19/10/16 Swing The Sword - Leave Religion (26)

Psalm 103

8The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy.

9He will not always chide: neither will he keep *his anger* for ever.

10 He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

11 For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is his mercy toward them that fear him.

12As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

13Like as a father pitieth *his* children, *so* the LORD pitieth them that fear him.

Jesus showed us the way. Above shows the way he walked. Each of us has a record of wrongs longer than we can imagine and if we can allow ourselves to see this truth and realize the greatness of Gods mercy and forgiveness then we will learn to fear Him. Why? Because we are made in His image and when we accept Jesus as our Lord and savior we are agreeing to make Him Lord over our life. We are agreeing to allow Him to mould us into His image because He made us in His image. He has forgiven us our record of wrongs and so tells **us to do the same** with others. That is what sets ourselves free and what sets others free. That is Love. We should fear God knowing that we are forgiven only as we forgive others. If we fail to forgive we should very much fear. The devil through vain religion will tempt us to not forgive so that he can still control and manipulate us. It is deception to think we can keep any record of wrongs against each other. It can take time to forgive but we must forgive.

<u>Matthew 6</u> <u>13</u> And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen. <u>14</u> For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: <u>15</u> But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

Forgiveness and grace defeats the enemy in both ourselves and others. When we make Jesus our Lord and believe in our heart and repent, the Holy Spirit comes in and begins His work of sanctification which is a work of returning us to Gods image. The image in which He made us. Salvation didn't come so we could remain being used by evil and darkness. It did'n't come just for forgiveness of sins but to set us free from the bondage of sin. Unforgiveness brings torment and bondage. There is no truth in satan. Fear God and allow Him to do this work in us. **Understanding is to obey** and to obey is to Love. Seeing Jesus in Psalm 103 allows us to then see ourselves BY FAITH as in a mirror in the same image as Him as we do what Jesus showed us to do. He came as a man so that we could see how to behave as men. WE are in Him and He is in us. The Holy Spirit is doing this work in us if we indeed have the Holy Spirit. We will come into the same nature and character as God if we allow the Holy Spirit to sanctify us. We have free will. We can choose to co-operate. We are not under law but we are co-operating with the Holy Spirit. Relationship with God. We are learning to walk in love, not under the law but by being lead and following the Holy Spirit of God. Religion will remove the Holy Spirit and the authority. We can do nothing without the Holy Spirit. Each one of us must

allow the Holy Spirit to be our guide. Then we have Gods authority also. When we obey what He says He will back up our obedience with power of God.

Psalm 111:10 The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do *his commandments*: his praise endureth for ever.

<u>John 8:44</u> You are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father you will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as **by the Spirit of the Lord.**

Romans 6:16 Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

When Adam and Eve fell they became servants of satan, because to whom you obey is to whom you become a servant. Gods grace is the power given to us to come out from servitude to satan. How? Because there is now no condemnation to those in Christ Jesus. The strength of sin is the law and grace releases us from the laws power, so sin no longer controls us. We can leave sin now. satan no longer controls us when we no longer live in his evil deceptions. When we repent. Gods grace is the power to leave enslavement to satan and demons. Enslavement through the weakness of our flesh and its lusts. The crown of thorns that Jesus wore dealt with the curse. The curse was given for our sake because the torment of the curse and sin catches up with us. It drives us to seek God when we eventually realize the bondage that sin brings upon us. It motivates us to seek out the savior. Sin allows satan to torment us and our families and friends until it drives us back to God. The purpose of the curse is to bring us back to God. This has always been Gods purpose.

In our fallen state we feel like enemies of God in our own minds. Jesus paid for the curse and sin and brought us back into fellowship with God just like Adam and Eve had before they fell into servitude to satan. We are reconciled by faith straight away upon believing, and sanctified in our walk though obedience to the Holy Spirit as He leads us into all truth. He leads us to walk as Jesus walked and to be His hands and feet. He wants to make us just like Jesus, in this fallen world in order that He can continue ministering through us as we surrender our lives to Him. When we die to ourselves and our flesh nature, He can then work through us. We need to let go of the flesh so Jesus can love through us. It is His love then working through us. Not our love but His, because He is in us. There is no room to boast. Our work is learning how to surrender to God and rest from our works. When we get out of the way He can work through us. He can love and we can rest in Him. We become weak in ourselves so that He can become strong through us. He is our righteousness.

