<u>Colossians 1:9</u> For this cause we also, since the day we heard *it*, do not cease to pray for you, and to desire that ye might be **filled with the knowledge of his will** <u>in all wisdom and spiritual understanding</u>;

1 Corinthians 2:13 Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.

2 John 1:6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

1 John 1:3 For this is the message that ye heard from the beginning, that we should love one another

What we have heard from the beginning is the Word of God. Jesus is the word. And Jesus fulfilled the word. Jesus is the express image of the father. To abide in Him we abide in the Word. His word has not changed with the times or centuries or Millenia. As Jesus walked so should we walk. We abide in the word and we abide in The Spirit.

Hebrews 1 1 God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, 2 Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; 3 Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; 4 Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they.

Jesus walked in love, He came in the flesh being born of Mary, in the flesh he found himself in fashion as a man. Just as Mary was and just as we are. Mary was a chosen vessel just

as we that are of faith are chosen vessels. Mary was righteous because of her faith in God. She bore Jesus and Jesus found himself in the fashion as a man. Jesus though had to overcome his flesh as we do. The meaning of the name Mary is "rebelliousness" and so Jesus had to overcome the flesh as we all must overcome. He had to overcome his human nature and He was tempted just as we are in all things.

Hebrews 4:15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin.

Exodus 34 5 And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. **6** And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, **7** Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear *the guilty*; visiting the **iniquity of the fathers upon the children**, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth *generation*.

<u>Numbers 14:18</u> The LORD *is* longsuffering, and of great mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing *the guilty*, **visiting the iniquity of the fathers** <u>upon the children</u> unto the third and fourth *generation*.

<u>Philippians 2:8</u> And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

Jesus was yet without sin because He was born from above, He was born of the Father, He was born of God. Jesus Father was without sin and iniquity and so through the Father, being He still had to overcome the human nature and carnal mind God, Jesus was without sin. because he was born as man as well through Mary. Jesus had to overcome His human nature that came through Mary just as we do. But the sin of Mary were not passed down to Jesus because iniquity is passed down through the father. Mary and everyone else apart from Jesus Christ himself is born into sin. Jesus Father is God. Our sin and iniquity that we are born into gives the Devil access to destroy us until we believe in Jesus Christ and repent and believe the gospel, and depart from those things that are contrary to God. The Holy Spirit leads us to holiness as we listen to and obey him. Only Jesus is born from above and only in His name is salvation found. We must not let vain religion drag us unto idolatry. The Word of God says Jesus is the way the truth and the life. We must not allow the doctrine of demons to drag us away from eternal life through darkness and deception. The vanities of man are extremely dangerous. The Word of God is The Way, not made up doctrines of men which are inspired by the demonic. God hates idolatry, JESUS is THE WAY. What we heard from the beginning is that through the name of Jesus we have forgiveness of sins. There is no other name under heaven by which we may be saved. Jesus is the shepherd. The Holy Spirit is leading us to holiness, to Jesus image.

John 10:1 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold,

but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

Acts 4:12 Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

1 John 5:1 Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.

The word of God makes it very clear that to **look to** <u>or pray</u> to anyone but God through Jesus is idolatry. Therefore if we pray to anyone **other than God through Jesus Christ**, we have an idol in our heart. It is very clear, apart from Jesus, man is separated from God. We must always look to Jesus and the cross, and our confidence is in his finished work. The only work we have **is <u>mixed</u> with faith**. To look anywhere else for salvation is deception. In fact the Word clearly states that <u>all</u> have gone out of the way. Not one does good, **no not one! Our righteousness**, as <u>every other person</u>, other than Jesus is found in Jesus. By abiding in him. Resting in the Word <u>by faith</u>.

Psalm 53:3 Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; *there is* none that doeth good, no, **not one.**

Romans 3 11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.

12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no, not one.

<u>Psalm 53</u> 1 The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: *there is* none that doeth good. 2 God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to see if there were *any* that did understand, **that did seek God.**

We cannot be found to be seeking **any other name.** Religion can be very dangerous just as the Pharisees and Sadducees found. They were blinded to the truth because they did not love the truth. The little god of this world was able to blind their minds. They wanted vanity rather than truth. They thought they had the truth but they did not.

<u>John 8:44</u> 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.

2 Corinthians 4:4 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.

2 Thessalonians 2:12 That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

Following the vain teachings of man is not receiving the love of the truth, because the truth is what we heard from the beginning. And that is the word of God. The truth saves. Lies and deceptions do not. Jesus Christ saves. He and He alone saves. We can look to none other. None! The salvation of our soul depends on the truth. The cross was born for us by Jesus.

