

Father, We praise you and thank you for sending your son Jesus, to reveal the way to find you, love you, the way to love others, and the way to be set free from every deceit and bondage that the devil would try to fool us into keeping. We thank you he no longer has any power over us except in the lies we still choose to believe. I pray Father, for your grace today for every heart to be able to receive truth, every ear to hear, every eye to see, and every work of evil in hearts, minds, emotions, bodies and souls to be destroyed and made desolate. We pray for you to give us a heart for you God, and that you reveal your fulness to each of us and give us the grace to be able to cast our burdens upon you Jesus, for you have born them for us. Give us grace to hear your voice, the Holy Spirit. Your mercy endures forever. Thank you God. May we each be given grace to love and praise you with all of our hearts, and to glorify your name forever more.

In Jesus name, amen

**2Thessalonians2** 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the **love of the truth**, that they might be saved.

If we Love the truth, (even if our carnal minds hate it and our flesh hates it) (no good thing dwells in the flesh) ----- If we love the truth, we will obey it. If we don't obey it then it becomes apparent we do not actually love it. We may know it is the truth but our disobedience proves we actually do not love it. Perhaps we just acknowledge it. But we love our life the way it is more,,,,, we don't love the truth quite enough to implement it in our life. We are showing that even though we know the bible is the truth, we don't love God enough and his word enough to believe that obeying his Word will set us free. There is believing ----- but not coupled with faith. We may have faith ----- but faith without works is dead! If we do not add works to our faith, we show how much we actually despise Gods word. What is works? Well when the word says we are judged to the same measure as we judge. If we love that word ----- and we should ----- because it has the potential to set us free ----- if we love that word and then walk in it, which is to begin forgiving those whom we have aught against, we are doing works of faith. We are now doers of the word. How awesome! Then according to Gods Word we will find ourselves under less condemnation because we are forgiven **as we forgive others. Our love of the truth plus putting what we read into action, begins to set us free. Remember our flesh may hate the truth but we are born again in the Spirit. We must die to our flesh and let our Spirit rule. It's our Spirit man that loves the truth and forces our flesh to obey. God is not interested in our fleshly carcass, he wants us to rule and reign over it. He wants our Spirit man to rise up and smash our enemies. Which is to rule and reign over satan and every devil residing in our flesh. The devils in us(in our mind will and emotions) will try to convince us that we hate the truth. But our Spirit loves the truth. Don't be deceived by the flesh! Our Spirit loves the truth and so is not fooled by the lies of the flesh ---- the carnal mind ----- and our emotions which can so easily exalt themselves against the knowledge of the truth.**

**So going back**

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The love of the truth is to read it and believe it and **walk in it**. We see if we do not do this then we perish, and why? Because our flesh deceived us! We didn't receive the love of the truth. We read the need to forgive but because our flesh despised the idea to the point where we disobeyed, we became deceived and will be lead away with those that perish. We did not walk in the light. We read about the light and may have agreed with the light of the truth, but didn't shine the light, by **walking** in that truth. We did not **do the truth**.

**1John1:6** If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

**2 corinthians 4** **1** Therefore seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not; **2** But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully; but by **manifestation of the truth** commending ourselves to every man's conscience in the sight of God.

Notice it is by **manifestation of the truth**. Making it open and acted upon and brought into actuality. If we don't begin to forgive those whom have offended us we are walking in darkness. Even though we know the truth! We must be the light on the hill. If we are not, we are deceived because we had no love of the truth. We loved what our flesh felt and what our minds felt comfortable with. Perhaps we have managed to justify our unforgiveness by saying it is ok, because it was all the other persons fault and I did nothing. If we do this we become deceived! God is clear if we do not forgive we are not forgiven!

**Matthew 6:15** But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

**2Thessalonians2** 11 And for this cause God shall **send them strong delusion**, that they should believe a lie:

**2Corinthians 4** **3** But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: **4** In whom the god of this world hath **blinded the minds of them which believe not**, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

We can say we believe and may well believe. But our lack of obedience proves that which we love more. We love the flesh over the Word because the flesh has won the victory. Unforgiveness reigns ---- so the flesh has reigned over the Spirit ----- the devil is reigning in this part of our life! We must die to the flesh! We cannot give into the desires of the flesh! The desires of demons. The voice of devils will justify why we should not forgive. But we must bind that devil up in the name of Jesus, when we hear it in our mind and send it to judgement, and **obey the truth**. **To obey is to do**. Not just to think it's a nice idea. Our flesh does not like us obeying Gods word. Our Spirit man rejoices though when we do obey. Remember the devil will resist, we must bind him and plunder his evil works from out of our life. Our flesh is their house. Not the born again spirit ----- that is bought and paid for by the blood of Jesus. **DENY THE FLESH! DENY SATAN! BIND HIM! IN JESUS NAME! THEN PLUNDER HIS EVIL FROM OUT OF THE FLESH!**

**Mark 3:27** No man can enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he will first bind the strong man; and then he will spoil his house.