2Corinthians 11:30 (ESV) If I must boast, I will boast of the things that show my weakness.

<u>2Corinthians 12:10</u> Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in

persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

Hebrews 4:1 Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left *us* of entering into his rest, any of you should seem to come short of it.

We are not enemies anymore when we believe. We are part of Gods family. satan was never given dominion by God, he stole it through deception, he usurped authority that was not given to him. satan is still usurping over the deceived today. He is usurping in any place where we are still walking in darkness. God took that dominion back through the cross and Jesus Christ. We take it back in our own lives by believing, repenting, and then taking up the sword against satan. We take up the sword, THE WORD, the promises, and wield them against him. We believe the promises and then we add faith to our belief and apply them to our lives and circumstances. Faith is active, we apply the promises. Worthless religion strips us of the faith part. We just believe and then do nothing, in religion we become stagnant without applying the word. We say "Jesus did it all, I will try to be good and then go to heaven"

Well that is another Jesus,(a fake) The Word does not agree! Faith without works is dead. Dead religion. We must **use** what Jesus provided not just believe it.

James 2:26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.

1Timothy 1:19 Holding faith, and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck:

Matthew 16:26 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?

<u>1Peter 2:11</u> Dearly beloved, I beseech *you* as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

Matthew 22:37 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.

Faith is the activation of Gods word in applying it and enforcing it, believing it and standing in it until we see its results. (not by sight but by faith) Religion will just have us believe and then apply nothing. The Word and the promises are our sword to conquer satan and take back our soul from any place in which he controls it. Where there is darkness in us. We must swing our sword though to conquer. Don't let satan deceive us through worthless religion and just stand there with a rusty old sword that sits in a dusty old unused cupboard. Polish the sword, clean it up and sharpen it. Read the Word. Take back the land! Take our soul back! Do not let the demonic realm control our behavior. Come into the image God created. Jesus image. Allow Jesus to work Jesus planted a seed in the world, Himself, and this world needs millions of through us. Jesus reaching the lost, the hurting, and our newly born brothers and sisters who have only just begun their walk with the Holy Spirit and need discipleship. God is a conqueror through His church. Jesus is still trampling satan to this day in His body the church. In and through believers as we surrender and die to self.

Hebrews 4:12 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.

<u>Colossians 1:21</u> And you, that were sometime alienated and **enemies in** *your* **mind** by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled

Psalm 25:5 Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou *art* the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

John 16:13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Galatians 3:13 Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed *is* every one that hangeth on a tree:

Even though Jesus has paid the price, we are still in danger if we have no faith to believe. If we walk in unbelief which comes though being disobedient to the Holy Spirit then the roaring lion who roams around looking for whom he may devour, will devour us. The Holy Spirit is always guiding us toward faith through obedience to His voice. He is always leading us out of the devils deceptions and out of servitude and enslavement to satan. He is turning the roar of satan who is looking to devour us, into a trembling screech as he flees away. If we take up our sword and apply Gods promises to our lives. satan trembles at the thought of us walking in light and truth. satan is in terror when he sees we have faith and are not agreeing with his ways. If we activate Gods promises rather than just believe them. We have been **given power** to trample him but we have to use the power. We must USE the power and swing the sWord.

<u>James 2:19</u> Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.

<u>Luke 10:19</u> 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.

If we obey the Holy Spirit He will lead us out of the prison that satan has placed us in through enslavement to his evil ways. Enslavement that came under the curse and the law. We though are under grace and satan has no answer to grace, he has no power, so then we are set free to surrender to God and leave all evil and darkness. We repent and keep repenting and keep repenting and keep repenting. The Holy Spirit will cause us to take up the sword if we will but start swinging it. Swinging the promises and the authority we have in Jesus. We need Gods grace to shine light on the darkness that is in us so that we can repent of it and be set free. A piece at a time as we can bare it and as we can see it, precept upon precept and from glory to glory. A walk and a work of the Holy Spirit in relationship and obedience to Him. Never the law because the law brings condemnation and bondage. satan walks as a roaring lion, if we leave the sword in the closet

through religion and deceit. But when we begin swinging it at him he trembles and flees. He only roars till he sees that we will trample him with Gods Word and power. Then he slinks away and flees and trembles. He will flee to where he still has us deceived and roar from there. The Holy Spirit will expose that place to us as well and then we can **repent** and swing again. That is how we get cleaned up which is the process of sanctification. It is a walk with God. And it is God working in us. We are just surrendering and repenting of all evil as The Holy Spirit shows it to us. It is His work.