<u>1 Corinthians 1:18</u> For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

<u>2 Thessalonians 2:10</u> And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved.

<u>John 3:36</u> He that believeth on the Son <u>hath everlasting life</u>: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.

John 6:50 This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.

The truth is that Jesus was born of God and so unlike any other man he was without iniquity. Only Jesus was born from above, His Father is God, only Him. Only He was able to fulfill the law because satan had nothing in Him. He was a perfect sacrifice without blemish acceptable to God and because He is eternal, His priesthood and sacrifice is eternal. Unlike the priests before Him who's blood sacrifices were temporal and made no-one perfect but provided a covering for sin. He sacrificed His life so that we could be saved. Life is found in Him alone, we can look to none other than Jesus Christ. We must get our heart right before God so that idols/demons/vanity will not drag us to false hope, false comfort and perdition. Lies do not save, Jesus Christ, the cross, the blood, the power of The Holy Spirit, the truth saves. The power of the Holy Spirit only comes through the truth. Through the name of Jesus Christ alone. No other name!

John 14:30 Hereafter I will not talk much with you: for the prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in me.

John 14:24 He that loveth me not <u>keepeth not my sayings:</u> and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

<u>John 2:24</u> Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. <u>If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.</u>

<u>John 14:23</u> Jesus answered and said unto him, **If a man love me, he will keep my words:** and my Father will love him, and **we will come unto him, and make our abode with him.**

If we keep the sayings of Jesus and we keep HIS WORDS then we abide in the truth and then He will make His abode with us. The testimony of Jesus Christ saves. The One True God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ. It is the testimony of Jesus Christ that we heard from the beginning. He is born of the Father in Heaven. Iniquity was not passed down through an earthly father. His flesh was born of Mary, but he overcame the flesh, He sacrificed the flesh and overcame the flesh nature passed down from Mary. The disciples, apostles, saints all carried the testimony of Jesus Christ and Him crucified. They witnessed the truth. They testified of Jesus.

<u>John 3:11</u> Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and <u>ye receive not our witness.</u>

John 1:18 No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared *him*.

<u>John 3:16</u> For God so loved the world, that **he gave his only begotten Son**, that <u>whosoever believeth</u> **in him** should not perish, but have everlasting life.

<u>John 11:25</u> Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

<u>John 11</u> 9 Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he **seeth the light of this world.** <u>10</u> But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.

satan would have the Word of God perverted. He would change the gospel so as to steal, kill and destroy. Thats what he does. He would have us praying to men or to Mary or to saints, he would attempt to rob us of salvation through the traditions and doctrines of men. He would have us looking to preachers or men of God. We should be constantly checking in the word of God that what we are hearing is indeed found in the word. God uses the Body of Christ and men, through the gifts of the Spirit. Without the Spirit of Truth there is no fellowship with God. It is God that draws each of us. If we seek men we will receive another spirit(whatever he teaches us). There is only one Spirit that leads and guides us and that is the Holy Spirit. He only, empowers believers. Believers on the name of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 11 3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. 4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or *if* ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with *him*.

Galatians 1 1 Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;) 2 And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:

<u>3</u> Grace *be* to you and peace from God the Father, and *from* our Lord Jesus Christ, <u>4</u> Who gave himself for our sins, that **he might deliver us from this present evil world**, according to the will of God and our Father: <u>5</u> To whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.

No Other Gospel

6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: 7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. 8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. 9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

The gospel is very simple and not at all confusing. God sent Jesus for the salvation of each of us who believe the truth. Those that believe prove they believe by walking in faith. The truth is salvation is found in Him alone Jesus Christ. Jesus made the way for the comforter to come to restore fellowship and relationship between man and God. When we abide in Jesus through the Holy Spirit and follow the Holy Spirit, He will lead us to holiness as we obey Him. It is by faith we are saved and so He is always leading us to walk in faith. Other lying gospels and doctrines of demons will lead us to another way that is easy on the flesh. Faith is counter to this physical world. Faith is not natural to us. Another gospel and another way offers us a way to avoid walking in faith. It gives us false comfort. It allows us to depart from following the Holy Spirit. If we do not abide in the Spirit we are under the law. It becomes comfortable to the flesh if there is a way around faith. We cannot avoid faith. We draw near to God in The Spirit of God, The Comforter through faith.

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.