**Romans6** **6** Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. **7** For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Crucify the flesh! Crucify the devils in the flesh. Don't allow them to exalt themselves over us. Give the spirit the victory. Not the flesh. Take back the land! Our soul. Overcome!

### **Romans 7:18**

For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing: for to will is present with me; but *how* to perform that which is good I find not.

Notice, it is hard to perform. Our flesh does not love the truth **at all !**

**Don't allow our flesh to convince us that we don't like the truth! It's the devil that hates the truth. We love the truth, our spirit loves the truth, to will is present but how to perform that which is good we find not. Why? because the sin nature, the selfish part of us that has no resemblance to GOD hates the truth. The devils in our flesh hate the truth. To overcome this is a fiery trial which we are to expect. And not be surprised.**

**2Peter 4** Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you.

Why is it a fiery trial? Because satan is trying to deceive us all. He does not want us walking in the truth. He doesn't so much mind if we know the truth, as long as we don't obey it. But when we begin to **obey and do** the truth, he begins to get upset because he hates God and he hates us --- because we are made in Gods image. When we go to obey the truth, our body mind and emotions will begin to resist us. Our mind will give us reasons why we can't or shouldn't. And why? Because devils dwell in our flesh, and resist us. And even our sin nature will resist us. If we are in agreement with sin and in this case ---- unforgiveness ---- then that devil has power over us in this place in our life. If we choose to forgive and resist that devil, he will then have to flee and we will be released from our bitterness and resentment and hate and other devils and **devilish emotions** that work with this spirit. The battle is in the mind. We must overcome all thoughts that are not in agreement with the Word of God. Our emotions are used to cause anger and rage and sadness and bitterness. Bind these **devils that use our emotions!** Don't be fooled by wrong emotions. **God has given us joy** not satan's foul emotions. Resist, repent, bind, do not accept the devils emotions.

### **Romans 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 acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

When we read the Word of God, if we Love the truth, despite what our mind tells us, and our emotions, if we love the truth we agree with what God says. Our minds are full of deception, the Word is not, it is truth. We do not let anything that disagrees with the truth remain in our mind. If it does not agree with Gods word it is deception. We must fight to overcome, much of the battle occurs in the mind. The devil uses our emotions to try to convince us that the lies he puts in our mind are true. Resist evil emotions. Sadness, depression, anger, self pity etc

### **Ephesians 6:12**

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

We wrestle with them. We wrestle with our fallen nature. We wrestle in our mind, we wrestle in our emotions, **we wrestle with our will** to obey. satan tries to take over our will. We

must overcome. To each of the seven churches in revelation chapters 2 and 3 the promises are given to those who overcome. Here's the promise to Laodicea, the seventh church.

**Revelation 3:21** To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

So it can be difficult to take our minds back from the enemy. They resist us. They speak their evil thoughts into our minds constantly. They try to bind our minds into agreement with their lies. They also control our emotions. We must overcome our sin nature. We cannot win without our Lord. We cannot win in our own strength. How do we overcome?

### **Revelation 12:11**

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

In this case we repent of unforgiveness, we choose to forgive! and thank Jesus for his forgiveness and forgive the person of any offense we have against them, from our heart. We can ask God to heal our hearts and the hurt and pain of this, if the offense was very painful. We release it to Jesus who paid the price to set us free from this bondage of unforgiveness. Yes it is a bondage that allows the enemy to torment us with anger and bitterness and hate and sorrow and depression and many other torments. So as we have forgiven, to the same measure God can now, according to his word forgive us. **He can't wait to forgive us** of course. He died for us. Resist that devil that has been tormenting us, then he **will flee**. We have been given power to tell him to leave.

### **Luke 10:19**

Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy: and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

The devil tries to prevent us from repenting, it is difficult, we go to the cross, where we have the victory in Jesus Christ. His sacrifice, his blood overcame the enemy. That is where our victory is. We choose to forgive and go to our Father in heaven in Jesus name and ask for his grace to be able to forgive. Not in our strength but in the victory he has already won over satan. satan has no answer for the blood of Jesus. We are bought and paid for by the blood of Jesus. He is under our feet. When we abide in Him/ Jesus. When we are walking in the Spirit. Not in our strength but in his victory, through the cross, the way provided. By faith.