Philippians 2:13 For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of *his* good pleasure.

1Peter 5:8 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:

The only way the devil has any power over us or the world is the power man gives him through our agreement with his ways. His ways are darkness and lies and deception. God has never taken dominion away from man, over the Earth. satan has dominion in the world only through our agreement to be his servant by obeying him through the curse and law. He gets his dominion through man. Our agreement with him is what gives him power over our world and our circumstances and our lives. The Holy Spirit is bringing us out of agreement with him and out of enslavement to him. The comforter has come to comfort us in this battle for our land, our soul, as we take back OUR land just as Joshua took back the land from those that dwelt in the land that God had promised to Moses. The battle that Joshua and Caleb and the Israelites faced is a type and shadow of the battle we each individually face to conquer the enemies in our flesh. Our flesh is the land and the enemy is dwelling in our flesh enforcing the curse. By faith we are free of the curse but that is through grace, and grace is for the purpose of coming out of agreement with devils and darkness and sin. We must resist letting sin rule over us. satan and his devils use our agreement with them to remain in us and torment and steal and kill and destroy. Deception. The Word exposes deception then we swing the sword. Reading and believing the truth brings satan into the light and swinging the word in faith utterly defeats and tramples him under our feet.

Romans 6:12 Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof

John 10:10 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.

<u>Deuteronomy 7</u> <u>1</u> When the LORD thy God shall bring thee into the land whither thou goest to possess it, and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou;

Joshua 1:2 Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people, unto the land which I do give to them, *even* to the children of Israel.

Religion would have us think Jesus did it all and we have no part to play. Jesus did do it all, but we do have a part to play in conquering the land of our flesh and our soul. **Our part is repentance and faith.** There is nothing we can add to what Jesus has done for us, he did it all, he said it is finished. Our salvation is complete in Jesus when we abide in Him. The only part we have to play in all this is to believe and repent and to obey the Holy Spirit in faith as we take back the strongholds of the devil that are in our flesh. Lust, pride and self. By faith, by believing and applying the Word through the power of the Holy Spirit. Our part is faith, it not our might or strength or wisdom, it is Gods. We just believe and have faith in God. Religion is inactive. Faith is active. Religion has us accepting the way we are and not repenting of darkness and corruption. Religion has us in **false** comfort believing we just need to believe. The truth has us allowing the Holy Spirit to do it, **using the word(the sword) the truth** as we repent and conquer evil and darkness that is in us through Him. Sanctification.

Ephesians 6:17 And **take** the helmet of salvation, and the **sword of the Spirit**, which is the word of God:

1John 2:16 For all that *is* in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

Lust and pride are part of our flesh nature, our fallen nature because we have usurpers occupying our flesh and destroying our soul. Within our flesh resides the enemy who is trying to keep us in satans image. satan is the father of these things and his children follow him. We are no longer his children, we have a heavenly Father now, we are born again. Devils are attempting to keep us enslaved to the works of darkness. Our agreement with the enemy enslaves our flesh and soul to the enemy and keeps a separation between us and God. Until we repent. Religion would have us think it is a one time event. Repentance is ongoing.

John 8:44 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.

God promised Joshua victory over the nations that occupied the promised land but he had to conquer these enemies by faith. He could not just say thank you God and stand on the other side of the Jordan to receive the promise, he had to TAKE back the land by force through faith in God. Joshua and Caleb had faith and courage. They believed God and dispossessed the usurpers from the land. They did not just say thanks God for giving us the land. No. They took it by force by faith and God did the rest. They swung their swords. They fought battles against giants and nations that they could not possibly have defeated naturally. The **went into battle** knowing that God would hand their enemies over to defeat. In fact Joshua and Caleb were the only ones of the generation of Israelites who came out of Egypt to enter the promised land. Why?

