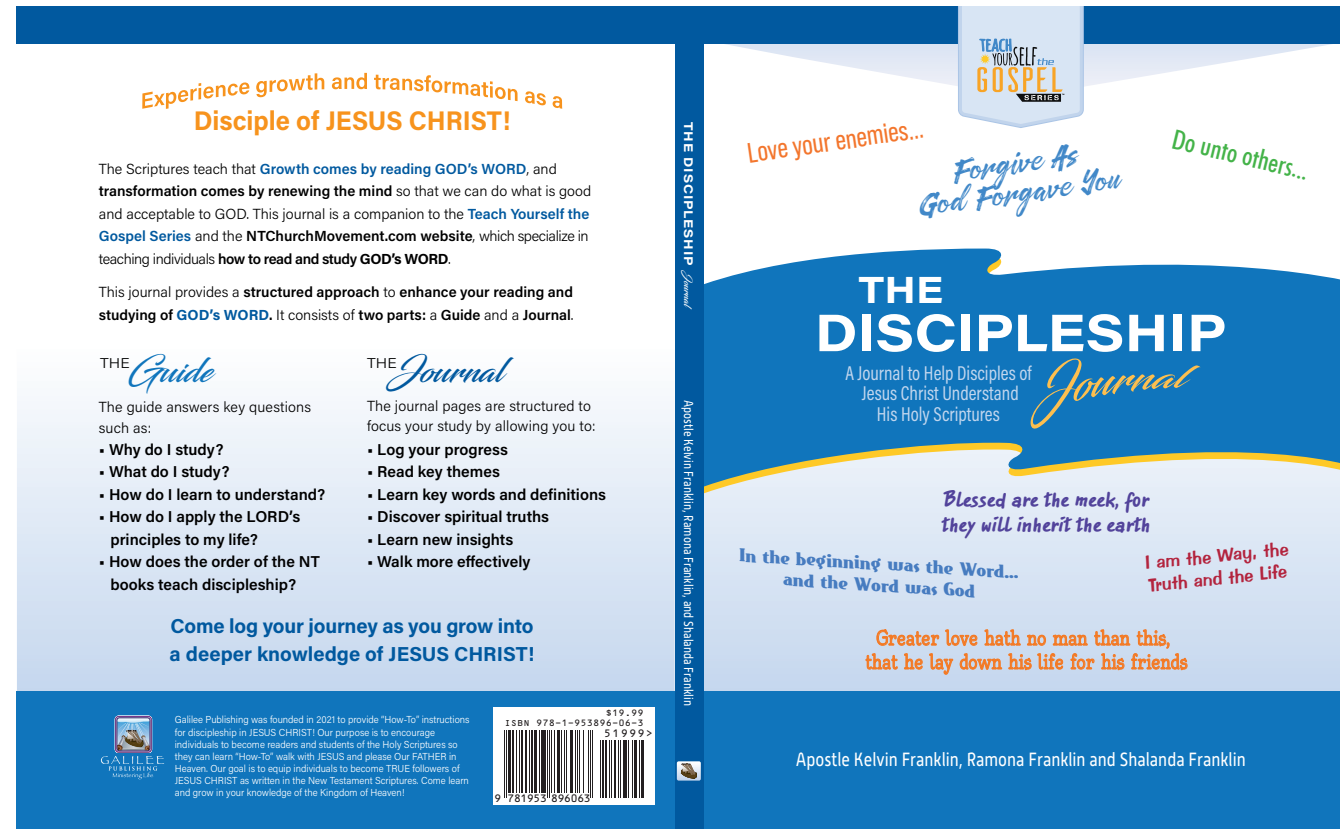


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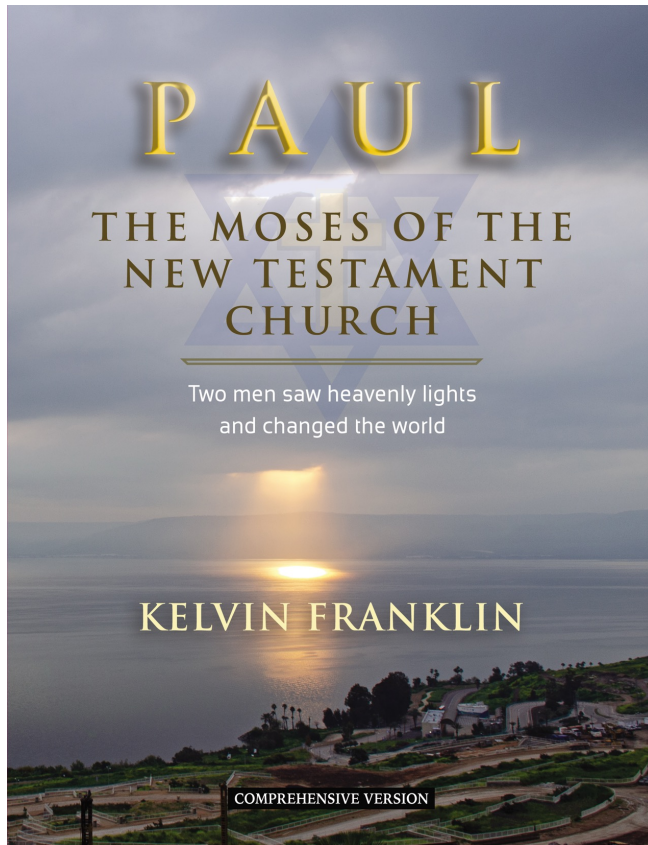
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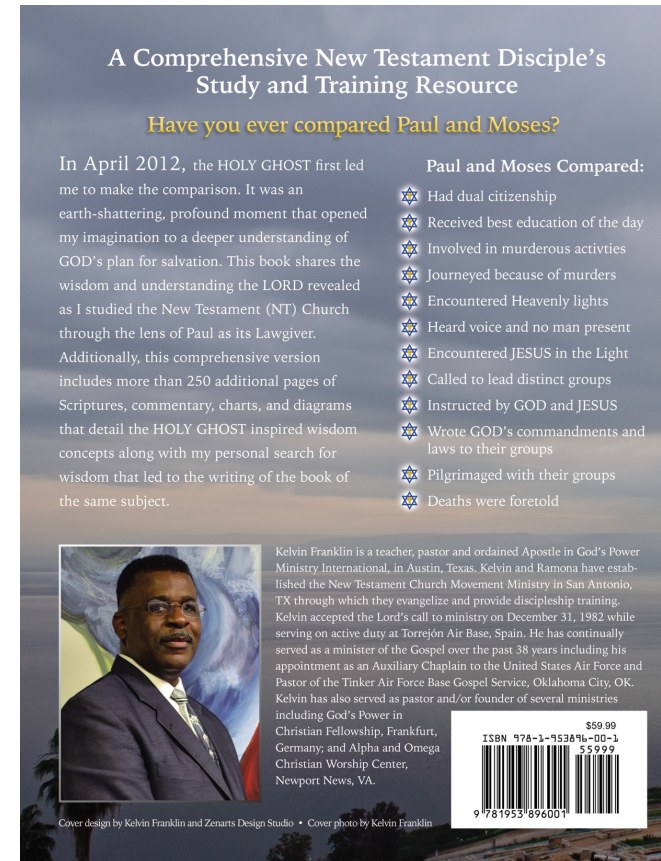


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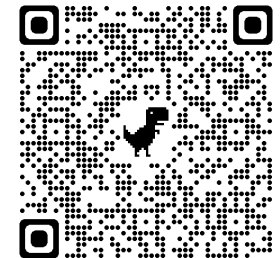
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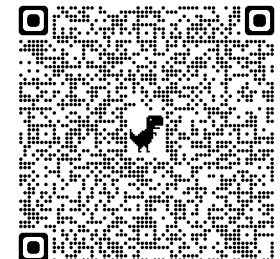
- ✦ Had dual citizenship
- ✦ Received best education of the day
- ✦ Involved in murderous activities
- ✦ Journeyed because of murders
- ✦ Encountered Heavenly lights
- ✦ Heard voice and no man present
- ✦ Encountered JESUS in the Light
- ✦ Called to lead distinct groups
- ✦ Instructed by GOD and JESUS
- ✦ Wrote GOD’s commandments and laws to their groups
- ✦ Pilgrimaged with their groups
- ✦ Deaths were foretold



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