Jesus has provided everything we need. We now read the truth, see the truth, agree with the truth, but then MOST IMPORTANTLY WALK IN THE TRUTH ----- DO IT! In the knowledge that he won the victory already, we just **apply** his awesome promises to our lives. We don't look at the promises and think ----- hmmm they are lovely promises! NO! We use them. We apply them. By faith. We love the truth. Praise God!

**Colossians 1** **13** Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated *us* into the kingdom of his dear Son: **14** In whom we have redemption through his blood, *even* the forgiveness of sins:

We have been **delivered from the power of darkness** into the kingdom of Gods Son who is now at the right hand of God. And we have redemption through his blood and forgiveness of all our sins. If he has forgiven **my sins** then he has also forgiven every other soul who believes,

**their sins.** If he has forgiven them, how can I then not forgive them. Do I want forgiveness for ALL my sins, but then say that I need not forgive my neighbor when **Jesus paid for their sins too!**

**Matthew 6:15** But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

If satan convinces us that forgiveness is not necessary, or if we ourselves decide it is not necessary, we without even realizing it ----- have fallen into deception. We remain unforgiven! We are deluded and are believing lies. Thinking we are forgiven when in actual fact we are not. We might think forgiveness is good for us, but when it comes to forgiving others we don't think it is as good ----- Don't be deceived. Their sins are also **all forgiven.** We must DO forgiveness.

**James1** **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.

The law of liberty. To the measure we judge, we are judged. We have the liberty to **be completely forgiven** by **completely forgiving others.** If we judge that we don't need to forgive that person or that offense we are straight away deceived. Or foolish.

**1** Judge not, that ye be not judged. **2** For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. **3** And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? **4** Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam *is* in thine own eye? **5** Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.

The law of liberty. God is a just God. And a loving God. His mercy endures forever. **He can't wait to forgive us.** He sent his Son to die on the cross **so he could forgive us justly** and **according to his word.** But God doesn't lie. When I judge my brother or father or mother or neighbor to be forgiven **no matter what they did**, God is then able to ----- according to his word (because he cannot lie) ---- forgive me **no matter what I have done.** I have **walked** in the truth. The perfect law of liberty. The liberty of a JUST GOD.  
\_\_\_\_\_ We are now abiding in Christ and **walking in the truth and the truth is now setting us free.** The Holy Spirit leads and guides us to repentance and forgiveness and all other godliness. He lights our path unto holiness. The way.

**John16** **12** I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. **13** Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth:

The more we walk in the truth the more freedom we have. As we listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit who guides us into all truth, which is repentance, and forgiveness and to not judge others, and to not gossip and slander, and to not lean on our own understanding. Remember, our

own understanding is tainted by the lies of satan and anything that exalts itself against the Love of God, is a part of his deceit. The world is full of deceit. The world teaches deceit Jesus is full of truth.

**John 16** **5** But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? **6** But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. **7** Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. **8** And when he is come, **he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:** **9** Of sin, because they believe not on me; **10** Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more; **11** **Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.**

Walking in the truth can be difficult, because whilst Jesus has overcome satan for us, and he is under our feet and has no real power over us, he will resist us through his deceit and lies. What ever part of our life is still in deception ---- that is a part that he is still able to torment us in. That is a part of our life that he can still bring destruction to. But Jesus has overcome him and so we can overcome him too, if we abide in Him, if we are lead by the Spirit. The Spirit will show us a little at a time where satan still has us deceived. When he shows us, if we co-operate, we will repent and do whatever is necessary to remove this sin from our life. When we co-operate we are abiding in Christ and walking in the Spirit. We are no longer hearers only. But now doers. And we prove and exercise our faith. This is what pleases God and he rewards us.

**Hebrews 11:6** But without faith *it is* impossible to please *him*: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and *that* he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.

Don't be deceived we must walk in the truth, we must be **doers** of the word.

**James 1** **22** But be ye **doers of the word**, and not hearers only, **deceiving your own selves**.

God's grace releases us from the power of sin and death, but that is not a license to continue in sin. God's grace allows us to be forgiven. It sets us free of infirmity and sickness and all of satan's works. Jesus has provided everything that we need but we have to take what he has provided. In his Word. And how do we take that provision? BY FAITH. We **believe the truth and then walk in it. Through the Holy Spirit. We repent of satan's ways and walk in the light.**

**Romans 6** **12** Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof. **13** Neither yield ye your members *as* instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members *as* instruments of righteousness unto God. **14** For sin shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.