Numbers 13 23 And they came unto the brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with one cluster of grapes, and they bare it between two upon a staff; and *they brought* of the pomegranates, and of the figs. 24 The place was called the brook Eshcol, because of the cluster of grapes which the children of Israel cut down from thence.

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25 And they returned from searching of the land after forty days. 26 And they went and came to Moses, and to Aaron, and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh; and brought back word unto them, and unto all the congregation, and shewed them the fruit of the land. 27 And they told him, and said, We came unto the land whither thou sentest us, and surely it floweth with milk and honey; and this *is* the fruit of it. 28 Nevertheless the people *be* strong that dwell in the land, and the cities *are* walled, *and* very great: and moreover we saw the children of Anak there. 29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the south: and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by the sea, and by the coast of Jordan.

<u>30</u> And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it. <u>31</u> But the men that went up with him said. We be not able to go up against the people; for they *are* stronger than we. <u>32</u> And they brought up an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, *is* a land that eateth up the inhabitants thereof; and all the people that we saw in it *are* men of a great stature. <u>33</u> And there we saw the giants, the sons of Anak, *which come* of the giants: and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers, and so we were in their sight.

We see Caleb saw the promise of the land of enormous grapes and of milk and honey and he also believed that God would deliver the peoples who were giants into their hands. He had faith in God. He believed God. Lets go and posses the land! he said, despite what his natural senses told him about the awesome size of the giants. He trusted in his God. The other spies brought a bad report and had no faith that God would deliver the land into their hands. They resorted to fear that they could not have victory. Their bad report also brought the rest of the nation into fear, so they also had no faith in God. They saw the giants. Caleb saw the awesome grapes and a land flowing with milk and honey. He saw the promised land and believed God would give it to them. As a result only Joshua and Caleb ever entered the promised land from that generation. The rest fell in the wilderness and never entered. Of all those that left Egypt only two went into the promised land and God was with them. Because they had faith that God would deliver these giants and the land into their hands.

They went into battle and swung their swords and God did the rest. The same as we need to believe that God will deliver us from the enemy that dwells in our land, in our flesh trying to posses our soul. The giants of self, of unforgiveness, lists of wrongs a person has done, alcohol, drugs, greed, emotional pain, depression, fear, anxiety, judging others, self-righteousness, self justification, negative feelings, negative emotions, negative thoughts, anger, pride, rebellion, manipulation, rejection, self pity and many other **what can seem to be giants** that we cannot overcome. God will give all of these giants into our hands by faith. Just like Joshua and Caleb defeated the nations in the promised land in the physical, God will do in the spiritual. The giants are the demons that are seeking to control and deceive. Swing the sword. Swing the promises. **Leave religion and swing.** Have faith in God. To have faith requires repentance, obedience, **and forgiveness.** God is not mocked. As we forgive and set others free, God forgives us and sets us

free through faith. We must forgive! There is no way around the need to forgive.

<u>Mark 11</u> <u>22</u> And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. <u>23</u> For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. <u>24</u> Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and ye shall have *them*. <u>25</u> And when ye stand praying, forgive, if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven <u>may forgive</u> you your trespasses. <u>26</u> But if ye do not forgive, neither will your Father which is in heaven forgive your trespasses.

<u>Joshua 10</u> <u>24</u> And it came to pass, when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and said unto the captains of the men of war which went with him, Come near, put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them. <u>25</u> And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.

This story is written for our learning and gives us a fear and reverence for God. It strips any worthless religion of its power to keep us from fighting for our land. Fighting for our soul. Just as Joshua and Caleb conquered the nations in the land which were giants, so to must we conquer our flesh and it is by faith and the power of God. Not by any power we can muster up ourselves. We cannot conquer a spiritual foe with our flesh. Our flesh is weak and that is why when we become weak to save ourselves, God becomes strong in us. God will not act whilst we strive through our flesh. We conquer a spiritual foe with spiritual weapons and we can only access spiritual weapons through faith. We get great faith through obedience and repentance. We conquer satan by faith in God and through the power of the Holy Spirit who is in us and guiding us. We conquer by believing the **good report of Gods word.** We see the promises not the difficulties. We apply the promises. We are doers of the word. We walk in truth, not in religion. We walk in power like Jesus. Religion steals our hope. We hope and expect to be walking in power and authority.