1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

1 Corinthians 1:21 For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.

Romans 8 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

<u>Galatians 3</u> <u>26</u> For ye are all the children of God <u>by faith in Christ Jesus. 27</u> For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <u>28</u> There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus. <u>29</u> And if ye *be* Christ's, **then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs <u>according to the promise.</u>**

So we see the gospel is by faith and faith cannot be avoided. Another gospel attempts to take us away from relationship with God and put us under the law and so under condemnation. The simplicity of the gospel is that it is by faith that we are saved and that not of ourselves, it is a gift. The simplicity of the gospel is that we must simply believe Gods word and walk in the Spirit and the promises of God by faith. The carnal mind always looks for another way, because faith makes no sense to the carnal mind. The carnal mind reasons against faith and the simplicity of it. God says come as a child. A child trusts what his father tells him, without reasoning. Unless the father starts telling the child lies. Then the child begins to doubt. Listening to satan brings doubt, because he's a liar. Gods word does not change and He cannot lie. satan uses religion to depart from the word and offer a way that excludes the need for faith in the unseen realm of Heaven. Remember we are born again and seated with Christ in heavenly places, if we believe. BY FAITH.

<u>Titus 1</u> Paul, a servant of God, and an <u>apostle of Jesus Christ, according</u> to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; <u>2</u> In hope of eternal life, which <u>God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;</u>

Romans 4:13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, *was* not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, **but through the righteousness of faith.**

Romans 9:8 That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these *are* not the children of God: but the **children of the promise are counted for the seed.**

<u>James 2:23</u> And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, <u>Abraham believed God</u>, and it was <u>imputed unto him for righteousness:</u> and he was called the Friend of God.

<u>Genesis 15</u> And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. <u>6</u> And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.

So we see clearly that it is by faith that we are saved and by faith we are made righteous. Abraham believed God and proved his faith by offering up Isaac. We prove we are

believers by walking in faith. Another gospel will offer a way to exclude walking in the Spirit and walking in faith. Faith is in the unseen kingdom of God and in God. Our walk with God requires walking in faith. There is no way around faith! Faith is where the trial lays, faith is where we prove we believe God and not our circumstances. The natural mind and the rebellion that is passed on to us through our fleshly bodies rebels against faith. Another way offers comfort, if we can avoid faith, we have comfort in the flesh. But without faith our soul will be held captive by the flesh. No good thing dwells in the flesh. Salvation comes by faith.

<u>1 Peter 1:7</u> That the **trial of your faith,** being much <u>more precious than of gold</u> that perisheth, **though it be tried with fire,** might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Romans 2:7 To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life:

Psalm 66:10 For you, O God, have proved us: you have tried us, as silver is tried.

Isaiah 48:10 Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver; I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction.

Zechariah 13:9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It *is* my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my God.

Faith is where the trial is and if we do not endure the test, then how will we prove our faith? How will God refine us into vessels of honor? Faith is the instrument by which we are sanctified. If we avoid walking in faith how can God refine us? The trials we come under are what proves our faith. Each time God is asking, "do you believe me, do you believe my word?" The trial of our faith proves we believe God. Like Abraham. We cannot afford not to walk in faith, and we cannot avoid listening to and following the Holy Spirit. If we are not following the Spirit we are found to be trying to follow the law. The law is not of faith.

Romans 9:32 Wherefore? Because *they sought it* not by faith, but as it were by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

Galatians 2:16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

Hebrews 7:19 (for the law made nothing perfect), and a bringing in thereupon of a better hope, through which we draw nigh unto God.

Romans 12:3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think *of himself* more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as **God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.**

Matthew 17:20 And Jesus said unto them, **Because of your unbelief:** for verily I say unto you, <u>If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed</u>, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove; and nothing shall be impossible unto you.

We have each been given a measure of faith. We use that faith to have **faith in Jesus faith.** If we believe in His faith we can remove mountains through Him and not ourselves. **Not relying on our righteousness** or the faith we can muster up, but the faith of Jesus. We believe the promises and **rely on Jesus faith** so that the devil cannot trick us out of believing through double mindedness. If we trust in Jesus faith, we believe we have what we ask. In Him we can move mountains. Of course we are the body and He is the Head so we must be sure we are asking things according to His will. Our hearts must be right.

13 These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

14 And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: 15 And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

We are not under law but disobedience brings unbelief. God is not mocked. Disobedience to the Holy Spirit will bring unbelief and shipwreck to faith. If we do not have a good conscience toward God because we do not obey The Holy Spirit, if we harden our hearts to His guidance, how can He lead us to holiness? The Holy Spirit is always leading us to works of faith. Just as He lead Jesus to works of faith. We must walk as Jesus walked.