**Romans 16:20** And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

Grace is not an excuse to sin! It is the mercy of God! ----- to release us **from the power** of sin. Do not think that sin is ok. We must walk in the truth. God's grace releases us from guilt and shame and releases us from satan's power over us to bring us into condemnation. We now have power over satan and over sin when we follow the Holy Spirit into all truth. He can no longer

hold us in sin ----- if we **choose** to depart from it. By the power of the blood of the lamb, Jesus Christ's blood cleanses us of all sin..... satan and sin are defeated.

**Hebrews 10 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?

**1John 1:6** If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth:

Walking in the truth and turning from sin can be very painful and difficult, but Gods grace is sufficient. We must believe we are forgiven of all sin and iniquity and not let the devil bring us under condemnation. We must turn from sin. If we are walking in the Spirit and the truth we can overcome. Through Jesus Christ, through the cross. By reading his promises in the Word and applying them. His grace is sufficient for us to overcome.

### **2 Corinthians 12:9**

And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

If we find it difficult to forgive, we turn to the Lord and ask for the grace to do it. Sometimes the offense or many offenses are very very hard to forgive. But we can still **choose to forgive! And turn to God for grace to forgive.** When we are weak ----- we become strong ----- because that weakness causes us to **turn to God for grace to overcome.** When we turn to God we are **walking in faith** because we believe he can help. We believe in HIM. We are then made strong through him. When we are weak we are made strong. By faith ----- by God. HIS WORKS!

**1Peter 4:12** Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:

The fiery trial brings us to a place of weakness, where we realize we have no strength to overcome ourselves. We try to escape our sin and iniquity, we try to forgive, we try not to judge, we try to escape alcohol, or anger, or hate, but can't. **It's a fiery trial.** When we realize we can't do it we are made to feel weak, but this **turns to our strength** because we now **turn to God for help.** Which is exactly what pleases him. There is no room for pride when God delivers us. Our flesh always wants to do it, but Gods way is grace through Jesus Christ. We cannot make ourselves Holy through our own effort! We cannot climb up into heaven another way. Which is our own way and by our own strength. It has to be the way God provided through Jesus and the cross and the blood and the Holy Spirit.

**Proverbs 16:25** There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof *are* the ways of death.

**Matthew 22 11** And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: **12** And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. **13** Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. **14** For many are called, but few *are* chosen.

We can't make our own garments, we need the garment Jesus provided us. He paid the price to release us from sin and iniquity and bondages and every other evil work. We must go

through the cross. Jesus makes us Holy and it is by grace not by our own effort that we are made Holy ----- by following and obeying the truth, the Word, and the living Word, the Holy Spirit.

The Way.

**John14:6** Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

Jesus is the way. We walk how he walked. We do not just stand there looking at what he said and did. That would be called standing in the same place in Jesus. That would be loitering in sin and iniquity, whilst looking at the truth. Watching the truth. Commenting on how nice the truth looks. Don't be deceived! Walking the way Jesus walked **implies movement** and a direction. Jesus set out the way to go. If we want to follow him to eternal life we must go the way he went. Not stand there. But follow.

So. If we don't **obey** what we see in the scripture. We ARE DECEIVED and don't realize it! By simply not acting on the truth we are **by default** in deception.

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If we just stand there and look at the truth our minds have become blinded to the light of the glorious gospel. Praise Jesus for his grace. Praise our Father in heaven for his mercy, thank you Holy Spirit for showing us the way and leading us into all truth. The way of faith. In the finished work of Jesus Christ.

Father, We praise you and thank you for sending your son Jesus, to reveal the way to find you, love you, the way to love others, and the way to be set free from every deceit and bondage that the devil would try to fool us into keeping. We thank you he no longer has any power over us except in the lies we still choose to believe. I pray Father, for your grace today for every heart to be able to receive truth, every ear to hear, every eye to see, and every work of evil in hearts, minds, emotions, bodies and souls to be destroyed and made desolate. We pray for you to give us a heart for you God, and that you reveal your fulness to each of us and give us the grace to be able to cast our burdens upon you Jesus, for you have born them for us. Give us grace to hear your voice, the Holy Spirit. Your mercy endures forever. Thank you God. May we each be given grace to love and praise you with all of our hearts, and to glorify your name forever more.

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