<u>James 1</u> <u>19</u> Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath: <u>20</u> For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God. <u>21</u> Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, **which is able to save your souls.** <u>22</u> But **be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only**, deceiving your own selves. <u>23</u> 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: <u>24</u> For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. <u>25</u> 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.

<u>Hebrews 10</u> 38 Now the just shall live by faith: **but if any man draw back**, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. 39 But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

- <u>1</u> Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; <u>2</u> And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; <u>3</u> And did all eat the same spiritual meat; <u>4</u> And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ. <u>5</u> But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.
- <u>6</u> Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted. <u>7</u> Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play. <u>8</u> Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand. <u>9</u> Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. <u>10</u> Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.
- 11 Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come. 12 Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall. 13 here hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear it.

The lesson of the people that came out of Egypt is clear and is for our admonition. Seeing the difficulty and shrinking back will cause us to miss entering the promised land. Seeing the grapes, seeing the hope set before us will give us courage as Joshua and Caleb. Forgiving can seem like a giant as many other things also may seem. But our God is almighty and we can do all things in Him. We must leave the darkness. Repent and obey. Trust and believe. Swing the sword in faith. **God does the rest!** Use Gods promises.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

Hebrews 10:38 Now the **just shall live by faith:** but if *any man* draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

Acts 26:18 To open their eyes, and to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

<u>1Timothy 6:12</u> Fight the good fight of faith, <u>lay hold</u> on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

2 Timothy 4 7 I have fought a good **fight**, I have finished *my* course, I have kept the faith: **8** Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

As with the Israelites, our walk with God to overthrow our flesh nature and come into our new nature can seem like an impossible wilderness, and that is what the whole story of Moses leading the people out of Egypt and into the promised land is about. We also go into a wilderness just as they, and our response to it is all important. The wilderness tempts us and exposes corruption and sin so that we can repent and leave it. God will not allow us to be tempted above what we are able and gives us a way of escape so there is no excuse. We must continually choose the way of escape and when we choose and repent God gives us the power to do so. It is His mercy and grace and love. The wilderness is the place where God gently shows us parts of our old nature that need to be cleaned and sanctified. Where darkness resides.

<u>James 1</u> Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and receive with meekness the engrafted word, which is **able to save your souls**.

Psalm 119:89 LAMED. For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

Acts 10:34 Then Peter opened *his* mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

Hebrews 13:8 Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.

Our flesh despises being overruled by our born again spirit. The father of lies despises it too. God is transforming our old nature which the fallen dark world has trained, into our new nature that is heavenly and spiritual and Godly. Gods nature and character and authority. Religion will have you think it happens when you go to heaven. Gods word says it happens here and now as we allow Him to sanctify us. The test is here, we conquer in the flesh here and now. Do not be deceived by religion and wait till you pass from this world. Religion is antichrist. The journey to the promised land should have taken the Iraelites less than two weeks. But the people complained and rebelled and sinned and so God caused them to wander around in the wilderness for forty years. Israel leaving Egypt is a picture of the world that we need to leave. We do not want to perish in the wilderness as most of them and we do not want to stay in Egypt either! Our promised land is not physical, it is in Jesus and is in Heaven. If we complain and go into rebellion and refuse to let God lead us out of darkness then we should fear. God is the same yesterday today and forever and His word does not change and either does He. He also is not a respecter of persons.

2Corinthians 7:10 For godly sorrow worketh repentance unto salvation, a repentance which bringeth no regret: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.

Romans 2:4 Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?

Do Not Harden Your Hearts, Repent Continually, Listen To The Holy Spirit.

Hebrews 3

- 7 Wherefore (as the Holy Ghost saith, To day if ye will hear his voice,
- 8 Harden not your hearts, as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:
- **9** When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.
- 10 Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in *their* heart; and they have not known my ways.
- 11 So I sware in my wrath, They shall not enter into my rest.)

The Dangers of Unbelief, through Disobedience and lack of Repentance.

- 12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God. 13 But exhort one another daily, while it is called To day; lest any of you be **hardened through the deceitfulness of sin**. 14 For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end;
- 15 While it is said, To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts, as in the provocation.
- 16 For some, when they had heard, did provoke: howbeit not all that came out of Egypt by Moses.
 17 But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcases fell in the wilderness? 18 And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not? 19 So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief.

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