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

Beware any gospel that leads away from faith and the True Church of Jesus Christ in which the Holy Spirit is Head. The gifts and the power of the Holy Spirit are evidence of the True Church. In fact the gifts are what the Holy Spirit uses to bring us, the body, into one, and edify itself. The gifts and power are how we defeat the kingdom of darkness. All of satans other gospels and other jesus and false doctrines are desperately designed to lead us away from the power and the gifts, and from the Holy Spirit. He wants us divided from the Spirit and without power or faith.

Ephesians 2 19 Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God; 20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone; 21 In whom all the building fitly framed together growth unto an holy temple in the Lord: 22 In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

- **Ephesians 4 1** I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, **2** With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; **3** Endeavouring to keep the <u>unity of the Spirit in</u> the bond of peace. **4** *There is* **one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling; 5** One Lord, one faith, one baptism, **6** One God and Father of all, who *is* above all, and through all, and in you all.
- 7 But unto <u>every one of us</u> is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.
- 2 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

 10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.) 11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: 14

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

 15 But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 16 From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love.

We know we need faith and must walk in faith. God uses the ministries and gifts to edify His body which is the church which is us. If we walk in faith and seek earnestly after these things and pray earnestly for them, we will find the faith we are looking for and the faith we Must Have. To grow in faith and have confidence towards God, we should desire and pray earnestly for the gifts and ministry we have been given. Seeking to sow to the Body of Christ in order that we reap the body of Christ. All the gifts of the Spirit work by faith and so seeking them earnestly is very important. The word comes not in word only but in power. To leave out the ministry and gifts is another church. Another gospel. Another Jesus. Church without The Spirit leading is a church lead by all sorts of spirits, a church of division and separation and separate from God.

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

James 2

18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works. 19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble. 20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead? 21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar? 22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect? 23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God. 24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.

When we walk in the gifts by faith, our works, of faith, justify us through that faith. But our works are of faith which comes through believing God and the power of the Holy Spirit. We have works of faith by believing for the gifts and walking in them. The gifts operate

through the Holy Spirit and so require faith and the power of the Holy Spirit. It requires faith to get a word of **wisdom from God**. If we share the word given to edify the body, we have then a work of faith. If we **discern a spirit** it is through the Spirit and of faith. Works of faith come through the Spirit of God and not of ourselves. Through the spiritual gifts. These things cannot be done naturally. To work a miracle we need faith and to speak out the command and believe and trust. It is by the power of the Holy Spirit that the miracle is wrought. It is the same for healing and the same for casting out a demon. We each have a part to play in Jesus, in the body, by faith. Jesus Church walks in the gifts by faith and power and through the headship of the Holy Spirit. We must not let another gospel steal the truth. The flesh has no part in faith.

<u>1 Corinthians 2:14</u> But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

<u>Jude 1</u> 17 But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ; 18 How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts. 19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit. 20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, 21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. 22 And of some have compassion, making a difference: 23 And others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

Faith is believing and operating in The Holy Spirit. Listening to and obeying the Spirit of truth and not listening to other spirits. When we fellowship and operate as a body, in the Holy Spirit, and have the gifts operating, we are all kept safer and it is very hard for deception to enter. Because all the gifts operating in the body shine light on the enemy. If we walk in our own ways and in our own understanding, apart from faith then we are gone astray. The church of Jesus Christ operates just like we see in the bible and has not changed. Jesus hasn't changed. The way of faith has not changed.

- 1 Now concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, I would not have you ignorant. 2 Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ye were led. 3 Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and *that* no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.
- 4 Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. 6 And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God which worketh all in all. 7 But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal. 8 For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; 9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; 10 To another the working of miracles; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: 11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.

When we walk in faith, the enemy becomes terrified. satan will present an easy way to divert us away from the truth. His lies allow us to depart from faith. Another gospel is an easy way but not the narrow way. Jesus is the way the truth and the life and it is by faith that we are saved and this not of ourselves it is the gifts of God. The church today should look the same as it did in

the bible. The way it was laid out by the apostles before it was perverted by strange doctrine. Then The Church will walk in the same power Jesus did and the apostles did. Then our enemies will flee.

<u>Jeremiah 46:5</u> Wherefore have I seen them dismayed *and* turned away back? and their mighty ones are beaten down, and are fled apace, and look not back: *for* fear *was* round about, saith the LORD.

<u>Matthew 7</u> <u>13</u> Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide *is* the gate, and broad *is* the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: <u>14</u> Because strait *is* the gate, and narrow *is* the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

Hebrews 13 7 Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of *their* conversation. 8 Jesus Christ the same vesterday, and to day, and for ever. 9 Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines.

Galatians 6:8 For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting.

2 Samuel 22:35 He teacheth my hands to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.

Psalm 68:1 Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him flee before him.

Romans 1:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.